

ECMC Open General Meeting Minutes – December 7, 2016

	Officers	Members	Pledges	Guests
Present:	Chaz A. – Pres. Joe M. – Vice President Geno K. – Road Captain Mark W. – Treasurer Aaron G. – Secretary	Ed C. Steve G. Mario L. Scott L. Michael M. Eddie M. Brian V.		Jack D. Ed G. K. K. Gabriel .R.
Absent:		Earl D. Loki D. William P. Darryl S.		

Meeting called to order at 8:01 P.M. by President Chaz A.

Motion to accept the minutes from the November 2, 2016 Open General Meeting: Michael M., 2nd by Eddie M. (P)

Officer's Reports:

President's Report:

- President, Chaz A. reported on nominations for officers that occurred at last month's Open General Meeting, which was a month earlier than stated in our by-laws. Chaz A. stated the early nominations weren't a "bad thing" as the membership got apprised of those who would accept or decline their nominations.
- Chaz A. stated that we should have a written contract between the club and the Stonewall Inn for the 2017 ECMC Holiday Party and Toy Drive, which is scheduled for December 2, 2017.
- Eddie M's much beloved French bulldog, Lily passed away last week.

Vice President's Report:

- Vice President, Joe M. confirmed the following upcoming events:
 - December 8, 2016 Onyx NY's "Deck the Balls" at Evolve at 221 East 58th Street, New York, NY.
 - December 9-11, 2106 Progressive Motorcycle Expo at the Jacob Javits Center, New York NY.
 - December 11, 2016 Long Island Ravens Holiday Party at The Long Island Eagle, Bay Shore, NY.
 - December 17, 2016 Delta Brotherhood of NY Holiday Social at the Stonewall Inn at 53 Christopher Street, New York, NY.
 - December 17, 2016 Iron Guard Holiday Brunch at East of Eighth 254 West 23rd Street, New York, NY.
 - January 13-15, 2016 Centaur MC's Mid-Atlantic Leather ("MAL") Weekend, Washington DC.

- Joe M. confirmed that ECMC has a bar-night at the DC Eagle on January 14, 2016.

All events posted to the ECMC calendar at <http://calendar.EmpireCityMC.com> by Chaz A.

V.P. Road Captain's Report:

- Geno K. reported on the "Crossing the Delaware" ride, which occurred on Saturday November 5, 2016.
- Chaz. A thanked Geno K. for his two years of service as the club's Road Captain.

All rides posted to the ECMC calendar at <http://calendar.EmpireCityMC.com> by Chaz A.

Secretary's Report:

- Aaron G. confirmed that ECMC received no mail since the last meeting.
- The December ECMC newsletter, which will be published on or about December 21, 2016.
- Mario L. will be the "Meet the Member" for the December/January ECMC Newsletter.

Treasurer's Report:

- Mark W. reported on the club's finances and account activity.
- Chaz. A thanked Mark W. for his many years of service as the club's Treasurer and other executive positions he has held.

Motion to accept all Officers' Reports: Brian V., 2nd by Michael M. (P)

Committee Reports:

AMCC Representative:

- Eddie M will be attending the next AMCC meeting scheduled for March 20, 2017 and hosted by the Pennsmen in Harrisburg PA.
- The membership noted that Eddie C was nominated for an AMCC office.
- AMCC's ballots for 2017 nominated officers will be mailed to the club's attention shortly.
- The club's requests for AMCC' opinion on the donation of other club's colors to the Leather Archive is still outstanding.

Archive Committee:

- Chaz A. reported that the club's archive efforts are likely be concluded by March of 2017.

2016 Annual Holiday Party/Toy Drive Committee:

- Chaz A. reported on the success of the club's 2016 Annual Holiday Party/Toy Drive Committee.
- Special thanks to members Mario. L. for his generous donation of a Chocolate Santa, and Steve G. for selling 13 ECMC calendars at the Holiday Party. Aaron G. reported that due to the recent sale of calendars at the Holiday Party the club has broken even on the cost of the calendars.

- Special thanks to Jack D. for hosting the Door Prize Giveaway and K.K. and Tony P. preparing the passed hors d'oeuvres.
- Michael M. made a motion to donate \$500.00 to Leake and Watts, 2nd by Eddie C. (P)

Old Business:

- Chaz A. reported on Robert's Rules and the way members are nominated for executive offices.

Office	Revised Nominees:
President:	Chaz A.
Vice President:	Ed C. Aaron G. Scott L.
Road Captain VP:	Eddie M. Brian V.
Secretary:	Aaron G.
Treasurer:	Michael M. Brian V.

New Business:

- Chaz A. announced the results of the elections of new officers:

Office	Nominee
President:	Chaz A.
Vice President:	Ed C.
Road Captain VP:	Brian V.
Secretary:	Aaron G.
Treasurer:	Michael M.

- Motion to pay for the club's meeting space at the LBGT Center made by Ed C, seconded by Michael M. (P).
- Motion to schedule and budget for our 2017 Officer's Installation Dinner, made by Aaron G, seconded by Ed C. The Installation Diner is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, January 22, 2017 at Matilda's in the East Village at 5:00 PM. (P).
- Motion to host a Pub Crawl with other clubs made by Ed C., seconded by Brian V. on either February 25, 2017 or March 11, 2017. (Tabled until next month's meeting.)
- Joe M. suggested that as a gesture of appreciation the club host another event during the riding season at Matilda's. Motion made by Joe M., seconded by Eddie M. to provide Matilda's Restaurant with a plaque of appreciation at a cost of \$75.00. (P)

- Gabriel R. President of Excelsior MC NYC thanked ECMC for attending recent Excelsior events and proposed a trip to the Museum of New York for the Leather exhibition. Gabriel also proposed future events co-hosted or co-planned by ECMC and Excelsior MC for ourselves and other like-minded clubs. ECMC suggested that events should be scheduled very other month due to scheduling difficulties.

Comments on the Record:

- There is no ECMC conference call scheduled for December 2016.
- The next Open General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 4, 2016 at 8:00 PM at The LBGT Center located at 208 West 13th Street, New York, NY.
- Al Rizzo, owner of the Ranch will be celebrating his 70th birthday on the December 31, 2016.
- The Audit Committee will be elected at next month's meeting.
- Road Captain and Vice President to provide Chaz. A with a report on membership attendance at rides and events for 2016.

Comments off the Record:

- Not recorded.

Adjournment of Open General Meeting:

- Motion to close the December 7, 2016 Open General Meeting made by Ed C., 2nd by Michael M. (P). Meeting was closed at 9:19 PM.