



**INTERNATIONAL COURT SYSTEM**  
**Fourth Session of Parliament**  
**May 20, 2011**  
**Buffalo, New York, Adam's Mark Hotel**

**ATTENDANCE:**

**Officers Present:**

Prime Minister:	Robert Delgado / Devon DeVasquez
Speaker of the House:	AJ Turner
Interim Executive Recording Secretary:	Eileen Lantree / Crabtree
Executive Recording Secretary:	Eileen Lantree / Crabtree

**Officers Excused:**

Chief Executive Officer:	Queen Mother 1 of the America's, Empress Nicole the Great
Deputy Prime Minister:	Bruce Coddington

**Honorable Members of Parliament:**

<b>Court / City</b>	<b>Member</b>
Alaska	Gene Looman
Buffalo, New York	Christopher Hempel
Chico, California	Eileen Lantree / Crabtree
Colorado Springs, Colorado	Don Lacey
Connecticut	Trevor Reynolds
Corpus Christi, Texas	Adrian Ramirez / Bebe Hughes Bouvier
Dallas, Texas	Ricky Matlock
Denver, Colorado	Sue Anne Hansher
Hawaii	Marshall Tokunaga
Houston, Texas	Bob Bouton
Iowa	Sean Broyles
Las Vegas, Nevada	Martin Deaver
Lexington, Kentucky	Wesley Nelson
London, Ontario, Canada	Elliott Lionheart-Crawford
Massachusetts	Ronald Brankley
Orange County, California	Hope M. Cocherell
Portland, Oregon	Cheryl B. Hall
Reno, Nevada	Larry Mastropierro
Salem, Oregon	Robert Monroe

San Antonio, Texas  
San Diego, California  
San Francisco Ducal, California  
Seattle, Washington  
Spokane, Washington  
Toronto, Ontario, Canada  
Waco, Texas

Jay Henry Smith  
Alana O'Day  
Fred Townson  
Mark Surreal  
Mark Allen Surreal, the First  
Ron Gulls  
Alan Baby Riffin

**Honorable Alternate Voting Members:**

**Court / City**

Chicago, Illinois  
Cincinnati, Ohio  
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada  
Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada  
Hamilton, Ontario, Canada  
Nebraska

**Member**

Richard Clough  
Mike Burke  
L J Steele  
Nathan Boudreau  
Chantal Bourque  
David "Chippy" Allen

**Honorable Alternate Non-Voting Members:**

**Court / City**

Colorado Springs, Colorado  
Connecticut  
Corpus Christi, Texas  
Houston, Texas  
San Antonio, Texas

**Member**

Rick Rhody  
Michael Morgan  
John Nolan  
Susan Hayes  
Ray Palmer

**Courts Not in Attendance:**

Alameda Ducal, California  
Alameda Imperial, California  
Arizona  
Austin, Texas  
Bellingham, Washington  
Boise, Idaho  
Calgary, Alberta, Canada  
Eugene, Oregon  
Everett, Washington  
Fort Worth, Texas  
Fresno, California  
Long Beach, California  
Los Angeles / Hollywood, California  
Minnesota  
Missoula, Montana  
New Mexico  
New York, New York  
Ogden, Utah  
Oklahoma  
Providence, Rhode Island

Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada  
Sacramento, California  
St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada  
Salt Lake City, Utah  
San Francisco Imperial, California  
San Jose, California  
St. Louis, Missouri  
Stockton, California  
Surrey, British Columbia, Canada  
Tacoma, Washington  
Tijuana, Mexico  
Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada  
Vancouver, Washington  
Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

**International Court Council Members and Heir’s Apparent in Attendance:**

Empress Sharon Lantree / Lancaster	ICC Executive Recording Secretary	Chico, CA
Emperor Rob Surreal / Robert Lack	ICC Executive Corresponding Secretary	Spokane, WA
Emperor Mark Campbell	International Court Council Member	Buffalo NY & CT

**Guests:**

Tim Woody, Washington, D.C.

**AUDIO / VISUAL:**

Parliament Officers

**PRESENTATION OF THE COLOR GUARD:**

Flags were carried by Emperor 4, Rich Maynard, Chuck Palmatier and Eli Capone from the Imperial Court of Buffalo, New York

**ANTHEMS:**

An audio version of the Mexican National Anthem was played. The Canadian and American anthems were sung by Empress 19 Coco LaTique /Michael Wah, from the Imperial Court of Buffalo, New York.

**SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE – AJ Turner**

Introduced Interim Executive Recording Secretary, Emperor 17, Eileen Lantree/Crabtree from Chico, California.

Speaker of the House, AJ Turner – I’d like to invite the entrance of the Prime Minister of Her Majesty’s Parliament, Her Excellency, Empress Devon DeVasquez.

**“KISSING OF THE HANDS” – Prime Minister Devon DeVasquez**

Knock on the door. “Her Majesty the Queen, I have kissed the hands of our Queen and she has asked me to form the government and I have accepted.”

## **OPENING OF PARLIAMENT:**

Speaker of the House AJ Turner introduced the members of the International Court Council and Heirs Apparent to Queen Mother I of the Americas, Emperor Mark Campbell of Buffalo, New York; Executive Corresponding Secretary, His Imperial Majesty Emperor Rob Surreal of Spokane, Washington; Executive Recording Secretary, Her Imperial Majesty, Empress Sharon Lantree of Chico, California.

Speaker of the House AJ Turner – Parliament members, please take your seat. Calls on the Honorable Prime Minister

## **PRIME MINISTER'S OPENING ADDRESS:**

“Honorable Members of Parliament, Members of the International Court Council and Guests: It is my honor to stand before you as Prime Minister of Her Majesty's Parliament. I send a heartfelt Thank You to our Queen Mother, Empress Nicole the Great for the confidence you see in me to lead your Parliament. You ALL will have my confidence and strong support over the term of my office as I work to strengthen the foundation of Parliament and protect the integrity on which we stand, the International Court System. I pledge to improve information sharing and prioritization processes across the courts; to identify more offsets to help fund the new initiatives established by the members and to work closely with the International Court Council to ensure the Parliament members voice and goals are fully incorporated in the broader International Court System priorities, in keeping with the vision of the Queen Mother, Empress Nicole.

Parliament is a major step forward in the path-breaking effort to give a voice to the members of all courts. In fact, Parliament becomes “unified through collaborative processes” and characterized by corporate style management and resources. Every court, large or small is an “equal” when it comes to having a voice. You, the members of Parliament, are in the process of establishing clear priorities for analysis and future budgetary requirements to meet them.

I always hear the phrase, how does Parliament benefit me? My objective was to answer that very question. When I accepted the position, I wanted it to be clear that my objective or platform would be “The Future of Our Courts.” I labeled this platform, “The Transition from the Structural Phase to the Cultural Phase.” I believe this session will start to answer that question. The proposed bills are now about your local chapter courts and how we can all benefit from our collective work.

To the courts in attendance, thank you for taking the time out of your busy schedules to be here. It is most appreciated by our Queen Mother and me. To the courts not in attendance, we need you to send representation to our sessions as we need to hear from you. It's a once a year event. We need you! Let me share a bit of a conversation I had with the Queen Mother last night. We were discussing the attendance, and I voiced my concern about being able to conduct business, pass bills and keep the momentum moving forward...she stated to me “in consideration of doing business, it is my hope that the membership would change the scope of having a super majority of the chapter courts of the ICS to having a super majority of the seated chapter courts at any given session.” In this statement, the Queen Mother wants to show her support of the members who made the effort and put the work into “shaping the ICS.” Again, we thank you.

To the committees, thank you for your hard work. As you will all see, the hours dedicated to these committees were remarkable. Great job everyone.

I have a message from our prior Prime Minister, Nathan Page. "I am so proud how the officers and members of Her Majesty's Parliament have continued to work towards seeing this vision through. Looking at the agenda for this the 4th session of Her Majesty's Parliament it's amazing to see just how far Parliament has come. Please know in your heart that the only reason it has made it this far is by the hard work and dedication by its members who share in the belief that the people's voice should be heard. Though I might not be there at the meeting, please know I am there in spirit and though on the sideline I can't wait to see what this great group of people, Her Majesty's Parliament, will do!"

In closing, I want to remind everyone of the current initiatives, The Trevor Project, myGSA (Canada), 68,000 Noble Volunteer Hours and the Harvey Milk Stamp Campaign. Please continue your support and enjoy the fruits of those labors. **YOU DESERVE IT !!!**

NOW...let's get down to business!

Thank you to Imperial Court of Buffalo for being such wonderful hosts. I know what it took to pull this off and I thank you."

### **INDUCTION OF MEMBERS INTO PARLIAMENT:**

Member's Induction into Parliament as conducted by the Prime Minister and Executive Recording Secretary. Courts were introduced in alphabetical order by the Speaker of the House and members received their certificates on stage from the Prime Minister.

