

## Curia Regis Minutes

Date of Meeting: Monday, May 26, 2003

Location: Crown Tourney (Barony of Fenix)

Attending:

*Pieter van Doorn (HisRM)*

*Nan Astrid of York (HerRM)*

*Alasdair MacFheaghuis (HisRH)*

*Gueniēvedu Dagnōt (HerRH)*

*Astrid of the Yellow Rose (HerSH)*

*Rosamund Beauvisage (KSen)*

*Elena de Vexin (KHer)*

*Midair MacCormaic (KExch)*

*Palymar of the Two Baronies (KEM)*

*Edmund of Hertford (KMoas)*

*Milica of Varna (KChron)*

*Tatiana Marana Melville (KChir)*

Arinwald Rotstein (CSec)

Guests:

*Gwyneth Felton*

*Rory mac Feidhlimidh*

Meeting called to order at: 9:23am

I. Approval of the Agenda

*Approved as amended*

II. Approval of the minutes of the last meeting:

*Approved as amended*

*Correction of wording from 1/12/03 minutes: Section III.B.2 "XVI-200 The research and display of medieval gunnery is to be permitted, but no weapon is to be discharged under any circumstances within the borders of the Middle Kingdom"*

III. Reports: (to include any reports of activity by or about direct deputies)

A. Their Royal Majesties

1. Deputies of the Crown

a. Houndmaster – *Nothing new to report*

b. Chief of Staff of the Army – *Nothing new to report*

c. RUM Chancellor – *Nothing new to report*

d. The Secretary of the Baronage – *Nothing new to report*

e. Grand Council – *Nothing new to report*

2. Kingdom Law Changes

a. Tweaking the laws that require scrolls to be countersigned by both the Sovereign \*and\* the Consort (See Addendum 1)

*Principle approved. Rewrite for language as per feedback from Curia.*

b. Reviewing the work of the Law Review Committee (See Addendum 2)

*Recommendation #1: Recommend this law be rewritten to avoid, any contradictions to Corpora and Kingdom law. KSen to draft new version for review.*

*Recommendation #2: Suggested change from "KINGDOM LAW XVI-501: Content of any official handbook is subject to editing*

**by the appropriate Great Officer and the Crown before publication.” to “KINGDOM LAW XVI-501: Content of any official handbook is subject to editing by the appropriate Great Officer and review by Curia and the Crown before publication.”**

*Recommendation #3: Need to check for duplication in other sections of kingdom law.*

*Recommendation #4: Needs further investigation.*

*Recommendation #5: Drop “Earl” in Society Earl Marshal sentence. Continue discussions on this recommendation on Curianet.*

3. Separating the Signet's office from the Herald's office. (See Addendum 3)  
*Curia recommended rewrite to show interrelationship with Herald's office.*
4. Pennsic  
*Nothing new to report*
5. TOC Bids – (Simple Day)
6. Field Cornets for Their Majesties  
*Master Lothair von Drachenstien brought coronets to Crown Tourney for fitting.*
- B. Their Royal Highnesses  
*Have a partial event attendance schedule started.*
- C. Their Stellar Highnesses
  1. Kingdom Exploratory Group  
*Successfully completed charter*
  2. Principality Events.  
*Fall Cornet scheduled for 10/4/03 in the Shire of Midewinde*
- D. The Kingdom Seneschal
  1. Calendar Secretary  
*Nothing new to report*
  2. Publications Office  
*Lady Juliana of Stonecroft has taken over from Master Sigulf Karlmar.*
  3. Groups in Transition
    - a. *Northshield's poll was overwhelmingly in favor of going Kingdom. The Kingdom status bid packet was sent via e-mail and in hard copy to Mistress Daphne, Society Seneschal, last week.*
    - b. *Sternfeld's polling is nearing its close. Jararvellir's transition is underway, as is the search for Illiton's new Baroness. Flaming Gryphon's Baron and Baroness have announced their desire to step down, and the process has started.*
    - c. *The petition of the Barony of Wurm Wald and the College of St. Carol on the Moor to form a shell barony on the model of those in Oaken met no opposition in investigation. Since Curia approved it at the last meeting pending no uncovering of obstacles or objections, the petition has been forwarded to Mistress Daphne.*
    - d. *Flame's baron and baroness has announced intentions of stepping down.*
    - e. *Shattered Crystal's baron and baroness has announced their intentions of stepping down. The Baron will be stepping down shortly with the Baroness continuing until replacements can be invested.*
  4. Disabilities Coordinator  
*Nothing new to report*
  5. Minister for Youth  
*Lady Nicolaa Halden is the new Minister for Youth.*

