

**Minutes for the
MKP Elder Court Zoom Call
Monday, October 5, 2015**

Men on the call: David Bauerly, Rod Clay, Jim Fannon (MKP USA Elder Chair), Scott Lederman, Allan Podbelsek, Ron Roesler

Not on call: Bob Berger, John Lindermuth, Simon Hinkly

Blessing: David Bauerly

Website Development: Norman Pearl reported on the progress he and Ron have made in setting up the website. He showed the court a document which outlined several features/functions of the website. Norman presented two versions of an Elder Council Mission Statement. One was established during 2007 and the other was offered by Ron and Norman. The Court chose to stay with the 2007 mission statement: (insert mission statement here). Some Court members did not have the document that Norman was referencing. He agreed to send it to the entire court.

The Court agreed that in some instances it will be necessary to hold an Executive Session. The Court then proceeded to enter into Executive Session.

After the Executive Session Norman check out.

Young Warrior Connections with Elders: Scott Lederman reminded the Court that he and Bob Berger had sent us all a report on the recent connections he and Bob have had with the Young Warriors through their constituency chair, Eric Thomas. Scott described the Young Warrior website which is public. It was agreed that this is a dynamic website demonstrating the intention and energy of the YW constituency. Scott and Bob also sent an email to “elders-talk@mkpconnect.org. They explained the Young Warrior movement, how the elders are relating to the Young Warriors and invited other elders to check out the Young Warrior website. Some Young Warriors will be attending the World Elder Gathering in Hawaii (October 10 – 15). The Planning Team for the WEG in Hawaii have coordinated fundraising to support Young Warriors in traveling to the WEG.

Zoom Meeting with Elder Contacts: Ron Roesler reported on the phone call he had with 9 Elder Contacts. It was a dynamic call with good sharing about elder vibrancy. Someone took minutes which Ron has shared with the Court. Ron was energized by the impact of the call. He noted that men began asking questions about each other as the conversations proceeded. Some of the men on the call requested that the calls be held monthly. Ron has found that some communities/areas/centers have little to no elder activities while others are thriving with great activities. He hopes that this sharing by the Zoom calls will help stir elder vibrancy in places where it is not so robust. Ron will continue to invite all Elder Contacts to join in these phone calls.

Ritual Elder Coordinator Report: Rod Clay was able to be on the call for only a short time. He sent the Court his Ritual Elder Report for the month of September. Report is copied at the end of these minutes.

David Bauerly had no new information to report from the Leader Body. He will be attending the World Elder Gathering in Hawaii. He reported that at this point, Rich Tosi will be well enough to attend as well. A third leader, Ric Broniec, will also be attending the World Elder Gathering.

Next Meeting of Court: November 2, at 6 p.m. (EST), 5 p.m. (CST), 4 p.m. (MST), 3 p.m. (PST). Jim will send out the zoom conversation ID.

Those on the call checked out at 6:45 p.m. EDT.

**Submitted by Allan Podbelsek
Court Secretary**

Ritual Elder Coordinator Report for September

Certified

0 Ritual Elders
3 RE RE-CERT (3 USA-0 MKPI)
0 RET (0 USA-0 MKPI)
7 NWTA RE staffings
0 RITUAL ELDER EMERITUS

Year to date

Certified

5 Ritual Elders - 2 (USAMKP) 3 (MKPI)
13 Ritual Elders In Training – 9 (USAMKP) 4 (MKPI)
20 Ritual Elders Re-Certification: (17 USA-0 MKPI)
14 RE EMERITUS (some grandfathered in)
50 RE NWTA staffings 2015 MKPUSA

Total

**77 Ritual Elders – 61 (USAMKP) 16 (MKPI)
32 RET – 26 (USAMKP) 6 (MKPI)
14 RE EMERITUS**