### **ADDRESS FROM THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE, AJ Turner:**

"I recently attended a High School conference in San Diego this past February, which was the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference for school counselors and educators. The main focus was to supply information and networking on the current crisis of bullying and teen suicides in schools. Keynote Speaker was the Assistant Deputy Secretary of Education for Safe and Drug Free Schools, his name is the Honorable Mr. Kevin Jennings. He said one thing that really struck me...his quote was, "to whom much has been given, much will be expected." There is much being stated about things getting better and as a result of the work that is being done out there from many organizations and the White House. Part of what we have done here at the International Court System is what we have done for the legacy of Harvey Milk, who was born 81 years ago this Sunday. One of the things Harvey believed in very tremendously was empowering the diversity of humanity and if you look across the aisle and look at each other, you embrace right there in that vision and get a glance in diversity of the humanity we have in our International Court System. What you guys all bring to the table in your jobs, in your own volunteerism and in everything you do is collaborative relationship building. Things that we've been talking about where we reach out to other organizations within our reigns, within our cities and within the International Court System and all of you each have your own brand, mode and style of charisma and that was something that Harvey always found amazing about the people he served in the districts of San Francisco. It was Harvey's charisma that got him on the map and Harvey's charisma that broke down lots of walls and barriers and even behind that charisma and each one of you can attest to your own authenticity for what you believe in. Every one of you is authentic to what we do for this Parliament, for this International Court System because you are here in that collaborative relationship building. Here to move our empire forward.

I'll leave it and talk about a Monarchy and how that works. The Monarchy must at once be the protector of tradition, history and custom and at the same time a symbol of progress, dynamism, vitality and you all

represent that. So we're going to work hard today, we're going to get some business done and the best pride you can offer is working hard at work worth doing."

Speaker of the House AJ Turner proclaims the Fourth Session of Parliament in Buffalo, New York now open to conduct business. First Order of business:

### **EXECUTIVE RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

His Excellency, Interim Executive Recording Secretary, Eileen Lantree:

The minutes of the Third Session held in Fresno, CA 2010, have been distributed electronically therefore will not be read in their entirety. Corrections have been submitted and are as follows:

1. Page 10, mid page reads, "Speaker of the House states that all member shave deliverables..." Change to read, "Speaker of the House states that all members have deliverables..."
2. Page 11, mid page reads, "Mission is to harmonize what we are during..." Change to read, "Mission is to harmonize what we are doing..."
3. Special Session Minutes will be separate and voted on accordingly as they did not happen during the regular scheduled session.

Speaker of the House recognized Honorable member Hope Cocherell, from Orange County, California who makes the motion to accept the minutes of the regular session of Parliament as corrected. Seconded by Cheryl B. Hall, Portland, Oregon. No discussion. Vote by acclamation: No opposing or abstentions. Ayes-ALL. Motion Carried. Minutes are approved and entered.

The Minutes of the Special Session held in Fresno, Ca were read and are included below as corrected:

---

**International Court System  
Special Session of Parliament  
May 15, 2010  
Fresno, California – Holiday Inn Downtown  
Board Room**

Purpose: To address the issue of Denver's bid for hosting the Fourth Session on Easter weekend 2011.

Speaker of the House called the meeting to order at 11:45 pm. There were 34 courts in attendance.

After much discussion and debate, Denver withdrew their bid to host Fourth Session. Houston was next in line as the result of the rank voting. San Antonio, Texas having hosted the Second Session, Houston was asked and graciously withdrew their bid as well. The Speaker of the House, AJ Turner, proposed to accept the bid, Buffalo, NY as host for the Fourth Session.

Motion: to accept the bid presented by Buffalo, NY to host the Fourth Session made by Modesto, CA.

Seconded by: Sacramento, CA

Discussion: None

Vote: 29 in favor with 2 opposed and 3 abstentions

The Queen Mother proposed to give priority to Denver and Houston in the future when determining the date for a future session.

Motion: San Francisco proposed to accept the Queen Mother's proposal

Seconded by: Modesto, CA

Discussion: Alameda asked for clarification of the motion. "Does this mean that the next two sessions will be in Denver and Houston?" "No, the intent behind the proposal is to record what has taken place here and to let the membership know that Houston and Denver have withdrawn their bids and to keep in mind their gracious gestures. The bid process will continue for future sessions."

Question called by: San Jose, CA

Vote: 26 in favor, 1 opposed – Portland, OR, 7 – abstentions – Los Angeles, CA, Corpus Christi, TX, Alameda, Connecticut, Vancouver, Buffalo and Alameda Imperial.

Motion made to adjourn by Minnesota

Seconded by: Iowa

Vote: unanimous

Adjourn at: 12:39 am

## **DEVON DEVASQUEZ**

### **Executive Recording Secretary**

---

Alan Baby Riffin, Honorable member from Waco, Texas, made a motion to vote to accept. Seconded by Hope Cocherell, Orange County, California. Discussion: Speaker of the House recognized the Honorable Jay Henry Smith, San Antonio, Texas stated that correction needed to be made to change, "hosted 2<sup>nd</sup> Session, not 3<sup>rd</sup> Session." Close debate, move to approve with corrections. Vote by acclamation: No opposed, No abstentions, Ayes-ALL. Special Session Minutes approved.

## **ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE RECORDING SECRETARY:**

Due to the resignation of Nathan Page as Prime Minister and the subsequent promotion of the Executive Secretary Devon DeVasquez to the position of Prime Minister, the Queen Mother appointed Emperor Eileen Lantree as Interim Executive Secretary.

The Speaker of the House states the duties of the Executive Secretary are in the current Parliament Guidebook under Section 6, and can be found in the program. He states that the Executive Secretary is to be voted on by the seated members of Parliament and shall serve for 2 years and may be reappointed without term limitations. Speaker of the House read the duties of the Secretary.

Speaker of the House opened it up to the floor to call for nominations:

Speaker of the House recognized the distinguished member from San Francisco Ducal, Fred Townson who made a speech nominating Eileen Lantree / Crabtree from Chico, California. Seconded By Don Lacey, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Speaker of the House recognized the delegate from Corpus Christi, Texas, John Nolan who nominates Bebe Hughes Bouvier, Corpus Christi, Texas. Seconded by Wesley Nelson, Lexington, Kentucky. Nominations were closed. Speaker of the House asked each candidate to give a brief 5 minute campaign speech, which they did.

Recess was taken to count the secret ballots. Due to a conflict of interest, Heir Apparent Sharon Lantree stated she would not be involved in the vote counting, therefore Heirs Apparent Mark Campbell and Executive Corresponding Secretary Rob Surreal tallied the ballots.

Speaker of the House reconvened the session and congratulated His Excellency, Eileen Lantree on her election as Executive Secretary.

#### **COMMENTS FROM THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE, AJ Turner**

Speaker stated that Deputy Prime Minister Bruce Coddington was unable to make it to the session. He also recognized the wide geographic representation of courts that were present: Alaska, Hawaii, Canada, as well as courts from the South, West and East coasts. He recognized Tim Woody from Washington D.C. He further explained that the guidelines and rules of writing and submitting bills were included in the program and briefly went over them. The Parliament Guideline which shows these procedures and others having to do with the business of Parliament are also located on the ICS website.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Copies of the entire report are available

#### ○ **BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE ON CANADIAN AFFAIRS**

Deputy Prime Minister Bruce Coddington was not present to give report, instead Honorable member of Edmonton, L J Steele gave the report on his behalf. Heir Apparent Martin Rooney created a 2-set DVD of last year's session in Fresno. It's divided into segments so that it can be easily reviewed by members with or without Parliament experience. It was sent to all Canadian courts and some select American Members of Parliament. The hope is that those viewing the set will gain a better understanding of the process and relevance of the ICS Parliament. E-mails were sent to the Canadian courts asking if they had received the DVD set and asking for feed-back. To date, they've received no response to that request. Still of prime concern to the Canadian courts is the apparent lack of equality they perceive when voting. Knowing how Parliament works will hopefully alleviate this concern and our hope is that tools like this DVD will help. This DVD may also be used to make newer court members feel more comfortable when participating in future ICS sessions of Parliament.

**Intercourt Communications** - The Canadian courts are being asked to communicate with each other on a regular basis and when at Coronations, Parliament members are encouraged to meet privately and discuss Parliament business. Parliament representatives are also encouraged to meet with the members of their own courts and keep them informed on what's going on and to facilitate a better understanding of Parliament. Our hope is that the Canadian courts come to understand how important Parliament is to the ICS. Our participation is one of the best ways to make sure their voices are heard.

#### ○ **2011 GUIDELINES, POLICIES AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE, Alan Baby Riffin, Waco, Texas**

The Committee was formed during the Third Session of Parliament in Fresno, California and consisted of the Heads of State and delegate Riffin. The purpose was to clarify and update job description overviews for the Prime Minister, Deputy Prime Minister, Speaker of the House and Executive Secretary. Each Head of State helped put their job description together and upon completion were presented to Her Majesty, the Queen Mother for approval. Upon her review, the job descriptions were returned and appropriate changes were made. At this time, the committee presents to you the completed job description overviews for each Parliament Head of State for your consideration and

approval. Upon approval, the final will be incorporated into the Parliament Guidelines book and the revision will be entered as Revision 2011-5.

Motion to accept by Don Lacey, Colorado Springs, Colorado. Seconded by Chantal Bourque, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. Speaker of the House asks for discussion. The Honorable Richard Clough, Chicago, Illinois asked if they could have the opportunity to read them before voting on them. Speaker of the House asked Colorado Springs and Hamilton if they have an objection to tabling the vote until after lunch. No objections. Motion tabled.

- **OPERATIONS FUNDING COMMITTEE, Don Lacey, Colorado Springs, Colorado**

Full text included in the program.

