

ORDER OF THE FOUNDERS OF NORTH AMERICA
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 6, 2015
Louisville, Kentucky

The regular meeting of the Order of Founders of North America, 1492-1692 (OFNA) was convened by Grand Viscount General Stephen Renouf at 4:15 PM in Room 415 of the Brown Hotel in Louisville, Kentucky. Members in attendance included: Grand Viscount General Stephen Renouf, Deputy Viscount General-Eastern US Lindsey Brock, Abogado General John Dodd, Marechal General Larry Stevens, Parliamentarian Billie Brock, Adjutant General Mark Anthony, James Fosdyck, and Sa Jin Sa (Phoographer) Un Hui Fosdyck. There were no guests present.

Un Hui Yi gave the invocation, and the chair declared a quorum present for the meeting. A motion was made by Brock (seconded by Anthony) to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2014 Meeting and September 25, 2014 Meeting, which passed unanimously. GVG Renouf announced that the OFNA merchandise was available for purchase.

The Secretary was not present, so there was no report. The Exchequer General Jim Jones submitted his report by e-mail: cash balance from December 31, 2013 to December 31, 2014 increased from \$32k to \$34k. Deferred dues increased from \$32k to \$42k. The net operating loss increased from \$110 to \$4k. Jim filed the 990-N with the IRS on February 11, 2015.

Under old business, John Dodd made a motion (seconded by Stevens) to create a scholarship contest for the Order for high school students. It must be type-written, under 700 words, with transcripts showing GPA (to break a tie), and submitted by PDF by June 1, 2015, to John Dodd's work e-mail. The First Topic will be the Benefit to History of the European Colonization of North America. The prizes will be \$550 First, \$300 Second, and \$150 Third. The motion passed unanimously. GVG Renouf appointed a committee of three judges for the contest: Stephen Renouf, John Dodd and Larry Stevens. GVG Renouf discussed the upcoming joint SAR-OFNA Cruise from Baltimore to the Bahamas, during which we will have an OFNA meeting on the ship. Past GVG Ed Butler was not present, so there was no report on the OFNA advertisement in Family Tree Magazine.

Under new business, GVG Renouf announced the resignation of Registrar General Robin Towns, and the appointment of Jane Power as Registrar General. Jim Fosdyck will drive the boxes of applications to John Dodd in California, who will have the applications scanned for archiving, and will store the originals. GVG-Elect Mike Radcliff will take the OFNA Seal to Jane Power in Texas. GVG Renouf announced that Bill Marrs resigned as Chronicler General, and that Valerie Laskowski

would be assuming the webmaster duties for our website. GVG Renouf announced that his appointments to the nominating committee (Renouf, Butler and Radcliff) were previously approved by vote of the ExCom.

GVG Renouf announced there will be several bylaws amendments proposed at the Annual Meeting in April 2015 in Washington, DC. First, there will be a proposal to change the annual meeting from April to June/July. Second, we will propose allowing supplemental applications, and creating a Genealogista General for Supplementals. Third, there will be a proposal to require all expenditures over \$100 to be approved by the Executive Committee, Forth, to define the insignia of the Order. And fifth, to allow for the creation of state and district societies. There was a motion by Stevens (seconded by Anthony) to set the application fee (non-refundable) for new and supplemental applications at \$100, and the life membership fee at \$200 (refundable if not approved), which passed unanimously.

GVG Renouf announced that he needed proxies for the meeting in Washington, DC. For the June Meeting, Lindsey offered his suite at the Galt House for the meeting. We can order Jimmy Johns sandwiches cut up for the meeting.

Un Hui Fosdyck gave the benediction. Brock made a motion to adjourn (seconded by Anthony), which passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 PM.

Stephen Renouf, Acting Secretary
March 6, 2015