# **Skraeling Althing Baronial Council Meeting**

Practicum - February 24, 2018 @12pm

#### Attendance:

Her Excellency Catherine Townson - Baroness
Dame Marguerite Gingraix - Baronial Seneschal
Lady Petronill of Seashire - Baronial Herald
Master Giovanni de Enzinas - Baronial Exchequer
Mistress Ælfwyn of Longwood - Baronial Marshall
THL Constance of Caldrithig - Baronial Chatelaine
Lady Jane Caldwell - Baronial Signet & Scribe
Baroness Lucia de Enzinas - Seneschal, Canton of Caldrithig
Kniaginia Xristina Viacheslavova - Seneschal, Stronghold of Greyfells
Baron Duncan Gabh MacLeod
Lettice Young - note taker only, for Dame Marguerite Gingraix

## Agenda:

- 1) Lawspeaker vote
- -Dame Marguerite asked everyone if they had voted either privately by email, or if they would like to vote publicly in the meeting. After receiving all votes, the majority vote was stated for the group
  - 2) College of Heralds requesting funds
- -Dame Marguerite brought to the attention of the group an email request for funds, approximately \$7 per person. The Barony of Ben Dunfirth has already contributed \$300. -THL Sciath ingen Chaennaig, Trillium Herald, called into meeting to explain what the funds are for and why different kingdoms have different fees. THL Sciath explained that it is the baronies that pay, not the kingdoms, and the amount is determined by the society.
- -Purpose of funds is to cover administrative fees. This once meant mailings, but now that everything is online there is no need for this. THL Sciath will ask at the next herald meeting what the money is going towards.

#### 3) Baronial Muster

- -THL Constance and Baron Duncan presented their proposal. Outline of proposal passed out and discussed.
- -All amenities are provided on this site if there is volunteer work put in ahead of time (ie. prepping firewood, collecting water). Site is used as a horse field, will have to clean up as you go
- -Questions about costs and map legend: shade tents will be minimal cost, will be bar on site that only serves non alcoholic drinks
- -Indoor space not disabled accessible. No dog activities scheduled, but leashed dogs welcome.
- -Bring drinking water. Site is BYOB, there is no sale of alcohol or liquor license
- -Event will be tightly scheduled
- -Catherine Townson moved to approve, seconded by Lucia de Enzinas, PASSED

#### 4) Demos and Promotion

- -Constance brought forward costs of summer demos to be approved
- -Upper Canada Village demo expected cost of \$750. Requested budget approval of \$650 for food, last year's cost was \$539 (figure from Helen)
- -Giovanni de Enzinas moved to approve this budget, seconded by Catherine Townson, PASSED
- -Baronial Chatelaine is out of postcards that are passed out at events such as Geek Market, KingCon, Upper Canada Village, and Museum of History.
- -Requested approval of \$98 for 1000 postcards that have already been ordered
- -Ælfwyn of Longwood moved to approve, seconded by Catherine Townson, PASSED

### 5) Discussion about compensation/free entry to events/free feast

- -Catherine Townson opened the discussion about the possibility of comping royal entourage, as the royals are already comped
- -Entourage aren't required to be there, purpose is to find people already on site to help
- -It is up to royalty to comp their entourage if they choose
- -Feast steward not always comped, it depends on the autocrat
- -Compensating some people and not others can show that some contributions are valued more than others
- -If too many people are comped, the event won't make money and can be in danger of not breaking even

- 6) New business around the room:
- -Xristinia Viacheslavova discussed Break the Back of Winter in the Stronghold of Greyfells
- -KingCon is running the same weekend, Constance is running the booth there
- -There are new event stewards for events in Greyfells stepping up
- -Break the Back of Winter is to be run every second year
- -Catherine Townson is running the A&S competition at Break the Back of Winter
- -Constance of Caldrithig is willing to help with any other demos. Please ask if you'd like her help!
- -Catherine Townson discussed her term ending as Baroness. Please ask if you have any questions about the position!
- -She also discussed her term as Webminister ending in April, she is willing to train a replacement. Job is not difficult, she will stay in position until a replacement is found
- -Ælfwyn of Longwood stated there is a new canton marshall, the papers are being processed now
- -Jane Caldwell stated the scribes are awesome
- -Giovanni de Enzinas stated we still have money, everything is good
- -Michelle de Enzinas discussed the importance of signed contracts. The church that Practicum was presently being held in was double booked, we had to make room for another group that came for the wrong week

No other business to discuss. Meeting adjourned.