As stated.....The committee has been busy this year concerning the matter of Parliament being self funded and of special concern the costs involved in producing the annual meeting, either to Parliament or the hosting court. In reviewing records from last year regarding mailing of certification forms, bid packets, printing and reproduction of advertisements for the upcoming session, the annual expense was approximately \$750. Regarding the costs of room rentals, food, expenses of guests, Speaker of the House, etc. is very hard to qualify as they change from session to session, due in part to geographical area. The expense is estimated at a cost of \$8,500. Currently the host court and the host hotel incur these expenses and burdens. If Parliament should decide to host these sessions outside the court city, these expenses will rise significantly.

Speaker of the House, AJ Turner stopped the report at this time and reminded the assembly that this is going to be a long and in depth report. He stated, "The stakes are high," and there are going to be a lot of questions, so if you come across something that you have an objection to or need to clarify, make a note or write it down for future discussion. Secondary, we've got to review and set up a system in which to handle incoming funds generated by idea presentations by the fund raising committee to be established. Parliament funds will be handled by the Prime Minister of Parliament working in conjunction with the Treasurer of the International Court Council.

**Committee Chair Don Lacey continued to read...**

Until enough funds are generated to warrant a separate bank account, the ICC Treasurer will manage the accounting of Parliament's money with funds earmarked as such. Second, it will be the Prime Minister's responsibility to collect and reconcile said funds along with the ICC Treasurer. Third, discussion should begin on whether a Parliament Treasurer's position should be established.

Once the structure was put into place, the committee reviewed the next step, fundraising. Polls and surveys were thought to have been sent out to the membership for feed-back and suggestions, but with, "no luck." They discovered that there was a set-up problem with the way they were sending them out, so another e-mail address needs to be set-up so they can be re-sent.

The committee reviewed the issues of budgetary items concerning the business of Parliament and the annual meeting as well as fundraising to meet those needs. It is the Committee's hope that the Fundraising Committee will be formed and that members will commit to joining it and working towards meeting those budgetary needs. It will be everyone's responsibility to help offset the cost of doing business. Financial transparency is extremely important and that we are prudent in how we raise,

spend and report funds. As within our own courts, we have a responsibility to the General Public, ICS and each other.

In outlining the steps we need to take to move forward, we have determined the following:

- ✓ Develop the budgets needed to operate:
  - **ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET**
    - Postage and Handling
    - Printing and Reproduction
    - Trademarked Materials, (medallions, sashes)
    - Contracts and Services, (room rentals, equipment)
    - Travel and Arrangements, (King Father / Queen Mother)
  - **PARLIAMENT SESSION BUDGET**
    - Contracts and Services
    - Travel and Lodging
    - Meals
    - Printing and Reproduction
- ✓ Establish a Fundraising Committee
- ✓ Update Parliament Guidelines to account for funds management / handling
- ✓ Begin Fundraising

Proposed budget was submitted to the floor for consideration, which included:

Membership fee dues of \$5.00 per session to begin in Session 5.

Used to offset expenses of putting on annual session.

If each court assists with funding, smaller courts could have the opportunity to host the session. A \$205 per chapter court fee is proposed to help generate these funds.

The Committee asked the floor to:

- ✓ Adopt the concept of becoming self-funded.
- ✓ Adopt the two budgets needed to fulfill Step 1 of the 4 step process.
- ✓ Update the Parliament Guidelines to include the accountability of funds management.
- ✓ Upon doing so, dissolve the Operations Funding Committee and create the Fundraising Committee geared at developing fundraising initiatives.

Per Don Lacey, *“For Parliament to build into what it is meant to be, **“The Voice of the People,”** all Parliament members need to ensure their Boards, members of the Court as well as their Communities know what Parliament is and why we were founded. Parliament is not just a title to wear. Parliament is there for the betterment of each Court. A way we can all work together in having a say in our future, guiding us in our building of the betterment of each and every court and their Community.”*

Speaker of the House asks for questions:

Recognized Ricky Matlock from Dallas – Our court is not set-up to give money outside our own community. We are in full support of Parliament, but some of our members would see the \$5.00 as a fine.

Speaker of the House stated that the ICC is a non-profit charitable 501©3 Corporation and is the Board of Directors of the ICS, and can therefore receive money/charitable funds as well as give out charitable funds. Money that is held by the ICC can be earmarked for a specific purpose.

Speaker of the House recognized Jay Henry Smith from San Antonio – Doesn't see paying a small fee to the ICS as a problem. Stated that all courts pay, "operating expenses," such as post office box fees, etc. therefore a fee to belong to the ICS, regardless if it was \$250 would be considered as an operating expense.

Speaker of the House recognized Alana Day from San Diego who would like to defer for a point of clarification to the Heirs and are using San Diego's By-Laws as the basis for this comment in hopes that it will clarify for Dallas. Speaker of the House stated that the Heirs are not there, in attendance, so you need to talk to the representative. San Diego is a 501©3, but can create subsidiaries, so wouldn't Parliament be considered a subsidiary of the ICC? Speaker stated that was correct.

Speaker of the House stated that Parliament is encapsulated by the ICC Corporation as being the legislative body of the corporation which provides input to the CEO/Queen Mother as well as the Board of Directors, which is the ICC. "Therefore, as a functioning legislature for the corporation, the opinions of this legislature are then given due right and consideration by the Board of Directors because this is the voice of the chapter courts. This is the voice of the composition of the corporation. So in that mind, the legislature is a portion and does fall under the umbrella of the corporation." He further stated that under the IRS code, corporations can have as many general ledger accounts as they want as long as they make sure the money stays where it's going and are fully accounted for, i.e. money that is in a sub account and earmarked for Scholarship Programs.

Speaker of the House recognized Trevor Reynolds from Connecticut who asked the question if the \$750 was per Parliament member. The Speaker's answer was that the \$750 is the cost of what Parliament has provided to you today, publications, etc. Member Reynolds stated that he was a computer programmer by trade, so could help set-up whatever the committee or anyone else needs.

Speaker of the House recognized Cheryl B. Hall from Portland – Understands that the \$5.00 fee per participant is to start in Session 5, however needs clarification as to the amount of the assessment for each court?

Speaker of the House deferred to the Prime Minister – Answer: "\$5.00 per court once a year equals \$336 in annual membership dues. \$567 in fundraising is asking the courts to raise \$200 annually, so what we did is took the fundraising number at \$200 per court and spread it over a 12 month period and when you add the two numbers for the two budgets together from the fundraising that equals the annual fee of \$200 per court, per year. We just spread the budget because income is not going to all come in, in one month." Portland – The \$5.00 times 67 courts, correct? Answer: \$336.00 is the total in the budget.

Speaker of the House recognized Mike Burke from Cincinnati - Need clarification on the Session budget for travel. Whose travel would this fund be covering or is that an estimate for us or would this fund be actually paying for a member? Speaker of the House deferred to the Prime Minister. Answer: The travel is for the King Father / Queen Mother.

Speaker of the House recognized Larry Mastropiero from Reno – He feels that just as when you run for Emperor or Empress in your own court, you know there are expenses that you need to cover. "I would think that when you accept the position of, (King Father / Queen Mother), you accept the responsibility. We are all about charity, so when we're raising funds for charity, it's not an individual we're giving the money for. So I would think that as far as that goes, this is one of the line items we can certainly discuss, but I think it's one of those things that shouldn't be considered. It shouldn't be the responsibility of the hosting city and it shouldn't be the responsibility of Parliament. It shouldn't be a responsibility of the

ICS/ICC in general. If you wish to have the title and position, you accept the expense that goes with it, just as those of us that are sitting here have accepted the responsibility and expense to attend. So that's one of those things we can do. I mean we can go through this entire thing, item-by-item. Part of what we're talking about, we're talking about fundraising. A lot of us that are in here listening to discussion belong to other organizations and stuff. Perhaps we don't call it a fundraising item, perhaps we don't call it a membership fee, do it as a convention registration fee. You have a member that is going, I know our particular organization has a thing, the court itself cannot give funds for me and/or Parliament, as an individual, I can do a fundraiser and label that's where the money is going for. It can happen and we do need to help these organizations because Coronation, as we all know, can be a money maker or a thing that drives us in the hole." He also stated that there are many courts that wouldn't consider hosting Parliament because they couldn't afford what it costs and it would, "put them in the hole." He further stated they needed to talk about the individual items in the budget, "but as far as the travel, that is one of those items that I know my organization, as well as myself, is firmly against being provided."

Speaker of the House recognized Mike Burke from Cincinnati – Stated there are 67 courts in the ICS and to expect a King Father/Queen Mother, "to pay out of their pocket to travel to as many Coronations as they are requested to, is impossible." He does agree with Reno that the Parliament or the host city should not be paying for the Queen Mother's travel to that event. He feels that the ICC does their own fundraising each year and, "she's part of that" so they should be, "picking up the tab for the travel to their meetings and Parliament sessions. It shouldn't be up to the host city to pay for that."

Speaker of the House deferred to Committee Chair. Answer: Understands the concern that travel is on there, but states that it's a proposed idea the committee came up with and is, "not to say that it is written in stone." "It's a concept that the Committee tried to do and something for you to look at." Details need to be worked out from here. Speaker of the House reiterated the 4 steps, as outlined on the last page of the report.

Speaker of the House recognized Nathan Boudreau from Halifax – "Does that make the ICC the parent organization or non-profit?"

Speaker of the House – "In the US that's two different languages." There is a division between State Law and Federal Law. Under Federal Law, the Internal Revenue Tax Code (IRS)...a corporation is considered tax exempt under the 501©3 Federal Code. Under State Law, the States have the ability to recognize a corporation as a public not-for-profit charitable organization. So those designations come at the State level and the tax exempt status comes at the Federal level."