6. Cartographer  
*The Ealdormere/Northshield border paperwork was signed at Gulf Wars. The Board approved the ceding of zip codes in SW Kentucky at their April quarterly meeting.*
  7. New Groups Deputy  
*Proto-Incipient canton of Red Spears "Catteden" elevated to Incipient status.*
  8. Archivist  
*Nothing new to report*
  9. Curia Secretary  
*Nothing new to report*
  10. Deputy for Databases  
*Nothing new to report*
  11. Chatelaine
    - a. Resubmission of Newcomers' Booklet  
*Lady Anna has requested more time for rewrite before resubmitting.*
    - b. Successor.  
*Nothing new to report*
  12. The Law Clerk  
*Nothing new to report*
  13. The Law Committee  
*Nothing new to report*
  14. New Thrones and Great Officer Medallions  
*New thrones for Prince and Princess proposed by Master Jean-Paul Devereaux (planning on demonstrating prototype at Pennsic)*
  15. Kingdom Events
    - a. Spring Coronation  
*Calls for bids going out soon.*
    - b. Spring Crown Tourney/Kingdom A&S  
*Calls for bids going out soon.*
    - c. Fall Coronation  
*Cynnabar (Pentamere) 09/20/03*
    - d. Fall Crown Tourney  
*Caer Anterth Mawr, 10/25/03*
  16. Waiver Secretary  
*Nothing new to report*
  17. Law Changes  
*See III.A.2.a/b*
  18. Pennsic
    - a. Pennsic 32  
*Everything seems to be going fine. Meeting 05/17/03 unearthed no problems.*
    - b. Pennsic 34  
*THL Brennon Egan has withdrawn his letter of intent to autocrat P34. Master Melchor Stoneteeth and Master Thomas Damian Blackmore (Cip) are the remaining candidates. Decision needs to be made to stay on schedule in the KSG agreement created last year.  
Master Melchor Stoneteeth's bid was selected.*
  19. Successor to the Kingdom Seneschal. (Closed discussion; Committee of the Whole)  
*Master Charles Oakley was chosen.*
- E. The Northshield Seneschal

*No report*

- F. The Kingdom Exchequer
1. Current Balances with major deposits and withdraws  
*See Exchequer Addendum*
  2. Balanced Statements  
*Balanced April, April+, and May statements.*
  3. Reports  
*Did 4th quarter report. Domesday Complete!! Completed 1st Quarter report.*
  4. Suspensions  
*None at this time.*
  5. Kingdom Event Proceeds  
*Nothing new to report*
  6. Fund Raising/Donations  
*Donation to T&F RTF: Dragonsmark (\$100)*  
*Donation to P&N RTF: Dragonsmark (\$200)*  
*Donation to P&N RTF: Hrothgeirsford (\$218.50)*  
*Donation to T&F RTF: Castel Rouge (\$100)*  
*From Alderford, \$150, for Cartography Software.*
  7. New Society Information  
*Nothing new to report*
  8. Kingdom Financial Policy  
*Nothing new to report*
  9. The Kingdom Minister of Regalia and Properties (Working on Regalia rules with Countess Tamara)  
*Nothing new to report*
  10. Storage Budget  
*Nothing new to report*
  11. Pennsic  
*Nothing new to report*
  12. *Call for successor to be in July Pale.*
- G. The Earl Marshal
1. Deputies  
*Earl Brannos O'Irongardail has been selected as first deputy.*
    - a. Archery  
*Nothing new to report*
    - b. Equestrian  
*Nothing new to report*
    - c. Rapier  
*Nothing new to report*
    - d. Youth Armored Combat  
*Nothing new to report*
  2. Experimental Weapons  
*None*
  3. Change of wording to royal list (being drafted by law clerk)  
*The draft will be sent over Curianet. The changes are changing the words "crown list(s) or cornet list(s)" to "royal list(s)"*
  4. Tuchux women in the woods battle -- water bearers  
*Reason is that to waterbear in the woods people/groups had to complete a mandatory training course to insure proper cooperation between the waterbearers and the marshalette. The Tuchux women completed that course as a group.*

