

Barony Business Meeting
July 11, 2007
Meeting Minutes

Meeting opened 7:06 pm

Attendance: eLeri, Hobbe, Grim, Louise, Sheldon, Yoshitune, Lily, Ignatia, Laurencia, Emerson, James Allen, Angus, Ruth, Toki, Meadhbh, Nicholas, Macsen, Deonna, Lilith, and newcomers Dave Ogsbury, Connie Carter. Welcome!

The next meeting: Aug 1st - No meeting
 Sept 5th - Amsterdam YMCA
 Oct 3rd - Site TBA
 Nov 7th - Site TBA

Minutes: June - accepted as written

Officers Reports

Arts and Sciences:

Report: Report to Kingdom filed.

Pennsic: Take the opportunity to teach a class or attend some!

Chamberlain: Have completed inventory for what is at Lily's house. After Pennsic will retrieve rest of equipment at Caine's and complete inventory. Then we will know what size storage space is needed.

Chancellor Minor: Not present. No report.

Chatelaine: Not present. Genevieve is not feeling well, and will have to miss both the event this weekend and the demo on the 18th.

Hospitaller: The Rotterdam Library demo is Wednesday, July 18th. It starts at 7pm, so be there at 6:30 for set-up. Bring projects you're working on to show off.

Lilith now has her license and a car, so will be available for daytime demos. Contact her.

Demo-in-a-box: Want to develop this, so that we are not "reinventing the wheel". Will ask for funds in the future, to outfit this box.

Chronicler: Nothing new to report.

Web Minister: Nothing new to report.

Historian: Added the June, 2007 issue of The Snowflake and the Wars of the Roses XXVII program to the files.

Clerk: Nothing to report.

Exchequer:

Roses: Just received last receipts. Will be able to complete event report now.

Balance = \$16,654.07. \$119.06 encumbered to the Chancellor Minor office has reportedly been spent, but receipts not submitted yet.

Finance Committee: Still working on officer budgets. The following motions passed: \$200 for sideline support (cart, supplies), \$750 for Pennsic transportation and supplies, bid for Crown Tournament.

Inventory: Worked with Chamberlain to inventory equipment. The autocrat box is at Lily's. Will look to purchase some storage totes to replace failing boxes. Will complete after Pennsic. Also, Lily requests inventories from officers, baronial members who hold equipment in their possession like the Gold Key, Iron Key, any office supplies, etc.

Clerk of Reservations:

Sumer Archery Shoot - Send reservations to Nicholas. Site fees: Adults \$7, Age 6-17 \$6, Age under 6 is free. Rakawana members receive a \$2 discount. NMS \$3 will be charged to adult non-members.

Winter Nights - Who is the Clerk?

Knight Marshal:

Practice: Monday nights, 6-9pm, the site is at Collins Park, the side lawn of the Library. Practice has to be cancelled this past Monday due to lightning and rain.

Pennsic: Get your kit together and prepare for war! Snowberg will again be great this year!

Fencing Marshal: Not present. No report.

MOL: In the past month, Hobbe authorized in combat archery, Alberic authorized in Polearm, and Angus re-authorized in all forms of Fencing.

Snowflake Pursuivant: Nothing new to report.

Seneschal:

Future Bids: Accepting bids for events to be held in February 2008. This is traditionally the time period for Crystal Snowflake Ball, so looking for a bid for this event. Question: When do we decide not to do an event? It hasn't really happened yet. Further discussion.

Meetings: Still looking for new sites.

Request that the Baronial Financial Committee meet briefly after the business meeting. Also, thank you to the committee for moving swiftly on motions.

EK Website: Stress again, you need to send your event announcement to Seneschal before submitting to GINGER.

Elections: Offices up for a vote this month: Financial Committee "At-Large" positions Four nominations received so far: Laurencia, Emerson, Sheldon, and Ignatia. Motion by Emerson to close the nominations. Second by Angus. Passed. Vote by secret ballot. Tellers were Meadhbh and James Allen. Results: Emerson, Laurencia and Sheldon were elected. Offices coming up:

September: Seneschal. One nomination received so far: Toki will run for a second term.

Demos

Held: None.

Scheduled: See Hospitaller report.

Proposed: None.

Events

Sumer Archery Shooto: July 14, 2007

Equipment at Lily's house has been picked-up. Roving range is ready to go and the site is freshly mown. Remember, it is a dry site. Bring heraldry to post around field. Potluck feast. Short Baronial court. Is Baronial Champion of Archery Tournament, as well as other shoots during the day. The new Pennsic standards will be somewhat in force. Combat archery authorizations can be held if a marshal for that form is present. Ruth and Sheldon will host a Post-Revel at their house.

