

Canton of Caldrihig
Business Meeting
March 14th, 2021, 4pm
Online only

Agenda

1. Review of Practicum
2. Discussion of applications for Seneschal and Exchequer
3. Discussion of Lawspeaker election
4. Officer reports
5. Around the room

Attendees: Constance, Duncan, Gina, Jacquine, Marina, Alais, Michael, Lucia, Hey You, Eslebeth, Jane Caldwell, Cecillia, Cynthia, Petronil, Maye, Rozyland, Siglinde

1. Review of Practicum

What happened: Despite having been sold the capacity to run concurrent meetings from one account, the system would not let us run concurrent meetings.

This affected the Bacon class, and the mushrooms class, since the problem was solved, but the new links were not yet published until around 11:30 (Beans had to be cancelled for a different reason). Many of the other classes running in the morning were pre-reg, so we had email addresses to send the new links to.

We had about 85 people in attendance – a normal year averages about 100. We took in no money and spent no money.

Lessons learned:

If you want to run multiple meetings, have multiple accounts (don't trust the salesman)

Have registration as you would normally, so you know who's interested in each class so you can easily distribute new meeting links if you need to. Don't use the tech to run registration.

Don't facilitate and be the steward. You want to be available to handle tech issues that come up, without also having responsibilities to take care of.

Need a communications plan for the worst case scenario.

2. Discussion of applications for Seneschal and Exchequer

We'll start with Exchequer: Cecillia, do you have any surprises for us?

We continue not to have any applicants for Exchequer. This is a required position, that means that if we don't find a replacement, and soon, we could be put into abeyance. The job is not as hard as it seems, and there is plenty of support both locally and at Kingdom.

We have one applicant for Seneschal, it is Duncan. He is an active member, and has been Seneschal (in Tor Brant) before. If you have any questions for Duncan, please raise your hand.

Gina: will your Baronial role get in the way of your canton role

Duncan: Neither the Chatelaine nor the archery marshal has much time commitment, so I don't think it's going to be an issue.

Petronil: When is your Chatelaine term up

Constance: Next April

Petronil: What are you worried about in the job

Duncan: Just making sure that we get volunteers for other officer positions.

Lucia: the worst part of seneschal was dealing with city. have you been warned?

Petronil: Yes, please tell us what you think about that

Duncan: Haven't done it before, but I have telephone and email, and I have people I can ask for advice when I need it.

We will vote on Duncan's application next month.

Back to Exchequer at Cecilla's request. Elsebeth is applying for exchequer. Cecillia commits to helping with reports for a couple of quarters. Elsebeth will send an official application. We will vote on this next month.

3. Discussion of Lawspeaker election

We are selecting the next Lawspeaker. There are three candidates, Emer, Adrielle and our own Siglinde. You can watch the all candidates meet'n'greet on the Kingdom Facebook group. Further information can be found on our website.

You are entitled to an opinion regardless of age or membership status. Please communicate your preference to me by any means.

4. Officer reports

Seneschal: we are at the time of year where we would typically start planning Hare. Do we want to plan to have it and possibly have to cancel – or do we just want to give it a miss this year?

Rozyland: Want to plan. Since there is no deposit for the site = no risk

Maye: Wants to discuss more before deciding

Gina: I would rather see something online than cancel it.

Jane C: Perhaps we could brainstorm on virtual variations of a traditional Hare.

Estienne Second Gina

Hey You: I'm thinking about what Feast of the Hare is. It's not so much talking heads. I think of it as a more socially-focused event. Many of the activities are physical in nature.

Petronill: I think we should go for a combo event (online/offline) - definitely brainstorm

Duncan: Given that we're being told that everyone can be jaded by Sept, we can be reasonably certain we'll be fine by Nov. But we're used to cancelling by now.

Adrienne I think that we can't be confident at all - not with the roll out i am seeing here.

Cecillia: we should budget for no more than half the usual intake and attendance when planning.

In that case, we will brainstorm next month about what a Hare might look like, and how we feel about that.

Exchequer: Nothing new.

Archery: Nothing We anticipate we won't be starting for a couple of months anyway cause it's still march, silly Constance

Web: Lawspeaker page is there, but other than that nothing to report.

Herald: Are you going to step down if you become Lawspeaker? Yes. Looking for a replacement. Nothing else to report.

Baronial Seneschal: TE want us to consider the succession, as they are half way through their term.

5. Around the room

Petronill: Rough week. Sad that we didn't get to see anyone's faces today

Cecilla: Nothing

Estienne: Nothing

Hey You: Nil

Duncan: Made a blueberry pie for pie day. Happily carving more combs. Made a huge sale to a repeat customer.

Gina: Baronial Clark-Register is open

Jacqueline: Nothing

Jane Caldwell: Nothing

Lucia: Things are going okay. Painters group had someone from Manitoba sit this month, and next month we're having a random internet friend. Anyone is welcome to participate on the painting nights even if you're not painting, and anyone can use the Kingdom zoom for stuff.

Marina: Cooks' calendar is initiated for 2022, cooks are selected. Ealdormere cooks is cooking the calendar recipe from the 2021 calendar.

May: Committed myself to recording and posting a piece for the Great Performances, an SCA Bardic II

Alais/Michael: Happy to report, every is normal and common

Rozyland: all quite here

Siglinde: doing 100 days of A&S again. Recommends new book The Children of Ash and Elm. Fascinating reading.

Constance: we are expecting Kit to be posted back to Skrael this summer.

Meeting ended 4:55.