5. On-line marshal Warrants  
*Question was raised if inclusion in the online marshal's database was the same as having a warrant signed by the crown.*  
*Rosamund advises that signed hard copy warrants be required as opposed to online warrants.*
  6. Political in fighting, rapier community in Northshield  
*Being handled internally at this time.*
  7. Thrown Weapons -- direct reporting to EM then thru the Archer General?  
*Curia had no problem with the TW's program reporting directly to the KEM if KEM had no problem with it. Continues to be investigated with the AG and the KTWM.*
  8. Midrealm Quartermaster Corps, and/or Corps of Engineers. *\*Tabled until further notice*
- H. The Kingdom Chronicler  
*There have been a few complaints from people that they did not receive their Pale. It is suggested that anyone not receiving their Pale to check with Milpitas to insure they are in the database as Pale labels come directly from them.*
1. Editor of the Pale  
*It was requested that the KChron draft a policy statement concerning what is the first content cut and the last to add as space permits.*
  2. Web Minister  
*Nothing new to report.*
  3. Kingdom Historian.
    - a. Midrealm history project (Web based kingdom history book)  
*Nothing new to report.*
  4. Update Chronicler Handbook (Daria Tayt to work on)  
*Nothing new to report.*
- I. The Kingdom Herald
1. Minister of Protocol
    - a. Book of Ceremonies (Thorvald is working on it)  
*Was sent out on Curia net – no comments were made. Would like to have it approved so we can get it to the printers. Rory will be able to get us a good price on printing like he did the Handbook. Will be sold through the Kingdom Stock Clerk.*  
*Approved after a couple minor issues are checked out*
    - b. Protocol Handbook  
*Will be worked on next.*
    - c. Traditions Guide for the Royalty (Will be worked on once the Ceremonies book is completed)  
*Elise is doing one for prince and princess. She sent me a rough draft that she did for Nan Astrid. Draft has been sent to both Thorvald and Duke Dag.*
    - d. How the Kingdom and the Crown Works, a Guide for the Populace (Will be worked on once the other books are completed)
  2. Development of a Guide for the Royalty for Pennsic (Duke Dag will do it. By next Pennsic)  
*His Grace sent a proposed outline which I forwarded to Curia net. So far feedback has been positive and he has been given the go-ahead. He plans on having it completed by Pennsic or at the latest Fall Crown.*
  3. Award Badges
    - a. Silver Acorn (Submitted) (Name passed) *Badge registered at laurel level*

- b. Baton (Submitted) (Name passed) *Badge registered at laurel level*
- c. Order of the Evergreen  
*Badge registered at Laurel level. Some of the order is unhappy with the badge and want a new one. I'm more concerned about getting the name registered and want to discuss it at meeting.*  
*Tabled to the next meeting*
- 4. April Pale call for apps for successor  
*Received two applications; Anna of the Western Hills and Rory mac Feidhlimidh1. The Crown has approved Master Rory as successor. Office turnover will be in the fall at either Coronation or Crown Tournament.*
- J. The Kingdom Chirurgeon
  - 1. Deputies  
*If someone has an advanced medical certificate they can contact Tatiana to be checked out to see if they can become a SCA Chirurgeon faster then normal means*
    - a. Emergency Deputy  
*Cerdic the Bloodletere, George Tyler has been selected.*
    - b. Regionals
    - c. Deputies
      - i. *Kingdom Waterbearer Handbook (Is ready for review)*  
*Nothing new to report.*
      - ii. *Waterbearing at Pennsic*  
*Nothing new to report.*
      - iii. *Waterbearer Successor*  
*Will call for in next Pale*
      - iv. *Training deputy*  
*Determining continued need for office.*
  - 2. Chirurgeon Flyer/Brochure (flyer to hand out at demos and to new people)  
*Nothing new to report.*
  - 3. "Chirurgeoning at Pennsic For Dummies" Handbook (Outlining Responsibilities)  
*Will be renaming this title. Perhaps "Introduction to Chirurgeoning at Pennsic"*
  - 4. Reported Injuries  
*3 or 4 minor transport injuries*
  - 5. Pennsic  
*Master Justin is doing a good job organizing the staff.*
- K. The Minister of Arts and Sciences
  - 1. Deputies
    - a. North Oaken  
*Nothing new to report.*
    - b. South Oaken  
*Nothing new to report.*
    - c. Pentamere  
*Nothing new to report.*
    - d. Midlands  
*Nothing new to report.*
    - e. Constellation  
*In transition with 2 candidates applying. Will announce successor in the next Pale.*

