

**Minutes for the
MKP Elder Court Zoom Call
Monday, February 8, 2016
6:00 p.m. EST**

Men on the call: Bob Berger, Rod Clay, Jim Fannon (MKP USA Elder Chair), John Lindermuth, Allan Podbelsek

Not on call: David Bauerly, Scott Lederman, Norman Pearl

Blessing: Allan Podbelsek

Check In by all on call.

The minutes for the January call were approved (Bob Berger moved and John Lindermuth seconded).

Opening Comments by Jim Fannon:

1. Jim has approached a warrior with a finance background to take point on Elder Council finances and is waiting for a decision from this man.
2. Jim has not yet found a VP to replace Ron Roesler.
3. Jim is having some email difficulties with MKPConnect. John Lindermuth gave an explanation of what may be the cause and will follow up with some analysis.
4. Jim reported on the meeting of the large planning committee for USAGE 2016, September 29 – October 2. All the committees are formed and are working well together.

Young Warrior Connections with Elders: Bob Berger reported that he and Scott Lederman will be on a call Wednesday evening, February 10 with Young Warriors. They hope to develop a list of topics of interest to the Young Warriors and Elders. The intent is to build a resource list for the young warriors to show what elders have to offer them. Jim Fannon reiterated his wish to have a contact man from the Young Warriors.

Leader Body News: None reported.

Website Information: No new information. Norman was not able to be on the call. He is looking for sources from of information to place on the MKPConnect Webpage.

Ritual Elder Coordinator Report: Rod Clay reported that there was one Ritual Elder Re-certification and one new Ritual Elder Emeritus in January 2016. The full report for January is included at the end of these minutes.

Elder Development: John Lindermuth reported on two topics.

1. John Lindermuth and his cohorts (John deStrakosch, John Frost and Gary Parker) are offering their Ritual Elder Workshop at the USAGE in Upstate NY. They are in touch with Steve Aman, one of the Co-Chairs for USAGE 2016. They are tentatively thinking of beginning the workshop on Wednesday, September 28, and ending on Thursday afternoon, September 29. John wants to look at the workshop from 2015 WEG in Hawaii as they prepare this upcoming workshop.
2. John is also looking at the possibility of a Multicultural workshop/training to be presented in association with USAGE 2015. Through a survey John has found a strong interest in having a workshop as many ritual elders will be in need of completing the multicultural requirement before January 1, 2017. John is also in touch with Rick Broniec who could be one of the presenters. The workshop costs would include \$1200 for two presenters plus their travel. He is exploring the cost issues and when the workshop might be presented. Under consideration is the workshop being presented during the USAGE or perhaps after the USAGE is over. He has also been in touch with the USAGE Program co-chairs.

Rod Clay reported that he had received a phone call from Terry Jones. Terry wanted to know why his curriculum, "The Elder Reflection Series" was not selected by the MKP USA Curriculum Committee as the elder workshop for MKP USA. The Court had decided that Terry's program was a good program but does not choose to select any program as **the** elder program. Jim Fannon will handle any further communication with Terry. John Lindermuth pointed out that a program developed by Ric Stuecker and Tim Schladand, based on Ric's publication, Vibrant Emeritus, The Elder in the Twenty-First Century is also under consideration for endorsement by the MKP USA Curriculum Committee.

Next Meeting of Court: March 7, 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 6:45 p.m., EST.

**Submitted by Allan Podbelsek
Court Secretary**

**Ritual Elder Coordinator Report
January 2016**

Summary: One RE re-cert; one RE Emeritus.

Certified

0 Ritual Elders (MKPUSA, MKPI)
1 RE RE-CERT (1 MKPUSA, MKPI)
0 RET

0 NwTA USA RE Staffings
0 RE RETIRED (USA, MKPI)
0 RE SABBATICAL (USA, MKPI)
1 RE Emeritus (USA, MKPI)

Year to date

Certified

0 Ritual Elders - (USA) (MKPI)
0 Ritual Elders In Training – (USA) (MKPI) (NOT NOW)
1 Ritual Elders Re-Certification: 1(USA-), (MKPI)
1 RE EMERITUS 1(USA)- (MKPI)
0 RE SABBATICAL –MKPI
0 RE INACTIVE- (USA), (MKPI)
0 RE NwTA staffings 2016 USA

Total

82 Ritual Elders – 65 (USAMKP) 17 (MKPI)
25 RET – 23 (USAMKP) 2 (MKPI)
15 RE EMERITUS -13 USA, 2 MKPI

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