Curia Regis Minutes - May 26, 2008

Meeting: May 26, 2008

Location: Fenix (Cincinnati, Ohio) Attending: HisRM Lutr Ulfkjald

HerRM Tessa of Wight HisRH Ullr Amaranthson HerRH Annelyse Van Gavere

KSen Duchesse Sabine de Rouen, OP KHer Master Dafydd Blaidd, OP KEM Count Alaric LeFevre

KExch Master Aidan Blackstone, OP

KMoAS Baroness Anastasiia Kyrilovna Ivanova

KChron Katerina Peregrine

KChir THLord Cerdic the Blodletere

CSec Lady Morgaine of Flaming Gryphon

Guests:

Master Thorvald Redhair-Incoming Deputy KSen

I Approval of the Agenda: Approved May 26, 2008 9:08

II Approval of the Minutes of the January 2008 meeting – Approved per discussion on Curia Forum.

III Reports: (includes any reports of activity by or about direct deputies)

A. Crown

- 1. Deputies of the Crown Reports
 - a) Houndmaster none
 - b) Midrealm Army General -is in frequent contact with HisRH
 - c) RUM Chancellor –none
 - d) The Secretary of the Baronage –none
 - e) Grand Council none
 - f) Pennsic Castilian
 - i.) Waiting on Castilian proposal/handbook (Dag and Rocco)
 - ii) Rocco will be Pennsic 37's Castilian and Dag will be his deputy. Unsure of Status

2. Pennsic

- a) Did Brannos gather volunteers to build a new Dais for the Presence tent in Midrealm Royal?
 - i)Bethany, also falls to her, Brannos said he will address
- b) Is anyone taking care of the lighting for the Presence tent in Midrealm Royal?

- c) Has Rocco taken care of the walls for the showers in Midrealm Royal?
 - d) Purchase the cooks tent for Midrealm Royal?
 - i)Bethany is taking care of that.
- e) Did Branno find assistance with the maintenance of Pennsic 'stuff' in trailers at Cooper's Lake?
 - f) Multi-year contract for the rental of big blue for Pennsic battle field i) THLady Bethany still working on.
 - g) Brannos has 100 chairs and some tables for around \$200.00

B. Heirs

a)

C. The Kingdom Seneschal

- 1. Money for Pennsic Teen Social
- a)The MOY has been given \$200 for the social for at least the past two years. Not sure of the figure for the previous years.
 - b) KSen is requesting \$200 for the MOY's office. Approved!
- 2. Midrealm License plates
 - a) Ohio groups are beginning petitions for a Midrealm license plate.
- b) KSen requested permission for use of the Midrealm device within all Midrealm lands. This request was approved.
 - c) Petition must include 1,000 people. The organization needs to be able to sell 1,000 of the plates a year. (Meaning the registrations for them once someone buys them). Lady Duvessa spoke with Liz at the Ohio BMV. Her direct number is 614 387-0657 if anyone has any additional specific questions. Link for the form: http://www.bmv.ohio.gov/pdf_forms/4810.pdf The tags will be an additional cost of \$10 to \$25 dollars. The extra money can be designated to a particular modern charity or funds in the SCA such as youth, Pennsic, background checks, kingdom general funds, etc. KSen has given Lady Duvessa permission to begin petitions. Her contact information is: -Carissa M. Spenst, Lady Duvessa of Movilla of the Marche Three Towers 203 Dolan Ct, Mansfield Ohio 44903, dragonnferret@yahoo.com
- d) The KSen has a petition for those that live in Ohio. Depending on the state a certain amount of signatures required. Ohio needs 1000 signature.
- 3. Master Thorvald Redhair is the KSen's current Replacement Deputy.
 - a) He was approved by TRM Palymar and Aislinn, TRH Lutr and Tessa, and Curia. He will remain the KSen Replacement Deputy until the current KS steps down Fall of 2009, Society or Crown denies him the position, or regains his senses and runs away screaming.

- 4. Membership Requirements Proposed law: Each competitor and prospective consort must show proof of memberships valid throughout the term they would serve as Royalty or Each Crown Tournament competitor and prospective consort must provide proof of membership to exceed the length of the proposed reign.
 - a) Discussion of requirement of having membership ensued. Discussion tabled.
 - b) KSen will contact Society and will ask for their guidance.

5. Background Checks

- a) See separate document. The letter was submitted to society and approved.
- b) KSen Duchess Sabine has built a Q&A of the answers she has received from society.
 - c) Currently the law holds the kingdom officers responsible for those who answer to them if they violate the guides for working with youth. KSen recommended the more stringent process. Each kingdom can make more guidelines.

6. Officer Reports

- a) Local and Regional Seneschals are not receiving reports from other group and regional officers. The Seneschal's are responsible for these reports if the officers do not provide them just as the KSen would be responsible if another Kingdom Officer does not report. This is an unnecessary burden. We must set an example at the Kingdom level. Please share your reports with the KSen and tell your deputies that they are required to do the same on the local and regional levels.
- b) Also, in case no one was aware, the KSen must provide Society with a performance evaluation of the other Kingdom officers. This cannot be done without an update on the offices. If, for some reason, Kingdom officers are not able to share reports with the KSen then please at least send the KSen a "state of the office" report by the 10th of March, 10th June, 10th, September 10th, and 10th of December and a end of year update in January. If Officers are already doing own society required reports then it should not be an issue to forward them to the KSen as well.
- c) It may be time to evoke some suspensions. Suggested it might be put in the pale letters.

7. Crown Bid

a) See separate document. Current bid from the Canton of three Hills is not for correct date and may violate 100 mile rule. There are already 3 events on that date. Will have to turn bid down currently.