Pennsic: July 27 - August 12, 2007

Daybooks: We still have some, to offer for donation.

Concordian Encampment: Block N01.

Social: Tuesday, 6pm of war week. Please contact Their Excellencies with idea of what you will bring and if you have tables to share. They will have a short court there too.

Bardic Workshop tba one evening.

Winter Nights: October 13, 2007

Going well. Have cook.

Crown Tournament Bid: November 3, 2007

Bid submitted to Kingdom. No response yet.

Bjorn's Ceilidh: November 17, 2007

Site is Ukranian Club in Cohoes. Cook is Lilith with Gavin.

Financial Committee hasn't voted on this budget yet. Still in discussion.

Old Business

Proposed Amendments: See April Snowflake for text. This is the third month of discussion, and voting will occur at the end of discussions. [Note: only reporting new commentary here, see June minutes for full commentary]

1) Add refund policy to proposed bid items.

Ruth: What if we have a Refund Request Form at troll? For people to fill out, with an explanation of the process. Might save wear and tear on troll volunteers.

Vote: 12 - Yea, 6 - Opposed, 0 - Abstain

Amendment Passed.

2) Change term & election of at-large Financial Committee members

Vote: 0 - Yea, 16 - Opposed, 2 - Abstain

Amendment Failed.

3) Seneschal is encouraged to attend Curia Regis.

Vote: 1 - Yea, 6 - Opposed, 11 - Abstain

Amendment Failed.

4) Add to Exchequer - Must have internet access and email (mirrors Kingdom Law)

Vote: 11 - Yea, 5 - Opposed, 2 - Abstain

Amendment Passed.

5) Add purpose of Policy Review Meeting

James Allen: Like the Magna Carta, we wish this to be a living document.

Angus: Thank you, James Allen, for comparing our Policies to the Magna Carta!

Vote: 14 - yea, 3 - opposed, 2 - abstain

Amendment Passed.

Proposed Amendment: Read at the June business meeting. See July Snowflake for exact wording. First month of discussion.

1) Add default refund policy to list of event bid suggestions

eLeri: Autocrat is not mentioned in default policy, could go around autocrat to Exchequer.

Also, there is a requirement for income to offset refund, that is not good policy.

Toki: Pigeon-holes autocrats and might blindside

James Allen: While approving of the idea of a default policy, is opposed to current wording. 24 hour advance request is enough.

Ignatia: Has a problem with the current wording.

Lilith: If the requirement for income to offset refund is only for the feast, the policy must state so.

Sheldon: Favors idea, but has problem with wording.

Grim: Should it be rewritten? Can it be in this time frame?

Domesday: Not discussed.

New Business

1) Combat authorization cards, both heavy and light, are coming in. If you don't get yours, please contact either Leri or Lily.

Socials

1) Garbed Pot-Luck: August 26th, 1-9pm at the Burnt Hills Baptist Church in Burnt Hills. Room for fighting and fencing outdoors. Kitchen isn't good for cooking, but prepping and reheating is fine. Can hold dancing in hall, too.

Announcements

- 1) Bardic Workshop: 7/13, 7:30pm at Toki's. Circle outside around fire, bring chairs and snacks if desired. Theme: Non-specialty, do something different.
- 2) Brewer's Guild Meeting: 7/15, 7pm at Ruth and Sheldon's house. Topic: Ale
- 3) Choir: Every 1st, 3rd and 5th Tuesday, Hamilton Union Presbyterian Church.
- 4) Dance: For July and August 23rd, Thursdays, in Room 3202 of the Student Union. 7-9pm. August 2nd, practice is at Pennsic, along with the other nights there. Aug 16th is at Mother's, then starting August 30th move to Academy Hall Auditorium. See Sheldon for details.
- 5) Athena's Thimble: On hiatus for summer.
- 6) Knitting: 7/22 at Irene's home, 1pm. Will be making stockings without patterns. See Lady Louise for information.
- 7) Archery: Every Sunday at Macsen's unless he puts word out on concordsnow list.
- 8) Their Excellencies announced that the new leather coronets should be making their debut at Pennsic, and that they cost less than originally approved! Vivat! Also, at Their Court at Pennsic, on the night of the Baronial Social, Their Excellencies would like to hear reports on progress at the war. How many combatants, archers, side tournaments, the shopping war point, etc.
- 9) Louise thanked Yoshitsune for putting the award lists onto the Baronial website.

Meeting closed 8:54 pm.