- f. Judges Coordinator  
*Nothing new to report.*
  - 2. The *Artes Draconis* newsletter  
*New issue is out.*
  - 3. The Masterwork Challenge  
*Nothing new to report.*
  - 4. Kingdom A&S fair  
*Completed. There were no Pentathlon entries that made it to kingdom.*
  - 5. Regional A&S Faires  
*All regional went well.*
    - 1. Pentamere
    - 2. Northshield
    - 3. Constellation
    - 4. Midlands
    - 5. North Oaken
    - 6. South Oaken
  - 6. Kingdom A&S Rules Changes  
*The chairs for the five divisional review committees are in place.*
  - 7. The children's A&S  
*15 entries at Kingdom A&S*
  - 8. Traveling arts and sciences showcase  
*A rough draft is complete. Beginning to look for a replacement for Master Charles Oakley.*
  - L. Pennsic
    - 1. Permanent deputy for logistics (i.e. Tables, chairs, etc.) for the continuity of necessary information. Would this be under the purview of the new Quartermaster Corps? \*(Tabled until a corp. is established.)
  - IV. Curianet  
Approved on curianet - Fall 2003 Coronation awarded to the Barony of Cynnabar, to be held on 20 September 2003 at the Chelsea Community Fairgrounds in Chelsea, MI
  - V. Committee of the Whole (Discussions off the record)  
The Next Meetings – 7/19 Rose Tourney & Emprise of the Dragon' s Chalice {Roaring Wastes}  
8/9 7:00pm Pennsic 32  
9/13 Day of the Dragon {Dragon' s Vale}
- Meeting Adjournment: 1:45pm

### Title Abbreviation Key

His Royal Majesty (HisRM)  
 Her Royal Majesty (HerRM)  
 His Royal Highness (HisRH)  
 Her Royal Highness (HerRH)  
 Kingdom Seneschal (KSen)  
 Dragon Herald (KHer)  
 Kingdom Earl Marshal (KEM)  
 Kingdom Chirurgeon (KChir)  
 Kingdom Minister of Arts and Sciences (KMOAS)  
 Kingdom Exchequer (KExch)  
 Kingdom Chronicler (KChron)  
 Curia Secretary (CSec)

# Addendum 1

## Proposed Changes to Kingdom Law Concerning the Signing of Scrolls

Current laws ...

II-106 When a scroll of arms is presented by the Crown, both the Sovereign and Consort shall sign it.

II-200 The Tanist and Consort shall act as Regents of the Crown whenever both the Sovereign and Consort shall be unable to act due to absence.

II-201 When acting as Regents, providing they have prior approval of the Crown, the Tanist and Consort shall enjoy the same rights to gifts and duties as the Crown, save that when signing documents of any nature, they shall sign as Regents of the Crown, the same to be countersigned at a later date by the Crown.

Proposed laws ...

II-106 When a scroll of arms is presented by the Crown, either the Sovereign, the Consort, or both shall sign it. However, both must agree that the associated award is merited.

II-200 The Tanist and/or Tanist' s Consort shall act as Regents of the Crown when neither the Sovereign nor the Sovereign' s Consort are present.

II-201 When acting as Regents, providing they have prior approval of the Crown, the Tanist and the Tanist' s Consort shall enjoy the same rights to gifts and duties as the Crown. When signing a scroll of arms, one or both shall sign as Regents of the Crown. Any other documents are to be countersigned at a later date by the Crown.

# Addendum 2

## Proposed Changes to Kingdom Law Regarding the Separation of Authority Between the Crown and the Kingdom's Officers

*Recommendation #1: Amend Kingdom Law II-104 as follows (proposed changes underlined) ...*

**KINGDOM LAW II-104: The powers of the Crown shall extend only to the affairs of the Kingdom, not extending to the modern world. Specifically, the Crown shall have no direct authority over any contracts or financial matters pertaining to the Kingdom nor any matters pertaining to the health or safety of its citizens. However, the Crown shall have the authority to appoint, suspend, remove, and monitor the performance of the Kingdom's officers who are responsible for affairs of the modern world.**



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*Recommendation #2: Amend Kingdom Law XVI-501 as follows (proposed deletion lined out) ...*

**KINGDOM LAW XVI-501: Content of any official handbook is subject to editing by the appropriate Great Officer ~~and the Crown~~ before publication.**

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*Recommendation #3: Amend Kingdom Law II-103 as follows (proposed changes underlined) ...*

**KINGDOM LAW II-103: The Crown shall have the power to declare proclamations as they so choose. Such proclamations shall have the force of law and shall be subject to the limitations that apply to any Kingdom law. Proclamations shall be in effect only for the duration of their reign. These proclamations must be publicly proclaimed at Court and published in the Pale before taking effect.**

