Curia Minutes – 04/03/2018

Seneschal – Angharad verch Moridic Exchequer – Sile Dhubh Inghean Mhic an Mhadaigh Poursuivant – Leana Doucet Knight Marshal – Peter de Bracebridge Captain of Archers – Cuan an Sagteoir mac Fintain Irruis Minister of Lists – Angharad verch Moridic Chatelaine – Maud de Bracebridge Chronicler – Reinhart Basarab Draculesti Webminister – Eudes de Creully Eyda von Rothenburg Jeanne de Robin Hakan Al Bashir

Curia opened at 7:42pm

1. Approval of the previous meeting minutes.

First: Reinhart Second: Cuan Vote: 6 in favour, 5 abstentions, 0 opposed. Motion is passed.

2. Expenses for BIA went over budget. The total cost for the food came out to \$1760. The projected cost was \$1700. Vote to approve the extra amount:

First: Reinhart Second: Leana Vote: 6 in favour, 5 abstentions, 0 opposed. Motion is passed.

- 3. Procedures to put in place for budgeting future events. We are a bit tight on our finances at the moment so we need to be more careful with our budgeting. Many of our past events have had issues with going over budget. For future events, there needs to be a deadline to register for feast and everyone attending feast needs to pay in advance. Sile suggested setting the deadline for 2 weeks before the event. This is a standard practice for most groups. Payments will not be refundable, except possibly in extreme circumstances (ie, the event being cancelled because of a blizzard).
- The rental contract for Wesley United Church is up for renewal. They are asking for a \$10 per month increase for next year, bringing the rent from \$260/month to \$270/month. The new rate would take effect beginning on May 1st.

First: Peter Second: Leana Vote: 6 in favour, 5 abstentions, 0 opposed. Motion is passed. 5. Proposed bid for EK 12th Night 2019. Sile submitted a bid for us to host this event on Saturday, January 5th 2019 from 10h00 to 23h00. It would be held at Centre Communautaire Paul-Emile Lepine, 150 boul Perrot, l'Ile-Perrot, QC, J7V 3G1. The site is accessible. We would be renting the large room and kitchen for feast, and there are 4 more rooms available for a Royal Room, men and women's changing rooms, and a room for A&S. The proposed activities are dancing, singing, games, A&S classes, 9-man morris tournament and shopping. The feast will have an Italian theme. Sile presented two sets of figures for the costs. The first was for a dry site, the second was with hiring a vendor to sell alcohol. Ultimately, having the alcohol vendor would cost each attendee an additional \$5. After much discussion, it was voted on that the event would be dry:

First: Leana Second: Reinhart

Vote: 6 in favour, 5 abstentions, 0 opposed. Motion is passed.

The total costs for the event will \$2985.00. With 100 attendees, the projected profit would be \$15.00.

First: Leana Second: Reinhart Vote: 6 in favour, 5 abstentions, 0 opposed. Motion is passed.

- 6. We have 2 demos coming up. Salon de la Passion Medievale (May 4-5-6) and Medievales de Lanaudiere (July 28-29). Maud would prefer that we concentrate our efforts on Medievales de Lanaudiere. We have a much better relationship with the organizers of Lanaudiere than with those of Salon and they give us much better exposure. Cuan brought up the point that he attended Salon last year before he rejoined the SCA. He was actively looking for us but could not find our encampment. At Salon, we will have the same location outside as we had last year. At Lanaudiere, we will have the location that they gave us our first time there. Maud would prefer for us to give demonstrations of our skills that others can try, rather than teaching official classes. Above all, we should be talking to attendees and showing them what we do and trying to get them involved. Essentially, if you are only able to participate in one demo this year, it should be Medievales de Lanaudiere.
- 7. Maud requested a \$50 budget to put together a dayboard for the volunteers at Salon de la Passion Medievale.

First: Sile Second: Reinhart Vote: 6 in favour, 5 abstentions, 0 opposed. Motion is passed.

8. EK 50 Year Anniversary Celebration Discussion. Leana has received very few submissions from the populace for the Halls of History display. Lots of people have promised to send her things, but very few have actually sent anything. We need to coordinate a schedule of volunteers to staff the display booth for the duration of the event. Jeanne said that any member of IDD

attending the event will be expected to put in a minimum of 4 hours of volunteer time, whether that be at the history display, acting as a marshal, retaining, etc.

9. Codifying the officer election process. At the moment, we have nothing in writing, either in the Constitution or the SOPs, about how we choose our Baronial officers. This should be part of the Constitution. The only requirements in EK or Society Law are that the individual must be a paid member and must be found acceptable by their Regional or Kingdom superior. The actual selection process is left up to the individual groups to decide. Our process must conform to Quebec Law which does require that members of the Board of Directors of a non-profit (our Curia) be elected by the members of the group. Up until 5 years ago, any open officer positions were announced in Wyrm Words (published monthly), and then officers were voted in by the populace at the next Moot. Moot used to happen 4 times per year. Curia was not in favour of returning to 4 Moots per year, but suggested that we could have 3 (none during the summer months owing to the large number of events taking place), and that we make them mini-events (encouraging garb, having a pot-luck, etc) in order to encourage attendance since we have struggled to achieve quorum at the last few Moots.

The new (old) election process will be published in a Seneschal document for interim use while the official addition to the constitution is worked out and voted on.

10. Archery backstop net replacement. The backstop net that we are currently using at archery is very old and full of holes so arrows are frequently passing through it and hitting the rear wall. After looking at several options, the archers decided on this one (<u>http://www.kustomkingarchery.com/Bearpaw-Dura-Backstop-</u><u>Netting/productinfo/4756/3045/</u>) as being the best value with the necessary stopping power for our range. The cost is \$299US + \$28.00 for shipping within the US. Angharad would have it shipped to a US address where she would pick it up.

First: Reinhart Second: Sile Vote: 7 in favour, 4 abstentions, 0 opposed. Motion is passed.

11. Archery – Cuan would like to eventually like to purchase some of the leather medallion blanks for the archer ranks to present to archers. He thinks it will be a good way to interest those archers that don't participate in our other activities to get move involved. He would also like to purchase new targets down the line. He has found some that are approximately \$100 each and have a lifelong warranty. There was no official request for funds at this time, it was just an item for discussion. Curia is generally in favour of it, but the purchase of the backstop net takes priority and we do not have sufficient funds for both at the moment. Cuan will put together an official proposal to present at a later Curia. Cuan has emailed Camp Temiscouata to inquire about renting their site for our Baronial Archery Championship, to be held in early September. Skraeling Althing has their championship at the end of August so this would open up the possibility of having a border spat with them (our archers attend their event, they attend ours).

- 12. Webminister report The French website is 90% complete and it should be online soon. Eudes introduced his new deputy, Eyda von Rothenburg. He noted that she does not need to be warranted by kingdom because she does not need to have the access codes for the database.
- 13. Reinhart inquired if the baronial website is listed on our business cards, and said that there should be cards available at every practice to hand out to newcomers because they are often unaware that we have a website/Facebook group. This information is on the cards, but we don't have very many of them left. Maud will find out how much it will cost to print new cards because right now we don't have enough to distribute at practices.

Motion to close. First: Leana, Second: Reinhart. Vote: 7 in favour, 4 abstentions, 0 opposed. Curia closed at 9:57pm.