D. Kingdom Exchequer

- 1. Transfer of the Midrealm money to CD's in order to earn increased interest.
- a) Currently have an interest earning checking account. Can earn 2.4% on a rolling CD. Possibly rolling 40,000.00 in CDs. 4X10,000 every cycle. Will mature every 3 months. Approved. Will contact Society Exch to see what is recommended
- 2. Updating Midrealm Financial Policies
- a) (Article X Financial Accounting Sent in by Maestra Margherita (Ghita) Alessia aka Susan Earley). Is working on
 - 3. Travel Expenses
 - a)Proposing that TRM Lutr & Tessa be given what was leftover when they first stepped down. Approved
 - 4. Reimburse the Regent for his expenses for the week. Curia approved \$300.00 for reimbursement.
 - 5. Will post on Curia list the top 10 of the Baronies with financial wealth. .
 - 6. Three hills have donated cost of rental of big battle field tent at Pennsic.
 - a) Suggested that groups be recognized in pale letters etc. for donating money or things to the kingdom.
 - 7. Budget balances sheet does not include HRM, HRH but will be added.
 - 8. A&S funds
 - a) KoAS will send a letter on behalf of the Midrealm Café Press to approve it so that the fund can legally be accepted by A&S fund

E. Kingdom Minister of Arts and Sciences

- 1. A&S Grants Update
- a) Will be taken off agenda. Will notify Curia when some more information becomes available.
- 2. Permanent site for Spring Crown/Kingdom A&S Update-
- a) Local group concerned that Curia/Kingdom will detrimentally affect the site relations with Drawbridge.
 - b) This hotel can not do FEAST at this site.
 - c) Marshallette loves this site! Many Royal peers like this site as well.
- d) Might consider this site for Fall crown where there is not Kingdom A&S.
 - e) Looking for someplace close to Drawbridge for cooks to practice.
- f) KoAS, KSen. HRM proposed to visit Fenix business meeting on a Sunday on July to discuss use of Drawbridge. Working on the 2010 proposal for Spring Crown at Drawbridge.
- 3. Extending 6 months
- a)KoAS proposed to extend her term for 6 additional months. Her term currently ends on fall crown. She would like to step down at Spring 2009 crown.

b) Does not yet have a replacement. Successor will be in place at beginning of 2009 for training -Approved

F. The Earl Marshal

- 1. Issuing "Recards" for Heavy Weapons is in process for rapier and heavy.
- 2. Q4- Concern that there are no specific rapier youth marshals
- 3. Would like to eliminate the rule on petitioning (with local marshall) for 16&17 yr old fighting with adult. Approved to be eliminated

G. The Kingdom Chronicler

- 1. Website changes/updates are happening.
- a)Would like to discuss and suggestion as to functioning and look and feel.
- 2. Looking for disaster recovery program.
- a) Hot Swap with Daffyd. Looked into getting a service to monitor site. Would probably around \$200 a month. Because we are Nonprofit may be able to negotiate a smaller fee or donation.
 - b) Master Daffyd is currently in charge of passwords. The Webminister is in charge of the roster. There is a need to be able make new accounts and passwords readily. Midrealm website will be redesigned from scratch. This makes some of the password issues moot. Brannos has taken over a project manager of the new system. The new website will be much like the forum.
- 3. KChron will discuss with Rocco some of the difficulties that occurring on the Websites.
- 4. Without signing permission to post can only have a generic position email but not personal form. On Kingdom Website there is a section where one can sign for permission to post on KSen page.
 - 5. KHer will contact Azarel so that phone number can be in the pale.
 - 6. Working on a Kingdom flyer.

H. The Kingdom Herald

- 1. Known World Herald's Symposium
- a) Laurel Sovereign asked in Midrealm will host June of 2009 the Know World Herald's Symposium. Can it be held in conjunction with another event?
 - i) Usually just a symposium, close to an airport.
- 2. Permission to attend the Known World Symposium in 2008 in London, Labor Day weekend.
 - a) KH Daffyd will check into the cost and get back to Curia with

proposal.

I.The Kingdom Chirurgeon

1. Not in attendance

- IV. Curianet: items discussed online and not covered above:
 - A. Take out RUM Chancelor's out of Curia,
 - 1. TRM & TRH can invite them if wanted. KSen will look up wording.
- V. Old Business

A. None

New Business:

- A. A membership list of current folks with approved background checks will be distributed to relevant Kingdom officers. The list will be membership # only.
- 1. Autocrats in charge of an event will be in charge of making sure they are approved.
- B. There needs to be a running log of the law changes.
- 1. KSen is responsible for getting these to happen. Her Grace Sabine asked for review of the current law that needs to be changed from the past.
- 2. The Law needs to be updated. Kingdom Law copies need to come from KSen.
- C. Proposed that new warrants could be signed at coronation instead of crown.
- 1. Could the crown be removed as the ones to sign the warrant. Warrants currently expire with the crown. KEM will look into some examples of this.

Committee of the Whole

Adjourned: May 26th 10:40a.m.

Title Abbreviation Chart

His Royal Majesty (HisRM)
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His Royal Highness (HisRH)
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Kingdom Seneschal (KSen)
Kingdom Exchequer (KExch)
Kingdom (Dragon) Herald (KHer)
Kingdom Earl Marshal (KEM)
Kingdom Chronicler (KChron)
Kingdom Minister of Arts and Sciences (KMoAS)
Kingdom Chirurgeon (KChir)
Minister of Regalia (MoR)
Minister of Youth (MoY)
RUM Chancellor (RUMC)
Pale Editor (PaleEd)
Curia Secretary (CSec)