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*Recommendation #4: Amend section 3.1 of the Middle Kingdom Marshals Handbook as follows (proposed deletion lined out) ...*

**MK MARSHALS HANDBOOK 3.1 MARSHAL RESPONSIBILITIES AND CHAIN OF AUTHORITY: Marshals are recognized as officers of the S.C.A., Inc. The fundamental distinction between types of marshals in the Middle Kingdom is between those fully warranted and those under restricted warrants: Marshals who may authorize new combatants and those who may not. Fully warranted Marshals are officers of the S.C.A., the personal representatives of the Kingdom Earl Marshal ~~and, ultimately, the Crown.~~ Only fully warranted marshals and the Crown (see S.C.A., Inc Rules of the List 1.1.4) may authorize participants to compete in S.C.A., Inc martial activities in the Middle Kingdom. ~~All but the Crown must be under full warrants, the Crown being the final authority of the marshallate within a kingdom.~~**

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*Recommendation #5: Amend section 1.1.2 of the Middle Kingdom Marshals Handbook as follows (proposed changes underlined) ...*

**MK MARSHALS HANDBOOK 1.1.2: REQUIREMENT OF AUTHORIZATION No person shall participate in Combat-Related Activities (including armored combat, period fencing, combat archery, scouting, and banner bearing in combat) outside of formal training sessions unless he or she shall have been properly authorized under Society and Kingdom procedures as established by the Society Earl Marshal and the Middle Kingdom Earl Marshal.**

# **Addendum 3**

## **The Dragon Clerk of the Signet A proposal by Baroness Kassia Gildea**

The Dragon Clerk of the Signet would coordinate the production of scrolls that are required by the Crown. The Signet would be a deputy of the Crown and report directly to Them. The Signet would have a budget of \$200.00 dollars a year to restock supplies for the Royalty's scribing box and for new seals and/or wax when needed, and for vellum for county/ducal scrolls.

The Signet would receive scroll assignments from the reigning Majesties and verify that the awards are not duplicates. Once the list is approved, he/she would then assigns the list to the appropriate regional signet for assignment to their local scribes. There are 5 regions - Northshield, the Midlands, Constellation, Pentamere and Oaken. Court lists for events in foreign lands (Pennsic) would be divided by region and then sent to the appropriate signet.

The Dragon Clerk of the Signet should have at least two weeks notice for any award scroll, with longer lead times requested in the case of a large number of scrolls for a single event or in case of a major award. This would help to ensure that all scribes will have time to do justice to their scrolls and that the recipients will be getting the scribes' best work.

The Dragon Clerk of the Signet would maintain a list of scribes willing to do work for the kingdom and their relative levels of experience. All official Kingdom level award scrolls would be assigned through the Dragon Clerk of the Signet unless a Monarch assigns a scroll directly. In that event, the Dragon Clerk of the Signet should be notified as soon as possible.

Autocrats of events would be encouraged to make a room available that would allow scribes to finish last minute details and for the Royalty (if attending) to sign scrolls. This would allow the scribes to become familiar with the work of other scribes and provide novice scribes a chance to ask questions and get to know their fellow scribes.

Deputies would be assigned as necessary for such duties as handle backlog and unclaimed scrolls.

By providing knowledge, supplies and opportunity, the Dragon Clerk of the Signet would encourage the arts of calligraphy and illumination throughout the Middle Kingdom.

# Exchequer Addendum

	BALANCES	20-May-03
TRM R&A	0.00	
TRM B&B	0.00	
TRM V&A	0.00	
TRH T&F	0.00	
TRH P&A	(23.92)	
TSH	0.00	
NS-Heirs	0.00	
NMS	615.00	
Chir. Office	291.56	
Chirurgeonate	1,848.00	
Chronicler	521.43	
Curia Secretary	0.00	
Earl Marsh	0.00	
Exchequer	627.53	
Herald	69.47	
MOAS	0.00	
A & S Fund	225.83	
Seneschal	847.42	
Chatelaine	100.00	
Archer General	31.10	
Minister of Fence	14.66	
Clerk of the Roster	100.00	
Youth	100.00	
Dean of Equestrian	150.00	
Water Bearer	100.00	
A&S Judges	238.04	
Signet	100.00	
Nshield Snschl	100.00	
Regalia	1,345.32	
General Fund	40,048.91	
TOTALS FUNDS	47,450.35	