Speaker of the House recognized Nathan Boudreau from Halifax – The reason he asked was that Canadians cannot donate to a charity outside their own country.

Speaker of the House stated that was an organizational issue that needed to be addressed by the Blue Ribbon Committee on Canadian Affairs.....Regardless of the progress of the bill, any bill, motion or other action that is taken by this legislative body will have to be vetted among the laws and regulations of the various Federal and State structure of the US and the Provincial structure of Canada and adjustments made.

Speaker of the House recognized Bebe Hughes from Corpus Christi - He asked if this was going to be a mandated fee for each organization and/or registration fee for those attending? He also stated that he had no problem with a registration fee.

Speaker of the House deferred to the Prime Minister –His answer was that the \$5.00 fee is for those attending, not for all courts, plus \$200 annually for fundraising. The committee did not take into consideration a, “registration” fee as income. He also stated that his is a proposal, not a binding contract and can be changed or modified as needed.

Speaker of the House recognized Martin Deaver from Las Vegas – He felt that if the fee was just for those attending, and without a head count, the hosting city would still have no idea how many would be attending in anticipating expenses for budgeting purposes. He felt any fees or dues should be mandated for everyone because if it was only paid by those attending, there would still be a deficit in revenue to the hosting court.

Speaker of the House stated that the intent of the proposed budget and revenue was to “off-set” the expenses, not “cover” the entire cost; as he felt any help would be greatly appreciated by the hosting court.

Speaker of the House recognized Martin Deaver from Las Vegas who stated, “My concern is that those courts not having any representation at the session are not incurring any of the costs.”

Speaker of the House recognized Don Lacey from Colorado Springs – “That’s why it was so important when the Secretary was trying to get us to respond to a head count that we respond, so the hosting court has some idea of how many are coming.”

Speaker of the House recognized Marshall Tokunaga from Hawaii – “The host city currently pays for everything, so why are we fundraising to cover expenses for them? We should only be covering the actual expenses Parliament pays out such as printing, etc.” He felt that if Parliament covered all the expenses, then there was no need for a court / city to make a bid to host the session.

Speaker of the House recognized Don Lacey from Colorado Springs – “The idea is for Parliament to be self-funded, not take the funds away from the local community that is hosting us, but to give back to that community in one form or another. This event costs and takes away from money that they could be giving to their community. This will help those communities raise even more money to give back.”

Speaker of the House recognized Marshall Tokunaga from Hawaii – “We are hosting the ICC meeting and we are doing that to get you to come by paying for that meeting. Isn’t that the same reason a court wants to make a bid to host Parliament?”

Speaker of the House asked the question, “How many people have been involved in the court system for more than 6 years? That’s a good majority. Did we have anything like this room you’re in right now 6 years ago? How many people have been involved in the court system for more than 10 years? 10 years ago did we have the existing legislative or directional corporation structure that we have right now? So may I suggest that this is an attempt to change the way we go to business. Today we have many courts who are struggling to increase their membership and raise funds for charity. In the ICS, the annual amounts of

money raised by individual courts can range from \$10,000 to \$125,000. The proposal is a way for smaller courts to host a meeting and possibly change the way the ICS or their community perceives them.”

Speaker of the House recognized Bob Bouton from Houston who stated that the hosting city had to agree to their contract way back based on the number they assumed would be attending. He felt that the organization should be able to pay for itself in the future.

Speaker of the House recognized Wesley Nelson from Lexington - He felt it was impossible to determine exactly how many will show up, but wanted clarification that the monies raised would go to Parliament and be Parliament’s donation back to the host city to help them out with the expenses they incurred.

Speaker of the House recognized Don Lacey from Colorado Springs who stated, “That is correct.”

Speaker of the House recognized Hope Cocherell from Orange County – “We are not going to jeopardize our 501©3 for anybody. If we can word it so that this is a “donation” and there is some benefit to others, not necessarily our own organization members from this, maybe we can make it work.” She did not feel as it was worded that she could vote yes. Her court prevents them from giving money that has a direct benefit to them and she felt that paying for the representative to attend came under that clause.

Speaker of the House stated, “I would like to clarify something. Number one, under tax laws in the United States, every corporation has full right to oversee their expenses as they will. Under the 501©3 IRS tax code, an organization is tax exempt based on their application of how they go to business and their State considers them a non-profit charitable, and so forth. Therefore all courts can have an administrative budget and any other kind of budget.”

He felt that if a court does not prevent money from being given to a non-profit 501©3 outside of their own community, then a check written to the International Court Council, Inc., which is a California public not-for-profit charity organization under the 501©3 IRS tax code to cover these costs, should not be a problem.

Speaker recognized Don Lacey from Colorado Springs who reiterated that this is the start in the process and not a mandate. He also felt that a seminar regarding 501©3’s should be made available to all court Treasurer’s and those interested in learning about it and something we need to learn what’s legal and what isn’t.

Speaker of the House recognized Larry Mastropierro from Reno who stated that wording is important. He further stated that if you go to your Board and ask for a donation to the ICS to attend the session and your court prevents you from giving to someone outside your community then it won’t be possible. However if you pay dues, which most organizations require as part of belonging to that organization, then that’s an operating expense and that’s a legal expense. “We’re headed towards paying dues to belong to this organization and we just have to use the right words.” There was a round of applause to his statement.

Speaker of the House recognized Ricky Matlock from Dallas – “I want to support this wholeheartedly.” However he felt that if dues or fees were costs of doing business, then he could agree to it, but only if all

courts share the same monetary responsibility whether they attend the session or not. He also stated that “dues” should be paid by all courts.

Speaker of the House recognized Cheryl B. Hall from Portland who stated that the proposed \$5.00 fee for those attending is, “ridiculously low and should be higher, especially if based on the number of attendees. For example, if only 5 show up, the cost of the room for the meeting is still the same for 67 or 5.”

Speaker of the House recognized Sue Anne Hansher from Denver – “How are we going to deal with the courts that don’t pay? Are we going to suspend them or what is going to be the procedure? We have to consider this.”

Speaker of the House deferred to the Prime Minister –“This is definitely something that would have to be worked out in Committee.”

Speaker of the House recognized Bebe Hughes from Corpus Christi who stated that he felt that if they did implement fees to attend, that might encourage more attendance, even at \$10.00. He feels that if the courts have already paid those fees, then it might encourage them to make sure their representatives attend.

Speaker of the House recognized David “Chippy” Allen from Nebraska who stated, “I don’t mince words. I call it as I see it. We are under the umbrella of the ICC and I see tons of empty chairs in this room. We are only asking for one person from each of these courts to come here. Why are they not making it happen? Why do they have the privilege to use the ICC name if they are not making it worthwhile and representing themselves here? I think the dues idea is a great idea and if they are not going to pay them and we should start considering and this probably needs to be referred to the Heirs about suspending charters. If you’re not going to be active, then what’s the point? Have your own little chapter and organization, but don’t say you’re involved with us if you’re not.”

Speaker recognized Mike Burke from Cincinnati who stated that he doesn’t see them taking the time of going line-item-by-line-item approving the budget, so he requested they focus on the actual bill submission, itself.

Speaker of the House recognized Larry Mastropierro from Reno who stated that if you want the ICC name attached to your court, then you need to pay annual dues. He stated that it costs to put on this meeting and not every court is willing to or can pay the extra \$8,500 dollars it cost to host this meeting. He stated that if you charged a \$100 per ball ticket, you would have to have 85 people over and above what you would normally have attend to cover the additional expense of hosting the meeting. He also stated that people do understand that registration fees are necessary to attend a seminar or meeting due to overhead expenses of putting it on. He also feels that Parliament should not be paying for the King Father and Queen Mother to attend the meeting and that whether or not a court pays for them to attend their coronation is a separate issue and that they have every right to spend their money on that expense if they so choose. This should be looked at as a business adventure and the semantics and details need to be worked out.

Speaker of the House stated, “There is a distinct difference between the “Titular Head’s” State Visits versus their contractual obligations to run the ICC Council, Board of Director’s meeting as well as Parliament”.

Speaker recognized Don Lacey from Colorado Springs who read the entire bill at this time.

- **PARLIAMENT OPERATIONS FUNDING, Authored by Colorado Springs, co-sponsored by Corpus Christi, Nebraska, Alaska and Reno**

The “Parliament Operations Funding “ sub-account is being created in order to properly account for the necessary funds for daily operations and to alleviate the potential financial strain upon a Court/Community that would potentially be hosting the annual Parliament Session.

The cost of hosting the annual Parliament meeting, currently held at a voted upon host city in conjunction with their Coronation events, may be prohibitive to some Courts/Communities. Many Host Courts/Communities depend on recouping their expenses from Parliament members attending their events although attendance is not required of those members.

The expenses of Parliament would be twofold: (1) Administrative costs; and (2) Session costs. The “Administrative Budget” will effectively account for all expenses associated with daily business operations. The “Session Budget” will account for additional funding, outside the selected host Court’s budget, to assist in offsetting the costs of the annual Parliament Session.

The funds raised through Parliament will be managed directly by the ICC Treasurer (as defined in Article 5, Section 10 of the International Court Council, Inc. By-Laws, Rules and Regulations). A sub-account shall be created under, “Parliament Operations Funding.” It will be the Prime Minister’s responsibility to collect and reconcile said funds along with sending said funds to the ICC Treasurer. The ICC Treasurer shall provide a full financial report to the Council at every regular meeting along with a monthly report to the Prime Minister so he can reconcile with his reports and report to Parliament members. The “Parliament Operations Funding” sub-account will be divided into the following categories: (1) Administrative Budget; and (2) Session Budget.

