



Minutes of the Board of Proctors of E Clampus Vitus®, Inc.

Meeting held on Friday, May 16, 2025

Mother Load Fairgrounds, Manzanita Building, Sonora, CA

Pre meeting fairgrounds update: New fire lane rules, parking is tighter. Area is close to full. Hawking is going to be outside in the same area we do Friday night hospitality suites, the GC “downtown” area. Mention of the seller’s permit needed to be out on everyone’s hawker booths.

1. Call to Order, 12:58pm Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Rollcall: present,

SNGH: Mark Hall-Patton
VSNGH: Lyle Ducheneaux
SGNR: Brandon Wiling
Liam Driskill
Jim Cirner XSNGH
Eirc Larson
Ray Flower
Dave Otero XSNGH
Paul Renner
Justin Schoolcraft
Jesse Villarreal

Jeff Winn
John Wrobel
With Pupa Roll Call:
Dan Carrion
Matt Christensen

Not present: Russ Chapmen

There were Proctors 14 present at the beginning of the meeting. The quorum requirement of 8 was met and the meeting proceeded as scheduled.

3. Nominating Committee Report/Introductions.

Recommendation #1: Roll through Mark Hall-Patton from current position of Sublime Noble Grand Humbug to forever and in violet; be known as X-Sublime Noble Grand Humbug.

Recommendation #2: Elevate Lyle Ducheneaux from “Nameless” to the highest position Known within ECV as the new and incoming Sublime Noble Grand Humbug.

Recommendation #3: Elevate current Sublime Noble Grand Recorder Brandon Wilding to position of Vice Sublime Noble Grand Humbug or, to always be referred to during his term as “Nameless”, as there is no Vice in ECV.

Recommendation #4: Elevate current Proctor Liam Driskill to the position of Sublime Noble Grand Recorder to include all the tasks and obligations this anointment entails.

Recommendation #5: Roll over current Proctor Jeff Winn to a second term on the Board of Proctors.

Recommendation #6: Roll off Proctor Russ Chapman and thank him for his service to the Ancient and Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus as a Proctor for the last five years.

Recommendation #7: Roll off John Wrobel and thank him for his service to the Ancient and Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus as a Proctor for the last five years.

Recommendation #8: Promote Matt Christensen from the Irish Kate Chapter # 1858 to the position of first term Proctor.

Recommendation #9: Dan Carrion from Grub Gulch Chapter #41-49 to the position of first term Proctor.

All positions will be effective at the close of the business at the General Meeting on May 17,2025.

SNGH Mark Hall-Patton: asked for a motion to accept the nomination report as presented.

4. Gold Dust Report.

Financial report was submitted and approve.

Short discussion followed and Paul moved and Dave 2nd for the \$500 from Outpost 1801 Pio Pico to be given to the school that GC annually gives.
PASSED

5. Approval of the Minutes of the last meeting:

6. Chapter Statistical Reporting.

Before the close of the meeting on Friday all chapters had turned in but Bodie INS.

7. Progression of Proctors and Chapter Assignments:

Can be seen from the website.

8. Joel Henry Zumwalt Benevolent Society:

Is looked after by, Loren Wilson, Eddy Hawkens, Mike Eckley, Tanner Boone, and Jim Lillie. Request to use ECV with. WOCO, Boone's Memorial is in Murphy's.

They would like funding for wall repairs and maintenance, Angels Camp Museum ECV display & ECV Clamper display at the Old Timers Museum, in addition with donations acquired from within the ECV brotherhood to help preserve its existence. Joel Henry Zumwalt burial site is at Protestant cemetery in Mokelumne Hill, CA. They will make sure that the grave is kept up and clean.

9. CARP:

Mike Eckley was present, explained that they oversee Hawkers with the trademark. The BOP to tell members to not use others' art work. Liam asked if CARP could tell all the Hawkers and Chapters present at the CARP meeting to not let people sell for profit. Not let people even set up at their events that are for profit.

10. Humbug 73:

Present: James Ordway XNGH, Mike Mears NGH

Humbug 73 is short-handed, has 8 active members. Has all their paperwork up to date and active insurance. With a check in hand to GC. Mark suggested that maybe in the future that they think about a merger possibly with one of the neighboring chapters.

