

**Minutes for the
MKP Elder Court Zoom Call
Monday, December 7, 2015**

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

Not on call: John Lindermuth, Simon Hinkly

Blessing: Podbelsek

Check In by all on call.

Vibrancy Meeting with Lead Elders: There was a mix-up about the time of the call. Ron was unable to be on the call. A few elders did show up and chatted. Ron is planning to schedule another call for Sunday evening, December 13. As always he encouraged members of the Court to join the call.

Website Development: Ron has created an updated version of elder information for the public website. He also included a piece on Strategic Planning. Norman reported that the Public web site (Elders.MKP.org) is up to date. There remain several tasks related to the “Warrior Only” website for elders. He and Ron will work with Keith Jarvis to continue the development on this website. John Lindermuth (not on the call) is working on the Elder Development aspect of the website.

Young Warrior Connections with Elders: Scott Lederman reported that he and Bob Berger were on a call with Eric and Chris two weeks before this meeting. The Young Warriors have created their own website which seems to be quite effective and informative. Chris and/or Eric are making follow-up calls to Ritual Elders who have staffed Young Warrior Gateway weekends. After the Kansas City Nwta, Dan Rubedu created a beautiful, spiritual energetic staff to gift to the Young Warriors.

Leader Body News: David Bauerly indicated there was nothing to report at this time.

Ritual Elder Coordinator Report: Rod Clay’s report for the month of November is included at the end of the minutes. Notably, there were 8 NWTAs in November bringing the total for the year to 72. Currently there are 80 Ritual Elders, 64 in MKP USA and 16 in MKPI outside the USA; 30 Ritual Elders in Training; and 15 Ritual Elder Emeriti.

Rod gave an update on the work of the team who will eventually produce an updated revision of the Ritual Elder Protocol. The team (Clay, de Strakosch, Lindermuth & Podbelsek) have had one zoom call and will have another call in mid-January. Rod has been working on issues within the document that will require attention.

There was a discussion about covenants. Unlike the Leaders, the Ritual Elders do not sign a covenant upon certification. Rod will do some more research around the concept of covenant. Ron could not remember that there was a covenant made in 1997 at the meeting in Montreal.

Elder Development: No new information from John Lindermath.

From the Elder Chair: Jim Fannon gave an update on the progress of USAGE 2016.

The Upstate NY Community, Leader Body and Elders are in full support of the USAGE. The Upstate NY Leader Body has offered to help pay any initial, up-front expenses. The location is at Camp Cory, Pen Yan, NY. Jim reported that the USAGE Planning Committee has had two meetings. Members not able to attend in person were connected by video so they were able to participate fully. There is a Woman Within member of the team. The Planning Committee has set a goal to create the best USAGE yet!

The meeting will have co-chairs, Steve Aman and Rick Riedman (sp?). Riedman will be in charge of developing the program. For the committee's communication purposes Basecamp 3 has been set up. Ron Roesler and Allan Podbelsek will be placed on the list and are invited to the committees zoom meetings.

Jim reported that MKP USA has new Chair. Julian Devereaux took over succeeding Robert Powell. Russell Kemp is the new Chair Elect. Bob Oser will continue as the Vice Chair.

Next Meeting of Court: January 4, 2016, 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 7:20 p.m. EST.

**Submitted by Allan Podbelsek
Court Secretary**

November 2015

Certified

2 Ritual Elders
1 RE RE-CERT (1 USA-0 MKPI)
1 RET (1 USA-0 MKPI)
8 NWTUSA RE staffings
1 RITUAL ELDER EMERITUS

Year to date

Certified

7 Ritual Elders - 3 (USAMKP) 4 (MKPI)
16 Ritual Elders In Training - 12(USAMKP) 4 (MKPI)
21Ritual Elders Re-Certification: 21(MKP USA-)0 MKPI)
15 RE EMERITUS 13(MKPUSA)-2(MKPI)
72 RE NWTUSA staffings 2015 MKPUSA

Total

80 Ritual Elders – 64 (USAMKP) 16 (MKPI)
30 RET – 25 (USAMKP) 5 (MKPI)
15 RE EMERITUS 13(MKPUSA)-2(MKPI)