The “Administrative Budget” will effectively account for all expenses associated with daily business operations of Parliament, i.e. operation resources, costs involved with Parliament Officers and Queen Mother/King Father’s assigned duties, Parliament Regalia & Corporation Property, (medallions, sashes, trademarks and/or services, etc.).

The “Session Budget” will account for the additional funding, outside the selected host Court’s budget to assist in the costs of the annual Parliament Session. These costs include, but are not limited to: meeting rooms, food/beverages, VIP requirements, etc.

Motion made by Don Lacey, Colorado Springs. Seconded by Reno. No further discussion. Vote by acclamation. No Opposed, No Abstentions, Ayes-ALL. Parliament Operations Funding Committee has been created and the bill shall be presented in Session 5.

#### **COMMENTS FROM THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE, A J Turner**

He stated that the report from the Membership Committee was not submitted in time and the Chair had been removed. He further stated he was looking for a new Chair and if anyone was interested, they should contact him or the Prime Minister.

Speaker of the House stated that when the Queen Mother originally created Parliament, it was thought that all 68 courts would be seated at the table at the same time. She realizes that's not always going to be a possibility. However the Guide Book is written addressing a, "Super Majority" of the possible chapter courts within the ICS. That equates to 65% of all the chapters within the ICS. "What the Queen Mother would like to do is change that so that it's a "Super Majority" of the members seated at any given session." For example, if there are 50 seated members, 65% of the number 50 would become the "Super Majority."

Speaker of the House explained what a resolution is. A resolution, "resolves" how the body assembled chooses to move forward to do business. Currently, the way the Guide Book is written regarding a "Super Majority," there is no way to pass any bills during this session. "I would like to ask if this body resolves that the number for a "Super Majority" is based on the "Super Majority" or 65% of those in attendance, rather than the totality of the courts in the ICS?"

Motion made by Bebe Hughes of Corpus Christ, Texas to change Super Majority to 65% of seated body. Seconded by Ricky Matlock, Dallas, Texas. No further discussion. Vote by Acclamation. No Opposed, No abstentions, Ayes-ALL.

Motion made by Cheryl B. Hall from Portland to adjourn for lunch. Seconded by Jay Henry Smith from San Antonio, Texas. No further discussion. Vote by acclamation. No Opposed, No Abstentions, Ayes-ALL. Meeting adjourned for lunch.

#### **Fourth Session of Parliament reconvened at 1:00**

- **2011 TRIFOLD / MISSION STATEMENT COMMITTEE, Chair Ron Wersal, Forth Worth, Texas**

Presented by Alan Baby Riff, Waco, Texas

The Committee was tasked with completing a trifold to advertise, promote and educate the general public as well as members of the International Court System on Parliament. With the passage of the Mission Statement occurring at the Third Session of Parliament in Fresno, CA, we felt the trifold should contain:

- ✓ Parliament Logo
- ✓ Date established
- ✓ A statement of the Queen Mother's vision
- ✓ Mission Statement
- ✓ Advertisement of the next session, (modifiable as it ages)
- ✓ Brief explanation of the duties and responsibilities of the MP's and AMP's
- ✓ Chapter Court listing
- ✓ Contact Information
- ✓ Link to the Parliament Guidelines, (public site)
- ✓ Information on how to update member information on the website

The proposed, official publication is submitted to you for your consideration. Speaker of the House stated that there some spelling errors that need to be corrected.

Speaker of the House recognized, Cheryl B. Hall from Portland, Oregon who moves to accept the trifold with any corrections that are necessary. Seconded by Alana Day from San Diego, California. No further

discussion. Vote by Acclamation, No Opposed, No Abstentions, Ayes-ALL. Motion passed. Parliament now has an official trifold.

- **FUNDRAISING IDEAS COMMITTEE, Wesley Nelson, Lexington, Kentucky**

“Based on the continued efforts of the Fundraising Ideas Committee to share information and strengthen the fundraising initiatives of ALL COURTS within the ICS, we now turn our focus to the topic of acquiring sponsorships.

Sponsorships can be an excellent means to bring in revenue which can take the pressure off membership, donations and sales – and if done properly – can also help to market your group to a wider audience. Sponsorships are not meant to replace typical fundraising efforts, but more so to add additional revenue. They also help to build strong connections between Courts and their local business community that can result in long-lasting philanthropic partnerships.

Acknowledging that various courts within the ICS are registered as different entities according to their government’s guidelines, we encourage courts to consider the act of acquiring sponsorships as a business transaction. It is extremely common practice for sponsorships to be given in “trade” for advertising and other such opportunities which are particularly beneficial and appealing to local and national businesses.

PHASE ONE of this initiative consisted of submitting a fact finding survey to members of Parliament to obtain data on the ICS’ current use and knowledge of sponsorships. Out of the 66 courts currently listed on the ICS website, the committee received only 10 responses. I would like to personally thank those courts for their support and participation:

Reno	Denver	Nebraska
Modesto	Edmonton	Minnesota
Connecticut	New York	Kentucky
Las Vegas		

This disappointing statistic of 10 out of 66 courts only becomes more so when we observe the commonly held standard of an average return on a sponsorship campaign being only 10%. This brings to light an issue that directly correlates to the success rate of acquiring sponsorships. This process takes long term planning, dedication, and diligence to be successful. Establishing a strong sponsorship program does not happen overnight. However, if properly executed, forming a sponsorship program within your court will be a daunting, yet extremely rewarding process.”

First 7 pages of a 40 page informational packet included as part of the program. The entire report can be obtained from the ICS Website under, “Parliament.”

- Sponsorship: How to get it and how to keep it
- Sample sponsorship proposal packets
- Sample sponsorship request letters
- Sample sponsor benefits lists
- Sample sponsorship agreement forms

The courts of Las Vegas, Connecticut, Edmonton, Rhode Island, New York and Kentucky have all offered to share samples of past and present sponsorship materials. One court raised over \$125,000 and 1/3 of that reign's total came from sponsorships in the form of cash. He stressed that getting sponsorships takes commitment to a Sponsorship Program, time and follow through. This is what he does for a living.

David "Chippy" Allen from Nebraska – Instead of doing a drag show, just before Christmas the court sent out a flyer asking for donations to people they were affiliated with and raised over \$8,000 for our scholarship program. Warren Buffet and Hillary Clinton's offices were among the donors.

Speaker of the House - No need for a formal vote on this. It's for informational purposes. That concludes Committee reports.

Speaker of the House – The proposed Parliament trifold is complete pending the adoption of a Mission Statement by the International Court Council. He asked that the Parliament trifold be brought up during the August, 2011 ICC meeting in Hamilton. He further asked that the ICC begin working on the Mission Statement and that a, "resolution of that Mission Statement be accomplished by the end of the October, 2011 ICC meeting in Hawaii." "It is now out of the hands of Parliament and into the hands of the ICC." He further stated that they have a deadline and things they need to do. Corrections to the current proposed trifold will be made and things will continue to be added as more trademarks and styles come into the International Court System, i.e., Women's Conference, Transgender, Jose Honors, etc. etc.

#### **Speaker of the House - Revisit Guidelines Committee:**

Stated that everyone has had time to go over and review the Parliament Officer Job Descriptions.

Discussion: Speaker of the House recognized Richard Clough, Chicago, Illinois. Question regarding the 4 year term limit, which can be reappointed without term limits. "Doesn't that perpetuate that individual for a very long time?" Speaker of the House deferred to the Prime Minister. Answer: It is, but after the 4 year term, the Queen Mother can reappoint that person for another 4 year term, but there is a yearly evaluation that occurs which could end that term at one year, two years, etc.

Speaker of the House recognized Larry Mastropierro from Reno: He's under the impression that term limits were also going to be discussed, not during Parliament, but elsewhere regarding term limits for the King Father / Queen Mother which could also affect that. So the new throne could decide they want to replace that position.

Speaker of the House recognized Ricky Matlock, Dallas, Texas: When the President appoints a Chief Justice that term goes on after his.

Speaker of the House recognized Cheryl B. Hall of Portland Oregon: Questions over which officers were appointed and which ones were elected when first established, especially the Speaker of the House.

Speaker of the House suggests that they change the Speaker of the House to state: 4 year election and may be elected without term limits. Portland agrees. Speaker of the House asks Waco if that is acceptable. Waco responds in the affirmative. So changed. Same will be for the Executive Secretary except to be a 2 year term, not 4 year.

Speaker of the House recognized Don Lacey, Colorado Springs, Colorado: Question as to term limits regarding those responsible for handling funds as proposed by their committee. Would this also be a requirement of the Deputy Prime Minister as well? Defer to the Prime Minister: Currently the Deputy Prime Minister would not have any responsibility to funds transactions. Currently, responsibility will fall to the Prime Minister as you will always have a Prime Minister in attendance, but not necessarily, as in the current session, a Deputy Prime Minister present. Also stated that he sits on the ICC as well as serves as Prime Minister.

