

2nd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 16 MAY 2020

DAGMAR COMMANDERY & DAGMAR FONDEN OF DENMARK

Members and Approved Aspirants of the Dagmar Commandery huddled around their laptops or iPhones to ZOOM themselves into the living rooms and offices of their fellow Dames and Knights. They zoomed in from all over the world England, Lithuania, Sweden, Denmark, Georgia, and Canada.

Yes Canada! We were delighted to have HE Conventual Bailiff Grand Commander Ian Reid, GCSJ, MMSJ and Bar join our meeting, particularly because it was 05:00 hrs. in Vancouver, BC, when he joined the meeting. Our Grand Commander addressed several issues with us including the impact of COVID-19 on the activities of our Sovereign Order internationally for example, the office has been in lockdown for almost three months; almost every investiture in 2020 has been either cancelled or postponed and that the Sovereign Council Meeting may suffer a similar fate. He talked about the charitable activities of various commanderies; the substantive changes to the Rules of the Order that are before the Sovereign Council; the reunification discussions that are ongoing and he made reference to the Pro Fide Report, which is available on the International Website.

While COVID-19 prevented us from gathering in person and going for dinner after the meeting, the virus did not prevent us from gathering, conducting our business, and enjoying the pleasure of each other's company.

The following were elected to the 2020-2021 Board of Directors of the Commandery Council:

- Dame Jytte Jørgensen, DSJ
- Chevalier Erik Schmidt, KGSJ
- Commander Jens Vexø, KCSJ
and approved aspirants
- Glenna Baptista Henriksen
- Benjamin Klint
- Anders Johansen

having agreed to act as a non-voting honorary directors until they are invested.

The following appointments were approved:

Commander*	Commander Jens Vexø, KCSJ
Deputy Commander*	Chevalier Erik Schmidt, KGSJ
Almoner**	Aspirant Anders Johansen Committee: Michael Folke Hellensberg Committee: Thomas Bo Larsen, KSJ
Herald & Governance	Chevalier Lars Hawalwschka Madsen, KGSJ
Historian	Chevalier Torben Lindholm, KGSJ
Marshal	Dame Lynda-May Vexø, DCJSJ
Deputy Marshal*	Dame Jytte Jørgensen, DSJ Committee: Dame Evelyn Sarah, DSJ Committee: Aspirant Joe Beck Milket
Membership**	Aspirant Glenna Baptista Henriksen Committee: Commander Jens Vexø, KCSJ
Revenue Development	Chevalier Michael Dalgaard, KSJ Committee: Chevalier Thomas Jørgensen, KSJ Committee: Dame Lynda-May Vexø, DCJSJ Committee: Chevalier Erik Schmidt, KGSJ Committee: Chevalier Lars Hawalwschka Madsen, KGSJ
Receiver General	Dame Lynda-May Vexø, DCJSJ
Secretary**	Aspirant Benjamin Klint
Strategic Planning/Business Plan	Aspirant Merethe Klint Committee: Dame Lynda-May Vexø, DCJSJ

NOTE: * denotes voting member; ** denotes non-voting until their investment

In his President's Report Commander Jens A. Vexø announced that:

- ✚ We were proceeding with our Inaugural Investiture 30-31 October 2020 unless situations changed with COVID-19 which would make it difficult to carry on.
- ✚ We will be holding our Strategic Planning 2-day, over-night meeting late July/early August 2020, which will result in the writing of a 3-5-year Business Plan.
- ✚ We will commence a Feasibility Study to determine the support for building our Children's Hospice in Denmark.
- ✚ Our first fund raising campaign will begin the early part of June.
- ✚ We have six approved aspirants and high expectations for more before the end of the summer potential petitions.
- ✚ We are operating with a balanced budget and no debts.
- ✚ We have designed, achieved LPC approval and filed for registration of the heraldic Coat of Arms for the Dagmar Commandery.
- ✚ We have established a good working relationship with the Lutheran Church of Denmark and will continue to nurture this going forward.
- ✚ We have a Succession Plan in place that will see members rotating responsibilities annually to learn all the operational facets of the Dagmar Commandery.
- ✚ We have a good working relationship with the European Commanderies in England, Scotland, and Finland and that we will be working to strengthen those relationships and to cultivating relationships with Brittany and Hungary.
- ✚ We will enhance our internal and external lines of communication. And
- ✚ We will utilize the International Website more when recruiting prospective members.

We are proud to say that the Dagmar Commandery has been represented at the Investitures of the Glasgow Commandery, Tampere Commandery and the Commandery of the Palm Beaches this term. If the COVID-19 situation continues to improve we will be represented at the Sovereign Council Meeting and the investitures of the Sierras Commandery and the Vancouver Commandery.

The following Directors were elected to the Fonden (Foundation) Board:

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| • Commander Jens A. Vexø, KCSJ | President |
| • Dame Jytte Jørgensen, DSJ | Vice-President |
| • Anders Johansen | Almoner (Honourary) |
| • Dame Lynda-May Vexø, DCJSJ | Receiver General |
| • Chevalier Erik Schmidt, KGSJ | Director-at-large |

Commander Jens A. Vexø, KCSJ drew special attention to the 10 Founding Members of the Dagmar Commandery for their dedication, commitment, support and most importantly their loyalty.