

Sunday October 15th 2023, 4:00pm

AGENDA

1. Newcomer's/Welcome Back - Report
2. Feast of the Hare - Progress Update
3. Feast of Lombardy - Update
4. Tudor Holiday Dinner Proposal
5. Officer Reports
6. Around the Room

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Attendance: Gina, Petronill, Alais and Michael, Christabel, "Sarah's Ipad", Cecilia, Elsbeth, Wilhelm Sebastien, May, Estienne, Duncan, Morag, Aelswithe

1. Newcomer's Welcome Back Potluck Report:

Christabel reported that it was very successful: it was fun, we had good turn out, people fenced, chatted, ate food, danced, about 5 newcomers came.

She suggested that we should do this again. The location worked very well for a small low-key activity such as this.

Cecilia reported that "pass the hat" worked great for paying for the site rental (we paid 50\$ for the rental and collected just over 50\$ in donations).

2. Feast of the Hare - Progress Update

Cecilia summarized the report that Lorette had provided to her because she couldn't make the meeting:

37 people currently pre-registered, all staffing positions filled but we're still looking for kitchen and cleanup volunteers, two merchants confirmed, and 3 classes currently scheduled. Gina is coordinating the class schedule as well as the Select Six tournament. Someone asked about a bardic room and Lorette redirected them to Gina so that it can use the A&S and dance space.

The topic of presences had come up and Lorette has decided that space in the main hall will be used for setting up sitting and socializing space to maintain good and safe traffic flow.

She is planning a heraldry corner, thanked Cecilia for posting the social media announcements, and asked the Chatelaine to bring Gold Key to the event as several newcomers would be expected.

Gina asked a question about the specifics of the A&S class scheduling and we determined that we would d a quick FB messenger chat with Lorette after the meeting to figure out the answer.

3. Feast of Lombardy - Progress Update

Cecilia summarized the report that Constance had provided to her as she couldn't make the meeting:

We're currently on the Kingdom calendar, the website is up and running, geast tests are proceeding, entertainment is being organized, and additional staff positions are being filled.

4. Tudor Holiday Dinner Proposal

Christabel presented a Tudor Dinner Practice Proposal

She would like to hold a feast practice, which would include practicing Tudor cooking, manners, eating, and entertainment.

There would be room for a minimum of 12 participants (not practical to run smaller) and a max 24

Her initial concep was that the Canton would rent space, pay into canton for cost of rental and similar for expenses of food

Canton handle rent, food management outside of Canton management but would involve the money people were paying for admittance

There was some discussion on how this model would probably not work because of the rules regarding disbursements and deposits which require clearer tracking and accountability, but that we could probably find a model by which this proposal could work within the Society's rules, with the most likely options being that either the usual food reimbursement rules would apply similar to events , or that the food would be a food group outside the canton (And thus people would be allowed to attend without joining the food group as well), or possibly another model.

Elsbeth volunteered to confirm with kingdom exchequer and then discuss with Christabel to figure out which approach we preferred, and then that version of the proposal will come back to the Canton for voting and reconsideration.

Christabel was asked if she had a date in mind: Answer: would depend on site availability, no specific date in mind.

Cecillia asked if Tudor garb was required, answer: whatever you're closest is, would like to encourage people to be as late period as possible.

Petronill asked if there would be a persona element as well: answer: Up to the individuals

5. Officer Reports

Seneschal: Cecilia reported that the Kingdom Calendar is now offering to put local practices and meetings on the calendar, and she has submitted the armoured, fencing, and dance practices in addition to the monthly meetings.

Exchequer: Elsbeth reported that May will be taking over at Hare

6. Around the Room

There were no around the room items except some general laughter at the shenanigans that had ensued when attempting to start the meeting and the sneaky way that Zoom doesn't warn people clearly when they become the host so it's easy to not notice if not explicitly pointed out.

Meeting adjourned