Speaker of the House – Wants the assembly to understand the distinct role the Prime Minister holds both for Parliament and the Queen Mother as well as the appointment on the International Court Council. “The Prime Minister is in fact executing the wishes and administrative management of the, “Titular Head” of the International Court System through Parliament. The Prime Minister conducts a lot of business and so forth. The Prime Minister’s role on the ICC is to be directly reflective of the wishes of Parliament and represent Parliament’s interest in any Council deliberations. He and the Deputy Prime Minister work for the, “Titular Head” to preserve the interests of the people; one avenue is Parliament by running the administration and management; the other avenue is the ICC by ensuring the voice of the people is on the ICC.

Speaker of the House recognized BeBe Hughes Bouvier from Corpus Christi, Texas: Question regarding expenses...is that assuming there’s a budget or where are these expenses being reimbursed from? Speaker of the House deferred to Prime Minister. Answer: That would mean there would be a budget put in place that we currently do not have. Expenses we’re occurring right now as a Board are for the copying, mailings, postings and what have you. If it’s going to cost over \$100, I have to go to the ICC Treasurer and put in a funds request, at which time, I can be approved or denied. We wrote into the guidelines that the Prime Minister can have up to \$100 without going through the steps of having it approved by the ICC. It’s like, “petty cash.” So the funds do come out of the ICC? Answer: Yes they do, in fact it states in the Program that, “This booklet was subsidized by the International Court Council.” When we become self-funded, we will be responsible for these expenses.

Speaker of the House recognized Larry Mastropierro from Reno: If this is truly supposed to be the People’s Parliament, is there any provision in the future for the 2 heads of Parliament to be elected by the people?

Speaker of the House deferred to the Prime Minister: This is Her Majesty’s Parliament and we are assembled here at her request and we can be disassembled at her request, as well. Originally, all the Parliament Officers were appointed by the Queen Mother. In Session Two, a Proclamation came out where the Speaker of the House and the Executive Secretary were to be elected. So we have two positions that are elected and two positions that are appointed, so there is no provision at this time for that to change. Whereas the Prime Minister and Deputy Prime Minister work for the Queen Mother, the Speaker of the House and the Executive Secretary work for all of you.

Speaker of the House recognized Nathan Boudreau of Halifax: Points out a mistake that the Prime Minister states 2 years instead of 4 and was that a mistake? Speaker of the House deferred to the Prime Minister: States that’s actually a mistake and says that in the old guidelines, but not in the new; and the intent is a 4 year term. Halifax points out that the 2010 guidelines states 2 years, not 4 and needs to be changed. Speaker of the House advises that the Prime Minister is a 4 year term by Proclamation of Her Majesty.

Speaker of the House recognized Mark Surreal from Seattle: In Fresno we elected you for a 2 year term? Answer: Yes you did, so in Session 5, I would stand for re-election to a 4 year term under the new guidelines.

Speaker of the House recognized Alan Baby Riffin, Waco, Texas: As it stands, at our last session, we did elect the Speaker of the House to a 2 year term, which is how the current Guidelines stand. Motion is: to propose that we move forward with the new guidelines which will actually take effect in Session 5 where there would actually be an election for the Speaker of the House for the new term of 4 years. Seconded by Colorado Springs, San Diego and London. Open for discussion: Dallas: This works out well as it offsets the Prime Minister's and Speaker of the House's terms. Halifax: Would like to make an amendment that the Prime Minister and Speaker of the House serve a 4 year term and the Executive Secretary and Deputy Prime Minister serve a 2 year term. Waco accepts the motion and Colorado Springs, San Diego and London accept the amendment as well. Discussion: Reno: Should it say alternating, so that all elections don't happen all at once? Suggests that the Speaker of the House and the Prime Minister be elected two years apart and the Deputy Prime Minister and the Secretary could be elected every other year. Dallas: The Queen Mother could appoint the Prime Minister to a second term without term limits, so it would make it more difficult to alternate the terms at that point, unless it specifies that it states that the next term be for only 3 years. Speaker of the House states that alternating may not work, so they should leave it as it stands that they are re-elected as their term is up. Portland calls the question. Acclamation by voice vote. No opposed, No abstentions, Ayes-All. Motion passed.

## **BILLS**

- **ICS INTERNATIONAL SUMMIT, Author is unknown, but is co-sponsored by Alaska, Kentucky, Houston, Dallas and Waco. Presented by Prime Minister, Devon DeVasquez**

Provide an annual event to promote, educate and conduct ICS business. Provide an event which will educate, organize and create a united force to advance the interests of all members and promote fraternal spirit among its members.

"The ICS shall conduct an annual event known as, "The ICS International Summit." This summit will be hosted in the elected city of a Parliament Session two years prior. The nominated host city will submit proposals during the Parliament Session of the International Summit and the successful bidder will be awarded based on a secret ballot election of all Parliament members in session at that time. The International Summit will consist of an Opening Ceremony to include a Keynote Speaker, an ICC Council Meeting, Parliament Session and educational seminars held during the multi-day event. An Awards Session/Dinner including, "Jose Honors" will be held quinquennial."

Speaker of the House recognized Larry Mastropierro from Reno: How do you do an annual event that has an awards banquet that only happens every 5 years. Prime Minister: It's not an annual event. The verbiage is designed to go to committee to work out the details to produce it. This is the concept we want everyone to buy into. You don't have to have a Jose Honors every year. Speaker of the House states that there could be a Women's Conference, Youth Conference, and Transgender Conference on alternate years, etc. Alan Baby Riffin from Waco Texas makes the motion and Reno seconds. No discussion. Vote by acclamation: No opposed, No abstentions, Ayes-All. Motion passed. The ICS Summit Committee is formed. They will find a committee chair and move forward.

○ **CHAPTER SCHOLARSHIPS, co-sponsored by Waco, Las Vegas, Corpus Christi, Seattle and Portland Presented by Prime Minister, Devon DeVasquez**

“Many chapter courts have active scholarship programs and have been successful maintaining them, but some do not and have asked for specifics on how to start a scholarship program. This committee will gather information needed and present suggestions and ideas on how to establish and maintain a scholarship program. This will serve as a guide only and is not intended to place restrictions or controls for establishing or managing a scholarship program.”

**Scholarship Program Guidelines:**

- ✓ **Naming** – Pick a name for the Scholarship Program
- ✓ **Eligibility Criteria** – There must be criteria that would differentiate one qualified applicant from another, and not limit the applicant by race, gender, or religion. For example, all graduating seniors for a local school system meet the public criteria; whereas, applicants who are all part of the same family does not. The criteria must be disclosed to the public and the basis of the selection clearly defined.
- ✓ **Award Period** – Some scholarships are one time awards for which previous winners may or may not be allowed to re-apply. Others are renewable based on certain criteria, (such as satisfactory academic progress or continued performance ability).
- ✓ **Compliance** – Make sure the scholarship program is being established and operated within the boundaries of state and federal law, including Internal Revenue Service regulations and Charitable Acts within your nation.
- ✓ **Sufficient Publicity** – There must be sufficient publicity so that a reasonable person might presume that the public listed above would know about the proposed award before it was made and have a chance to apply if qualified. It is required that you publicize the program in your community by contacting local newspapers or utilizing other public media. This can be by ads, radio, TV announcements, the Internet, bulletins, posted notices for flyers.
- ✓ **Application Process** – Create an application for consideration.
- ✓ **Actual Competition** – There must be a bona fide attempt to have an actual competition. We need to know and have before us the applications for all those who were not selected as well as those who were selected.
- ✓ **Selection Committee** – The Selection Committee should be made up of a group of objective individuals, who may not be related to any applicant by blood, marriage, adoption, employment, or business relationship, nor can they be a relative or spouse of the local chapter member, or Board of Directors.
- ✓ **Presentation Ceremony** – Should be at your annual Coronation Ball.

Motion to take this to committee by L J Steele from Edmonton and seconded by London. Acclamation vote: No opposed, No abstentions, Ayes-All. Motion passed to form new committee.

○ **ELECTRONIC VOTING, presented by Speaker of the House, AJ Turner**

This subject was first brought up in San Antonio and again in Fresno for discussion. It's come to our attention that there was some critical information that was missing in the expression of the findings of this committee at the Fresno session. At the time it was determined that electronic voting would not work for our organization, so we decided to kill the committee. I'd like to bring this back up for consideration under both Canadian Law and United States Federal Law, with a lot more due diligence in

looking around all the regulations or policies or resolutions that corporations and societies operate under in regards to voting. Therefore, I'm reinstating the committee and would like to hear from anyone that wants to participate.

- **501©3 SOCIETIES EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE, co-sponsored by Orange County, Nebraska, Halifax, San Francisco Ducal and the Texas Riviera, Corpus Christi. Presented by Prime Minister Devon DeVasquez**

"Establish a comprehensive committee dedicated to compiling information needed to educate the members of the International Court System on 501©3 Rules, Rights, Privileges and on the Canadian Societies Rules, Rights and Privileges."

Motion made by Don Lacey from Colorado Springs, Seconded by Lexington. Acclamation vote: No Opposed, No Abstentions, Ayes-All. Motion passed. Committee is formed.

- **COMMUNITY ISSUES, co-sponsored by Portland, Nebraska, Halifax, Houston and Corpus Christi. Presented by Prime Minister, Devon DeVasquez.**

Exploratory committee with the intent to correct.

"Establish a committee to gather, review and present suggested changes to help overcome / combat issues plaguing our local communities. The committee will be challenged with outreach, information gathering and reporting to the Parliament membership."

Information sharing. Communities in different areas and regions may be going through what a community in another area has already and could provide useful information to assist with creating change locally.

