

1996 Annual Meeting Agenda: for the International Costumer's Guild



Note: This is the agenda as of the beginning of May 1996. There may be additions or modifications before the meeting.

I. Call To Order

II. Reading of the Minutes

- A. Correction Proposed by Jana Keeler

III. New Chapter Admissions

- A. South Bay Costumers' Guild
- B. United Kingdom Costumers' Guild

IV. Reports

A. Officers' Reports

1. Treasurer's Report
2. Corresponding Secretary's Report
3. Recording Secretar'ys Report

B. Other Reports

1. Parliamentarian
2. Costumer's Quarterly

V. Old Business

- A. Vintage Clothing Resolution

VI. New Business

- A. Motion One: Standing Rules Amendment
- B. Motion Two: Costumer's Quarterly
- C. Motion Three: Costumer's Quarterly

VII. Costume Con 17

- A. Philadelphia Bid

VIII. Election of Officers

IX. Adjournment

Text of Motions, both for Old Business and New Business:

Vintage Clothing Resolution:

Submitted by Cat Devereaux. Motion seconded March 13, 1995 by Janet Wilson Anderson

Held over for discussion from 1995 ICG meeting:

March 13, 1995

The Costumer's Guild West moves that the following resolution be adopted by the International Costumer's Guild as official ICG policy:

"WHEREAS the International Costumer's Guild recognizes that vintage clothing and textiles are part of our precious historical heritage,

"And WHEREAS the wearing of articles of vintage attire inevitably exposes the garments to the dangers of damage and deterioration, this danger increasing with the age and/or fragility of such articles,

"And WHEREAS the mutilation of vintage garments for the purpose of constructing significantly different decorative and/or costume pieces irretrievably destroys their historical value,

"Therefore BE IT RESOLVED that:

"The International Costumer's Guild strongly opposes the casual wearing or modeling of articles of vintage clothing and/or textiles. When vintage clothing is worn, it should be worn responsibly and appropriately.

"Further, the International Costumer's Guild strongly opposes any mutilation of vintage garments which significantly alters their original form.

"Further, the International Costumer's Guild whole-heartedly supports the careful preservation of these articles for research and the enjoyment and education of future generations.

"Further, the International Costumer's Guild whole-heartedly encourages the reproduction of historical garments through diligent research and careful construction, and supports the display and wearing of these reproductions.

"Finally, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the International Costumer's Guild and its membership is charged to encourage actions which support this resolution.

This resolution, with the words "Costumer's Guild West" substituted for "International Costumer's Guild" was adopted by the CGW at its annual meeting in July 1994, as official CGW policy. At that same meeting, the CGW membership voted to recommend the adoption of this resolution by the entire ICG. Accordingly, we are submitting this motion for consideration. We request that this motion be placed on the agenda for action at the Annual Meeting upcoming this May.

Motion One, Standing Rules Amendment:

Minutes Correction

Submitted by Jana Keeler.

Clarification of points of information that appeared in the "Minutes of the 1995 Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors" at the ICG Business Meeting held at Costume Con 13 in Toronto

Original Text: "This came to the forefront partially because of the decision by the board of the Greater Bay Area Costumers' Guild (GBACG) to not change their membership dues, but to keep the \$8.00, and tell their new and renewing members that if they wanted to get The Costumer's Quarterly, they had to pay an additional \$8.00. This was done without notifying the ICG. This situation, and its implications need to be kept in mind when the clarifying language is written."

Clarification: The GBACG did change their dues structure. After months of board discussions they decided to separate The Costumer's Quarterly from membership dues and lower their yearly membership from \$20 to \$18. From that point on, new and renewing members were given the option of whether or not to subscribe to the CQ by submitting an additional \$8.00 with their \$18 Guild membership. No GBACG member had to pay an additional \$8.00 for the CQ. All \$8.00 collected previous to this decision were sent the ICG treasurer on January 29, 1995. GBACG President, Jan Price, contacted Betsy Marks, then ICG Treasurer, to inform her of our decision. Betsy asked we not have members send their \$8.00 directly to her (as we first proposed), but that we collect the money and send it on to her along with the \$1 ICG dues (which we agreed to do). The GBACG did not consider this an illegal or radical action to take because a) ICG by-laws were ambiguous at best on this point; b)members were paying for something that was not being delivered; and c) they did not set the precedent here. Beyond Reality in Oregon, an approved ICG Guild, had offered the CQ as a separate subscription from their beginnings.

Motion One: Standing Rules Amendment

It shall also be the duty of the Parliamentarian to keep the records of the Bylaws and Standing Rules of the organization in good order and to provide each officer and chapter with a copy of same at least once annually. The Parliamentarian shall provide a copy to any other member of the ICG upon receipt of a request for same, accompanied by a self-addressed stamped envelope.

Submitted by Parliamentarian, Janet Wilson Anderson.

Motions Two & Three: Costumer's Quarterly

Submitted by the New York-New Jersey Costumers' Guild, The Sick Pups, April 27, 1996

(Note: The motions below have been renumbered to correspond to meeting agenda.)

The Sick Pups propose that publication of The Costumer's Quarterly be resumed in the following manner:

Rather than printing paper copies and mailing them directly to each member, the Quarterly editor will prepare and send to each chapter one copy of each issue on a computer disk. Each chapter will print and distribute as many copies as it wishes, just as chapters outside North America may now do pursuant to Standing Rule 7. This will save the ICG the cost of printing multiple paper copies of the Quarterly, maintaining a bulk mailing permit, and postage.

At present, Standing Rule 7 requires each North American chapter to pay the ICG a Quarterly subscription fee of \$8.00 US for members with USA mailing addresses and \$10.00 US for members with mailing addresses in North America outside the USA. Under our proposal, the subscription fee would be reduced from \$8.00/\$10.00 US per member per year to a flat \$20.00 US per chapter per year.

The Sick Pups propose to take responsibility as a chapter to edit and publish The Costumer's Quarterly in this format. We will publish four issues per year, on time, and for the stipulated subscription fee. Therefore, we present the following motions for adoption at the 1996 Annual Meeting:

Motion Two.

Be It Moved that Standing Rule 7 is amended as follows (matter to be deleted is enclosed in brackets []; matter to be added is underlined>:

7. Subscription fee for The Costumer's Quarterly shall be set at [~~\$8.00 US per year for members with USA mailing addresses and \$10.00 US per year for members with mailing addresses in North America outside the USA~~] \$20.00 US per chapter per year. Chapters [outside North America] will receive a single master copy of each issue on computer disk[, shall be charged for the cost of preparing and mailing that copy,] and shall print and distribute copies from that master [pursuant to a written agreement between the chapter and the Corporation]. Chapters [outside North America] shall be responsible for all costs of reproduction and distribution and may set such subscription fees as they see fit. The annual subscription fee for [members in North America receiving The Costumer's Quarterly] each chapter shall be sent to the Treasurer on [the same schedule as the Corporation dues The charge to chapters outside North America for preparing and mailing master copies shall be paid to the Treasurer on such schedule as the chapter and the Corporation shall agree on] January 7. The Corporation Treasurer shall remit The Costumer's Quarterly subscription fees to the editors as expenses are incurred. [The Treasurer shall also send The Costumer's Quarterly editors an updated membership list on a quarterly basis.]

Motion Three.

Be It Moved that the President is directed to designate the New York-New Jersey Costumers' Guild as a chapter as the editor of The Costumer's Quarterly.

