

Baronial Council meeting – February 23, 2020 at Practicum

12:00 noon

attendees:

Baroness Gina Dragoni –Baronial Seneschal

Baron Dafydd ap Alan –Landed Baron of Skraeling Althing

Baroness Avelyn Wexcombe of Great Bedwyn -Landed Baroness of Skraeling Althing

Lady Petronill of Seashire –Baronial Herald

Lord Giovanni Orseolo –Baronial Exchequer

Riccardo Columbo –Baronial Clerk Register

THL Constance of Caldrthig –Caldrithig's Seneschal

THL Jane Caldwell –member of populace

Brief meeting chaired by Gina

Signatures for Change of Officer Form for Clerk Register, effective immediately. Welcome Riccardo!

Baronial Persuivant/Herald – current no applications. Action: Petronill to discuss idea with some potential volunteers.

Baronial Muster bid from Baron Duncan – this bid needed some changes from autocrat.

1) Consider hosting on a different date (since date selected was weekend before Pennsic).

Perhaps look into Labour Day weekend if Baron's Howe event is not going forward.

2) Drop expected numbers to match attendance from previous year.

3) Consider having an archery only; or because this bid was for a horse farm – perhaps an archery & equestrian event. It would mean getting the Kingdom equestrian marshal involved.

4) For the money allocated for fighter hydration & potluck feast roast – allocate half these funds and put on a dayboard (light lunch) for all attendees.

5) Consider arms-length when assigning landowners to be autocrats of an event. Though this could not specifically be found in Society rules, it was looked at with a biased perception.

**Action:** Gina to discuss these changes with autocrat.

Discussion of repetitive events: we need ways to foster new fresh themes and ideas for our events (both at Baronial and canton level) to make them fun and interesting for new & experienced attendees. Opportunity to be innovative like rebranding an event for archery only may bring additional participants. This council will be looking for innovation before approving all future event bids.

Baronial Chatelaine position: no applications have been received. This role organises demonstrations within the Barony.

Bank changeover: Change from our last Baronial Council meeting. Leave Lynette/Eluned on the signatory as a long-term member so Xristina does not need to travel in from Kingston for signatures. Some members of this council were under the impression that Xristina may be competed for in Crown Tournament again in the foreseeable future, therefore it would be better to keep Eluned rather than flip back and forth every year or so. TD bank is now ready for the new set of signatures.

Yahoo group: the Baronial yahoo group can be deleted. This **action** should be done through the yahoo group administrator (believe it is Ronda). Keep emails through skraelingalthing @ emaildodo.com instead.

Upper Canada Village budget: Going along with previous years, it was moved by Constance and seconded by Riccardo to allow a budget of \$650 to purchase foods for this demo again this

summer. The \$750 gift from UCV will come back to the Barony funds. Voted in favour, unanimously.

Fall Crown Tourney bids: Constance has submitted to Caldrihig. Canton to vote and forward to the Privy Council for vote. **Action:** Gina to notify Kingdom Seneschal of expectations.

Baronial Travel Funds: this has been approved at the Society level.

The previous version of the Kingdom Financial Policies forbade Baronies from having travel funds. The new version Kingdom financial Policies now permits it, and that version has been approval at Society. This opens the opportunity to add our travel fund provision into our financial policies. Since there are other changes that are being requested by Kingdom Society, Giovanni will update our Financial Policies.

**Action:** Giovanni to create new fiscal policy to reflect these changes and review existing fiscal policies already written.

**Followup:** Baronial Council will need to approve new Financial Policies.

**Followup:** Once approved, send to Kingdom Exchequer for approval.

**Action:** Operational policies to be reviewed to ensure they mesh with new fiscal policy changes. Giovanni & Gina to work together, before sending to Kingdom level.

Gina requested sharing of knowledge for any SCA member who is interested in taking on the role of Baronial Scribe.

Baron & Baroness require more sealing wax for Baronial scrolls. It was move by Constance and seconded by Riccardo to purchase 50 sticks of sealing wax at a cost no more than \$225 Canadian. Agreed upon unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 12:59pm.