

**Blackout Leather Productions, Inc. Board Meeting**

Sunday, September 15, 2013

Meeting called to order at 1:14 p.m. @ the Catalyst

**BOARD MEMBER ATTENDANCE:**

Tobin Britton, Justin Britton, Brent Seeley, Thom Butts, Dominic Chevalier and boy kevin

Titleholder: Bill Westervelt, Stormy and Dara

Guest: Master Bob

Absent: Gary Klein

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

- Justin made a motion to accept the August minutes with amendments. Dominic seconded the motion and the motion was carried, boy kevin abstained.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Starting balance was: \$8,819.87 August 18, 2013

Deposits / Credits made during the last month included:

8/16/13	Ad Sales	\$50.00
8/19/13	Sponsor Payments Embers & Eagle	\$600.00
8/19/13	OLP Reimbursement Bad Girls	\$5.18
8/28/13	Deviante Monies Raised	\$56.00

Checks written / Debits made during the last month included:

8/18/13	The Embers Contestant Lunch and Spotlight	Check 878	\$150.00
8/18/13	Camp KC God Shave The Queen Payout	Check 879	\$1,232.82
8/18/13	Camp KC Leather Vegas Payout	Check 880	\$210.76
8/18/13	CAP Leather Vegas Payout	Check 881	\$210.76
8/18/13	BiLS Movie Night Payout	Check 882	\$99.00
8/18/13	BiLS Leather Vegas Payout	Check 883	\$210.75

8/18/13	Gary Klein	Check 884	\$270.00
	Reimbursement for R&T Awards and Titleholder Medallions		
8/18/13	USPS	Debit Card	\$30.16
	Postage for Ad Donation Letters & Stamps		

Intuit Fees

8/16/13	\$1.38
9/3/13	\$1.93

Travel Fund Activity:

None this report

The Current Allocation of Funds reflect the following:

Bank Account Balance:	\$7,113.49
Blackout Monetary Assets:	\$6,436.66
Mr. Travel Fund	\$ 267.62
Ms. Travel Fund	\$ 239.21
BB Travel Fund	\$ 170.00

- Brent made a motion to accept the August treasurer's report. Thom seconded the motions and the motion was carried, Justin abstained.

**TITLEHOLDER'S REPORTS:**

Mr. OSL

08/11/13 A Hand Up fundraiser  
08/23/13 Aparphilia Play Party  
08/16/13 Hawks Leather Thursday  
08/23/13 Hawks Leather Thursday  
08/24/13 Deviate mixer/fundraiser  
08/26/13 Talking Kink  
08/29/13 Catalyst Anniversary & Tastings, talked about BiLS and BLP.  
08/30/13 Hawks PDX Leather Thursday  
09/04/13 Discussion with Paul at Q Center about titleholder projects and supporting each other.

09/05/13 Queer Munch  
09/05/13 Pantheon Award Party  
09/05/13 Hawks Leather Thursday  
09/06/13 Scotch and Cigars  
09/10/13 PLA Board Meeting  
09/12/13 BiLS participating in Doernbecher fundraiser.  
09/12/13 Hawks Leather Thursday  
09/14/13 PLM Potluck in Salem  
09/14/13 RACK  
09/15/13 BiLS board meeting  
09/15/13 BLP Board Meeting  
09/15/13 MAsT Board Meeting  
09/17/13 BiLS function  
09/19/13 Fundraiser Chrys' Top Surgery

09/21/13 Deviate  
09/22/13 Portland AIDS Walk  
09/25 13 Queer Leather Dinner  
09/27-30/13 Folsom Street Fair

Ms. OSL

August 11- Victory Brunch at the Marriott

11- Far East Munch-La Cosita in Gresham  
13- Alliance For Safer Communities (ASC)-Police Chiefs Office in Portland  
16-18 Leatherterwoods-Facilitated Educational Discussion-When Your Top Drops  
18- Bad Girls Board Meeting 11 a.m. @ private residence  
18- BLP Meeting @ Catalyst  
20- OLP Meeting @ Catalyst  
22- PgoL Board Meeting- Aparaphilia  
23- Bad Girls Full Moon Friday Discussion  
24- Deviate- The Local  
25- PgoL-General Meeting-Embers  
26- Bad Girls Special Meeting

September 5-SE Munch

5 -Pantheon Party For Tobin @The Local  
7-Sensation Play a@ The Syndicate  
9-breakfast w/Bill and Dara-@ My Fathers Place  
10-Alliance For Safer Communities (ASC)-Police Chiefs Office in Portland  
10-Bad Girls Munch @Bare Bones  
12-SE Munch @ Crush  
13-Hosting meeting w/ cindi in Vancouver  
14-Bad Girls Orientation @ Q Center  
14-Puppy Poker @ Embers  
14- RACK @ The Local  
14- Pirate Night @ The Velvet Rope  
15- Bad Girls Board Meeting @ private residence  
15- BLP Meeting @ Catalyst  
15- Far East Munch-La Cosita in Gresham  
16- Talking Kink-Q Center  
19- SE Munch @ Crush  
19-Chrys' Top Surgery Fundraiser @The Local  
21- Deviate @The Local  
22- Aids Walk  
23- breakfast w/Bill and Dara-@ My Fathers Place  
25- Queer Leather Dinner @ Crush  
26- SE Munch @ Crush  
27-29- Folsom

OSBB

8/11-Victory Brunch  
8/18-Bad Girls board meeting, BLP board meeting  
9/5-Queer Munch, Tobin's Pantheon of Leather celebration  
9/7-Bridgetown Leathermen Dinner and History discussion