Motion made by Alana Day from San Diego, Seconded by Corpus Christi. Acclamation vote: No Opposed, No Abstentions, Ayes-All. Motion passed. Committee is so formed.

- **KING FATHER / QUEEN MOTHER PARLIAMENT RATIFICATION, co-sponsored by Waco, Corpus Christi, Seattle, Portland, and Alaska. Presented by Prime Minister Devon DeVasquez**

Queen Mother 1 of the Americas made a Proclamation at the Third Session in Fresno that the next King Father / Queen Mother must be ratified by Parliament.

Provide a method for ratification of a King Father and Queen Mother of the International Court System. Provide a democratic process to ratify a King Father and Queen Mother to the International Court System.

"The following process steps will be followed by Parliament to provide ratification of proposed King Father and Queen Mother.

1. The ICC President will present the names of the proposed King Father and Queen Mother to Parliament in the form of a motion.
2. At the current session of Parliament, the nominees will be given 10 minutes each to address the Parliament assembly.

3. After both nominees have spoken, a question and answer session will occur for a maximum of 1 hour.
4. Caucus may be called by any Member of Parliament prior to a call for question of the motion.
5. At a call for question or no further discussions an election will be held by secret ballot. No proxy voting will be allowed.
6. A teller committee consisting of three members of the hosting court who are neither a member of the ICC or Parliament will tabulate the ballots and report the results to the current ICS Monarch(s).
7. Each nominee must obtain a majority of the cast ballots individually."

Allan Baby Riffin from Waco, Texas made the motion, Massachusetts seconded. Point of order made that the Speaker of the House did not call for discussion. Speaker of the House calls for discussion.

Speaker of the House recognized Don Lacey from Colorado Springs. Per #2, "That's a whole year as I understand this verbalization. Speaker deferred to the Prime Minister with the suggestion that needs to be changed. I will entertain a change in wording from the floor. Don Lacey from Colorado Springs makes a motion that it be changed to read: "At that meeting the ICC President makes the motion of two candidates for King Father / Queen Mother at that session." Prime Minister suggests for #2: "At the session of Parliament or at the current session of Parliament, the nominees will be given 10 minutes to address the assembly. Will that suffice?" Colorado states, "That would suffice, my other question as we're looking at it; is the ICC President warned of his requirement to make that trip to Parliament?" Prime Minister states that as a member of the council as well, he knows, "the ICC is currently working on their ratification procedures as well and will make sure that I put it under advisement to the rest of the council that it needs be included in there."

Speaker of the House has point of clarification to make in regards to the ICC President presenting those names.

1. If the current ICC President is a nominee for that position, said individual cannot present that name, so it would then fall to the first or second Vice President. Again, if those individuals have their name(s) on the list it would go down the Chain of Command.
2. In #1 you say that the ICC will make that in the form of the motion. The ICC does not have the power to make a motion in this assembly. The Committee needs to discuss who and how that's going to work and the wording, but it won't be as currently stated in the bill.

Speaker of the House recognized Richard Clough of Chicago. He agrees that the ICC President does not have the power to make a motion. Speaker of the House recognized Don Lacey from Colorado Springs: "Can the Prime Minister present the names?" Speaker of the House: "He can present the names, but he can't make a motion either." Don Lacey from Colorado Springs proposes the following: "The Prime Minister would propose the names and Parliament, as the governing body, would make the motion to accept those names or not as the first step in the process." Speaker of the House agrees with that wording. Comment from Ricky Matlock, Dallas, Texas: "Parliament is going to be given a list of names. Is that correct?" Speaker of the House: "Hopefully there will be more than 2." Dallas: The verbiage states 2 names, so is there going to be more than 2?" Prime Minister and Heirs Apparent state that their understanding is that there will only be 2 names.

Speaker of the House: "We're going to have to consult with the ICC By-Laws because this is all so fresh and new. That does not prevent the assembly from moving forward to send this to Committee if the assembly and motioner, (Colorado Springs) and seconders, (San Diego and Massachusetts), agree to it pending confirmation from the ICC. To the Heirs: "How soon can you get an answer?" Colorado Springs: "It's my understanding that the ICC will go through their process first and pick one name for each position and those are the two names that would be submitted to Parliament and Parliament would either ratify them or not." Speaker of the House recognized Alana Day from San Diego: "If we decline the names that are submitted, then it goes back to the Council." Speaker of the House recognized Trevor Reynolds from Connecticut: Does the ICC necessarily have to give us just one candidate for each position? Is it a possibility that we could get more than one?" Speaker of the House speaks with the Secretary of the ICC, Sharon Lantree and she states that one name for each position will be submitted for consideration. Speaker of the House states that if Parliament rejects one or both names that it goes back to the ICC to pick new candidates and she stated, "Yes." Speaker of the House recognized Martin Deaver from Las Vegas who asked, "When the ICC presents the names, and if Parliament rejects them, do we have to wait another year?" Prime Minister replied, "Yes." Speaker of the House recognized Alana Day from San Diego: "In the essence of saving time, being a whole year, can we request from the ICC that they submit 2 names per title for consideration? Prime Minister: "We can put in a request on behalf of Parliament, but it would be up to the Queen Mother to accept that request or not." Speaker of the House recognized Sean Broyles from Iowa: "It appears that by the submission of one name that the assumption is that Parliament will automatically accept. It seems to be a lot of lip service, by the people for the people. I would like to see more transparency or some other options considered. Speaker of the House recognized Bob Bouton from Houston: "The issue I'm having is that the name of the bill is, "ratification" which means they give us one name for each. We don't get a list and we don't get to choose that person. We don't have that power. We either accept the names or not. So if we say no, then the committee needs to build in something that states in the case of a rejection, where we go next." Speaker of the House recognized Larry Mastropierro from Reno: "Under normal circumstances, the Queen Mother would be here and since she would be here, she could submit another name and that could be built into the procedure. Are there any provisions for Parliament to meet for a Special Session?" Speaker deferred to the Prime Minister: "What if Parliament requests that the Queen Mother have a back-up in case of rejection. Would that please the chamber? I will present that to the ICC for consideration." In response to whether or not Parliament can meet more than once a year. Answer: "Yes that is definitely an option." One example is when the next meeting would be held, depending on who won the bid and when that meeting would take place. Speaker of the House recognized David "Chippy" Allen from Nebraska: "How is this going to affect her decision to name a King Father in January?" Speaker of the House answer: "That request has been withdrawn at the behest of the Founder. That's off the table." Speaker of the House recognized Wesley Nelson from Lexington, Kentucky: "In a request for more than one name, I suggest we not use the term, "Back-up." "It sounds like that person is the second choice."

Heirs Apparent made a telephone call to the Queen Mother to clarify questions asked as to how many names will be submitted for each title. ICC Secretary Sharon Lantree reported that after speaking with the Queen Mother, she stated that there will be one name submitted for each position.

Speaker of the House: BeBe Hughes of Corpus Christi calls the question. Acclamation vote: No, Opposed, No Abstentions, Ayes-All. Motion passed, Bill goes to Committee.

## **OPEN FLOOR DISCUSSION / COMMENTS:**

Speaker of the House – Wants to clarify the role of the Primary delegate and the Alternate delegate. Each chapter court has 2 spots in the legislature. The difference is that the Primary delegate is the one who casts the votes on behalf of the chapter court. If everyone was present, there would be 143 delegates, but only 67 of those could vote. However, if you are the Alternate delegate and you are the only one present, then you are the voice of your court and would be the one to cast the vote. Alternate delegates or any Member of Parliament can be on a committee or Chair a committee. The composition of committee members can be anybody. Therefore if there are members in your chapter court that would like to serve on a committee, they can. There are no restrictions on how many can serve on a committee. The only stipulation is that there is only one Chair per committee, except for the Blue Ribbon Committee on Canadian and American Affairs; one Canadian and one American. The Chair is accountable to the Prime Minister and the members of the committee.

Speaker of the House recognized Alana Day from San Diego: “Lunch offered a fantastic opportunity for us to have some great discussion and brainstorming session about ways to improve Parliament as the voice of the people. The major discussion was centered around Parliament actually acting as the voice of the people. For instance, in the case of Disciplinary Actions which are currently handled by the ICC and the Queen Mother, in regards to individual courts and for us to take that power into our own hands and truly be the voice and judgment of the people, by forming a committee within Parliament that would consist of rotating chapter courts that would handle all disciplinary reviews that are brought before us, regarding embezzlement and general misconduct with the ICS. I would like to propose that to the assembly. Speaker of the House stated that things said may not be acted upon at this session, but this suggestion should be taken to the ICC for their consideration.”

Speaker of the House recognized Ricky Matlock from Dallas: Dallas is fortunate that we have been kept fully informed on what’s going on in Parliament due to Devon’s involvement, but other courts have mentioned the lack of Parliament involvement in their own court, as well as in other courts. My question is, “Can we create a, “reach out” group from the members of Parliament, not necessarily the officers, which may be viewed in a negative light, and I’m not saying they are in any way, but to reach out to courts that are not showing up to Parliament on a regular basis and get their support and participation.”

Speaker of the House recognized Cheryl B. Hall from Portland: “I participated in the Queen Mother’s non-partisan, “Get out the Vote Campaign” for the 2008 Presidential election. I would like to see the ICS, ICC and Parliament to participate in another non-partisan, “Get out the Vote Campaign” for the 2012 presidential election. Feels it is extremely important for the LGBT community to be seen and heard. Delegate pointed out that a recent election was decided by just one vote, so every vote does count.”