11. Outpost reports:

9.1 YB1 with Historical Society Chief Solano 1851:

Had supporting NGH's or surrounding areas, areas not from all over and many more members, filled half the room. Dennis Moore NGH of YB1 asked for Outpost. Historical Society Chief Solano were asked some questions before leaving. The support group was so large that they could NOT get out the door in a timely manner.

9.2 Matuca with John C Fremont 1854:

Working on building their bank up. Has one plaque with Matuca. They are working on about five other plaque ideas. Having good attendance. Meeting once a month. Members 118, meetings up to 35. Thought they were doing good and thanks the BOP for the time to check in with them on their progress.

9.3 Major William Downie 1849 with Pio Pico 1801:

Had NGH & XNGH's from supporting chapters present. Chris Hale from Pio Pico 1801 spoke. Had 12 new people from their territory they brought in over the last year with couple events. Pio Pico 1801 did 5 plaques for & with Major William

Downie 1849. Also did a plaque at 4way doins with Major William Downie 1849, San Brannan 1004, & John Sutter 1841. Donated \$500 to GC to funding as they see fit to use for.

9.4 Umpqua Joe 1859 with Sam Barlow 33:

Had Doc Maynard 54-40, Lassen-Loomis 1914, Trinitarianus 62 present in support. Umpqua Joe ask for Sam Barlow to move up. They had a plaque together at their joint doins. Sam Barlow has two more plaque coming this year in their territory. They have 10-15 members at the meetings. XSNGH Dan McCormick spoke about Sam Barlow 33 and how good they were doing.

12. Outpost Progression Discussion.

Chief Solano 1851:

Liam recommended that they be asked to come back next year. Dave & Liam both agreed they have gotten a lot better in the last 3 years. Paul talked about the finances. Lyle wants to ask them to bring better paperwork details. Ray moved Dave 2nd to move them to Outpost Fledgling. Some discussion, PASSED.

John C Fremont 1854:

Discussion was had. Group is working to build things up. Looking good for the future. Ray moved to ask them to come back next year, Justin 2nd. PASSED

Pio Pico 1801:

Liam moved & Paul 2nd to move up Fledgling to Provisional. Discussion was had. LOST
Dave moved with Ray 2nd for them to stay at Fledgling. PASSED

Sam Barlow 33:

Justin wants to see them continue with new leader and hopes for them to continue to grow. Lyle also would like to see them grow more. Justin moved & Lyle 2nd for them to stay at Provisional. Some more discussion was had. PASSED

13. CARP/ Hawker's

Brandon talked about hawkers having problems and people hawking for profit, asked what does CARP do/offer. Dave said that CARP helps with safe guard of other people's art. Liam talked about hawking for profit and not hawking for a chapter, this takes money away revenue away from chapters. Lyle reminded the Board that 11-8-21 CARP was sent a letter asking for better rules/guidelines and we never were submitted any. After further

discussion since Grand Council is the trademark holder and protectors of the order, that they would make a small committee to establish rules & guidelines.

14. General Discussion:

Joel Zumwalt Group:

After discussion with the Board a motion was made to ask them to affiliate with an ECV Chapter as they are not a Chapter or an Outpost. Dave moved Ray 2nd, PASSED

WCOC/Wall of Comparative Ovation Committee:

Mark wants them to send in quarterly reports to the SNGR. We were told the new people at the WCOC like the wall but would also like us to maintain it. Justin moved with Dave 2nd to have a proctor on the committee, with a \$200 cap of not asking for monies but still need to have a real receipt, with quarterly reports. PASSED

Jeff was asked and accepted to be the proctor liaison.

Check from Outpost Pio Pico 1801 see gold dust report.

15. Adjournment 4:24pm

In Vitus 'Service,



Liam Driskill, SNGR

Sublime Grand Noble Recorder

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6. Billy Holcomb Presentation:

Presented new sublime badges, and shirts.

7. Dumbellican Brotherhood:

Clamper of the year Mike Eckley.

8. \$1,040.00 donated in book sales from History Publications.

Big thanks to Tim Spencer & Dave Holmes.