9/9-Bad Girls Women's Kinky Munch  
9/13-PDX Bootblack skill share/potluck/photoshoot  
9/14-Bad Girls Safety and Etiquette workshop (led by me) and New Member Orientation and Social  
9/15-Bad Girls board meeting, BLP board meeting

Coming up:

9/16-Leather Women's Social at The Cuff, Seattle  
9/19-Chrys Derwart's top surgery fundraiser--bootblackening  
9/21-Deviante  
9/23-Talking Kink  
9/27-29: Folsom Street Fair, etc. in SF--confirmed blacking at the Exiles party, The Edge, and the Fair. Also attending the titleholders munch on Sunday morning.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Oregon Leather Pride Reimbursements

- The following organizations have not paid their reimbursement to Blackout Leather Productions: CinaKink, ISRC, Oregon Bears, Portland Leatherman, STEEP. The amount owed is by each organization is \$2.59. Justin will send out a reimbursement reminder.

CAP AIDS WALK

- CAP AIDS Walk is Sunday, September 22, 2013. Board members of Blackout Leather Productions are walking in the event.
- Show up at Pioneer Square at 10:00 a.m. The group photo will be taken shortly after 10:00 a.m.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Guest-Oregon Bears, No guest was present.

Guest presentation by Master Bob

- Master Bob presented information about the Master/slave contest. He mentioned doing the event as an Oregon, Oregon/Washington or NW Region contest. He is looking for people who are living the Master/slave lifestyle. The title is an educational title focusing on the Master/slave relationship.
- The contest held in Oregon would be a feeder contest into the NW Region contest.
- Master Bob is looking at a joint venture with Blackout Leather Productions.
- Blackout Leather Productions would be involved by advertising, promoting, publicizing and soliciting contestants for the contest.
- There are three Mast chapters in Oregon and Washington. The contestants would come from other areas of the community and limited to five contestants.
- Master Bob would provide the seed money to get the contest started. He is looking to cover all the expenses for the titleholders or at least half of the expenses.
- The winners of the first year would fundraise money for the following year title winners.
- The titleholders must attend four events in their reining year.
- Contest date would be in conjunction with Sash Bash.

- The contestant interviews would be held in a public forum. Prior to the contest night the contestants would have a ten-minute presentation on master slave relationship. The audience may ask questions.
- On the night of the contest, the contestants would be given a pop question and have to give a two-minute answer.
- The Master/slave Contest is mostly a weekend event. There would be workshops on Master slave relationships. Meet and greet on Friday evening and the contest on Saturday evening. There would be a silent auction at the contest and on Sunday a brunch would be held with a silent auction. The contestants would be required to assemble a silent auction basket.

#### Blackout Leather Production Board Discussion

- What would be the relationship between BLP and the Master/slave contest? What do they want BLP to do? Justin does not want the Master/slave contest to be a part of Sash Bash. Dominic agrees.
- Thom likes the idea of helping with the contest but not fully operate the contest.
- BLP would consider the social aspect of the weekend and Master Bob organize the contest.

#### Coronation 2013

- Dominic made a motion to increase the Coronation ticket budget from \$50.00 to \$65.00 an increase of \$15.00. Brent seconded the motions and the board members present carried the motion; Gary Klein was absent.
- The attire for the evening is high leather.
- Thom is attending the Coronation along with the titleholders. Tobin, Justin, Dominic, and boy kevin is attending as members of BiLs and will be assisting with stair duties.
- BLP will run a half-page ad in the Coronation program. Thom agreed to buy a full-page ad for \$150.00 and donate half of the page to Blackout Leather Productions. The ad needs to be submitted by September 30, 2013. Brent will design the layout of the ad.

#### Sash Bash 2014

- Dominic would like to reinvent Sash Bash. Create a weekend around education, socializing and play. Make Sash Bash relevant and current. More fluid and dirty.
- More people need to be drawn into the events.
- Keep the events simple, have the cigar social and a cigar demo in a casual setting.
- The current Sash Bash has lost itself over time. Tobin mentioned getting back to basics with Sash Bash; remove the fundraising from the weekend. Make the weekend more assessable to the community.
- The committee members, Dominic, Tobin, Brent and boy kevin will meet for a half hour after the October meeting to start formulating ideas on reinventing the 2014 Sash Bash.
- Tobin mentioned a possible name change. "Back to Black"
- The board of BLP wants to keep the brunch on Sunday.

#### Website Hosting

- The web-hosting fee has increased to \$30.00 per month, \$10.00 per domain name.
- BLP has committed to pay for an additional three months and there is one month remaining.
- Justin mentioned "GoDaddy" webhosting. It is \$8.99 per month with 24/7 phone support. Unlimited websites and unlimited Data basis

- Brent mentioned “Squarespace” webhosting. The monthly fee is \$8.00.
- Justin is going to compare and contrast the two web hosting sites and report back to the BLP board.
- A decision needs to be made by the end of October.

#### PGoL Letter

- Tobin read a letter from the Portland Girls of Leather to the Blackout Leather Productions Board apologizing for their member’s rude behavior at the Oregon State Leather Contest in August.

#### Calendar Photo

- Blackout Leather Productions’ photo shoot will be during the October board meeting. The attire for the photo shoot is high leather.

#### **GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

Meeting adjourned at 3:07 p.m.

Next meeting: Sunday, October 20, 2013 at 1:15 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. @ the Catalyst