Speaker of the House recognized Jay Henry Smith from San Antonio: “I stood up in San Diego, in San Antonio and again in Fresno and once again this year we’ve had a court run into money problems because of someone embezzling, so once again I’m going to stand up here because I’m not hearing from too many other courts that they followed our lead. Many years ago, San Antonio got bonded. It’s very simple, easy and inexpensive. Every court needs to get bonded. I can give you the information on the insurance we use. If you get bonded and a theft occurs, you won’t lose that money. We also make sure that we let everyone at our shows know that the money they give us is safe due to being bonded.” Speaker of the House asked for that issue to be brought up to the Community Issues Committee.

Speaker of the House recognized Larry Mastropierro from Reno: "I've been asked by my Board and community members, what exactly is the Accord, who exactly approve it and what benefit does it do to the ICC and the individual court? Why should we be doing this and why is it going forward?" Questions are being raised about creating trifolds about these accords asking the chapter courts to support and raise money for this organization or that foundation in another part of the country when they are having trouble raising money for local charities, scholarships, AIDS testing, etc. Speaker of the House will take action on this question.

Speaker of the House recognized Wesley Nelson, Lexington, Kentucky: Before an upcoming Parliament meeting, he touches base with the members of his court about what they want to know about the vast amount of knowledge that is gained at the session? The court would like information on the following:

1. If you have a youth court, how was it established, how you put them in place and how did you build the membership?
2. Need to establish a scholarship Program, so would like any help or information on how to get that started as well.
3. Kentucky has a low membership ratio of male to women in the court. Would like information from courts that have women in their courts on how to get more women involved, how are the women involved in your community and how you welcomed them in?

Speaker of the House asked the members of the ICC in attendance if they had any questions, comments or feed-back.

Speaker of the House recognized Heir Apparent and ICC Executive Recording Secretary, Sharon Lantree: "This has been an absolute pleasure. I've already told some of you at lunch and some of you that I've seen in the hallways, that I personally have been to all 4 Sessions, and I think this has been the most productive session of them all. The dialogue has been just incredible, the feedback, the ideas you've put out there, I mean everybody has gotten along well and actually talked. Well, trust me in the past that hasn't always happened. So I mean this has just been an incredible session and please applaud yourselves, you deserve it."

Speaker of the House recognized Heir Apparent and ICC Executive Corresponding Secretary, Rob Surreal: "I was a part of the first 2 sessions of Parliament and you really have rocked today. I really am impressed by you. Being in Parliament it was really difficult to see the progress, and when I was sitting there I watched all the different topics as they came up and it seemed as though we would dredge out for, I don't know, hours and hours and hours on the same subject; medallions. At any rate, what you guys have done today has been phenomenal and I'm extremely impressed with all of you and who knows maybe the next council person is sitting here and you just don't know it, right?"

Speaker of the House recognized Heir Apparent and ICC member, Devon DeVasquez. "On behalf of the Queen Mother, I'm so excited that I'm actually going to be able to talk to her on the phone and have good news for her. This has been an incredible session. You guys have been amazing. The 2010 committees, you guys came in and just knocked it out of the ballpark. It's amazing. When I stepped up to this position, my goal was to change the focus. The first 3 years we focused on ourselves as a committee, a board, as a governing body here called Parliament and we spent too much time on that. From those of you who don't know me, I come from a charity background starting more than 20 years ago. My first session was in San Antonio and I knew from that point that I wanted to be involved. When I became Prime Minister, I knew what I wanted to do, we needed to end the "us" stuff and us meaning in this room and building our

structure and we needed to wrap that up and we needed to focus on our communities and that was my platform and you helped me realize that today and it was because of your efforts that I am very, very, very proud to report back to the Queen Mother all the progress you've made today. So thank you very much and for those of you who attended the San Antonio session and the Fresno Session, the Queen Mother has said that she has looked around the room and, "seen my future council." So always remember that and keep it in the back of your mind that the Queen Mother is looking at this body for her next council, so you could be the next council member, like it or not. Thank you everybody. I'm very proud."

### **BID PRESENTATION TO HOST SESSION 5**

- **HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA, CANADA, Presented by Nathan Boudreau**  
Full bid information is included in program. Slide presentation.

Session 5 will be held on February 2-5, 2012. Materials and handouts were donated by Destination Halifax, a local tourism company. Contact person is Ed Savage, President of the Board. Airport is 30 minutes away, but will offer free court shuttle to and from, but need to make advanced arrangements. Other transportation is available. Costs are for a one-way fare, \$53.00 for a taxi or \$19.99 for a bus ticket, Limo is \$65. Atlantica Hotel is the host hotel and will host all events. Price of rooms is: \$115 for a regular room or \$149 for Executive rooms, (double occupancy). Thursday is the In-Town Show and Friday is the Out-of-Town Show and State Dinner. Weekend Package price of \$100, (savings of \$25) is available for Friday Out-of-Town Show, State Dinner, Coronation and Victory Brunch. Meet and Greet will be held on Thursday at Reflections Cabaret, Halifax's largest LGBT bar, in downtown Halifax. Snow is on the ground at this time of year, but ice skating is also available. Halifax is steeped in 250 years of history, with Citadel Fort in the downtown area, boardwalks and the world's deepest ice free harbor.

#### **Questions:**

1. Are quoted prices in US or Canadian dollars? Answer: Prices quoted are in Canadian funds.
2. Does this include a meal? Answer: Includes sit-down plated meal.
3. Since the Meet and Greet is before the In-Town Show, do we have to pay the \$10 cost to attend the show or is it free to us? Answer: That is currently being discussed and negotiated.
4. Is lunch being provided for Parliament? Answer: Not at this time, but we just started our negotiations and contract talks with the host hotel, so that will need to be negotiated.
5. Since Halifax is the eastern most court, I'm concerned about the price of airfare from the West coast and other distant locations. Answer: This actually came out in Fresno when we made a bid for this session. It's no more for us to come there than it is for you to come to us. I suggest price shopping.
6. Is there a ferry from Boston or rail service? Answer: No, you can come into August, Maine.
7. Does this fall on Super Bowl Weekend? Answer: I don't follow sports, so I don't know.
8. What's the weather going to be like? Answer: It's cold. Bring your fur coat. There is snow on the ground, but we've been lucky the past few years not to have a snow storm during Coronation.
9. Reminder that you need a passport to travel to Canada.
10. Thank you for your presentation and offering Canada to us for the historical Fifth Session.

○ **SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, Presented by Mark Surreal**

Bid information is included in the program. No slide presentation.

Session 5 will be held on February 17-19, 2012. Contact person is Larry Ryan and Mark Nunley. SeaTac International Airport serves just about every major airline. Available transportation from the airport includes: one-way, shuttle express - \$35; taxi - \$30 to \$50; Airporter - \$15 and light rail - \$10. Seattle Madison Renaissance is the host hotel. Rooms are \$135 single/double and \$145 triple/quad which includes parking for one car. Lunch for Parliament members will not be provided. Ticket prices, TBA. Weather can be overcast and possibly drizzly. It doesn't rain everyday in Seattle. Meet and Greet will take place on Thursday at a bar called Our Place. After the Meet and Greet we will go over to the Denver, Salt Lake Show, which is free.

**Questions:**

1. Is it true that is the President's Day Weekend? Answer: Yes it is.
2. It can get below zero that time of year, but is usually around 50 degrees. Last year it was sunny and 65 degrees.

Speaker of the House advises that if you did not get a certificate, please see the Executive Recording Secretary or if we have your name spelled wrong, please see her also and we can reprint them.

Speaker of the House advises to check on LastMinute.com for airfares. They are usually single airfares and he got his airfare to Buffalo for \$300 from San Diego. He also wants group photos at the end of the Session.

Speaker of the House: Stoles. They were supposed to be ready, but the manufacturer made a mistake and mistook the due date for the start date, however, they are currently being manufactured. Medallions will be provided for everyone that is seated in the room. An idea could be that the hosting court, design a medallion for hosting the session. Term of Service: The Queen Mother would like each court to have 2 members and for them to serve 2 year terms for continuity. There could also be no term limits. Talked about the Harvey Milk Stamp progress and that letters still need to be sent in. Also talked about London, Ontario Canada having the only Pride Library and this past September, Queen Mother Nicole had the opportunity to visit it. Director Professor Miller has offered each court a place to archive and document their history for the purpose of preservation. Starting in August, London will have a display in the library. Speaker of the House thanked Tim Woody from Washington D.C. for his attendance.

**VOTING FOR NEXT SESSION**

Voting was by secret ballot. Ballots were passed out and they were instructed to indicate their choice by placing the number, "1" for their first selection and a number, "2" for their second choice. Ballots were then folded in half and collected by Heirs Apparent, ICC Executive Recording Secretary, Sharon Lantree, and ICC Executive Corresponding Secretary, Rob Surreal, who opened the votes. The vote tally was entered into the computer as they were counted and doubled checked. The vote tally was automatically added by the computer program. All the "1's" were added together and all the "2's" were added together. The lowest total number was the winner. Results of the election were shown to Prime Minister, Devon De Vasquez, who announced the winner.

The host for the Fifth Session of Parliament: Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:**

Motion made by Larry Mastropierro from Reno. Seconded by everyone.  
Meeting Adjourned at 4:43

**EILEEN LANTREE / CRABTREE**  
**Executive Recording Secretary**