9. BOP Committee reports:

100th Anniversary, we want to plaque. Maybe have at a different site?

Territory Map, BOP is working on maps of every chapter's and outpost's territory. Still need 33 different chapters

Logo's

Helping streamline the big meeting room. With 55 total Chapters and Outpost! We are always looking for new ways help speed up the big meeting but not take away from the enjoyable rhetoric. Having the 2nd row of chairs in order with chapter names on it for talking so the microphone passes freely from one to the next.

10. Motorcycle Clubs in ECV:

There are six motorcycle clubs that have ECV as members or make their members become ECV. Justin said to ask them not to wear trademark use/wear on their motorcycle, and but not limited to non ECV approved apparel. Brandon suggested that we ask the Chapters to ask people not to wear their club apparel at ECV event. Ask Chapters and Flatlander not to print MC stuff on flyers or paperwork.

11. Mailing Minutes, Procs, etc...?

Brandon talked about the mailing and printing info is now into the thousands of dollars. We need to start saving cost by emailing out. Not printing cost, postage cost! Just over \$1,000.00 in mailing minutes. We are not going to do and will post on line.

Liam requested address clean up because of how many are being duplicate, or even worse.

12. Presentation of awards:

Mark Hall-Patton as the Sublime presented awards to Proctor John Wrobel, Proctor and XSNGH Dave Otero, Proctor NAMELESS Lyle Ducheneaux.

13. New Humbug and VNGH meeting:

Brandon informed all the New NGH's or Chapter representatives of the new BIG Meeting room plan of the 2nd row to pass the microphone. Look for your Chapters assigned seat. You can stay there after you are finished or go back to your Chapter group to sit with. Brandon announced that there will be no minutes mailed out this year.

XSNHG Dan McCormick talked about the new plaque book and sending in pictures of plaques for the new updated book! Over the next few years, they wanted to ensure all the plaques erected since 2018 have an opportunity for inclusion in the next plaque book of E CLAMPUS VITUS. Please submit to clamplaquero@ecvinc.org

Liam asked chapters to update websites, Get Doins and other event info out every way they can with ECV Gazette, FLATLANDER is really good, but to also talk with neighboring chapters. There is an old unwritten rule of not have a doins the same time as another chapter in a 200-mile radius! There are a lot of us now and we really need to try to not have events on top of each other! Liam also talked about keeping HOCO off the internet, telling the members not to take pictures of HOCO, telling everyone to not post HOCO on line! It has been better than ever and thanks to everyone that helps with this!

Lyle asked that we not trash talk each other online being telephone tuff guys! We are a Brotherhood. Understanding that not everyone is going to like each other, but you do not have to hang out with that person either. Remember we are a Brotherhood, not sisters.

Brandon reminded Chapters that they are allowed to tell people to not hawk for profit at their doins and or ant events. Letting people hawk for profit is taking away from ECV hawkers that are trying to make money for their chapters and it takes away from money that your own Hawker could be making for your Chapter!

14. The Board of Proctors introduce the Proctors to the Chapters they are liaison for this year.

15. Taking questions & statements from the Chapters.

Question was asked about "TRANS" coming to Chapter events. Wants Grand Council to make a stand. Brandon reminded them that when it is your Chapter event you are allowed to not let them in. We are a Men's club. Not if you are identifying as a man. In turn if you are a man but want to identify as a woman you are allowed to not let them in. We can do it nicely. We do not have to be mean about it.

Eureka 101 Chapter is asking for donations to help the Chapter with legal fees to help keep their 1931 fire truck in the Chapter!

16. BOP talks.

The question came up about Hawking for profit. Liam explained that Gary Gates was out currently selling at Grand Council for profit. Brandon stated that we do not have it in writing or rules from CARP. After some discussion it was all agreed upon that only Chapter Hawkers that all proceeds going to the Chapter should have ECV, or be allowed to sell at ECV because we are a historical society that as none profit. Liam said all of us do not volunteer our time for others to profit off us.

Some discussion was had about making Grand Council just for NGH's, XNGH's, and dignitaries of ECV as the camp site is filling up.

Adjournment 11:42am

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