

Curia Regis Minutes – May 31, 2004

Date of Meeting: Monday, May 31, 2004 (AS XXXIX)

Location: After Crown Tournament, Detroit area, MI

Attending:

HisRM Felix of Rams'ey

HerRM Madeleina de LeMans

HisRH Brannos

HerRH Rebekah

KSen Charles Oakley

KExch Artemisia Grimaldi

KMOAS Edmund of Hertford

KEM Palymar of the Two Baronies

KHer Rory mac Feidhlimidh

KChron Milica of Varna

KChir Tatiana Marana Melville

PaleEd Brice le Corbet

CuriaSec Catherine Oakley

Meeting called to order at: 10:34

- I. Approval of the Agenda: Approved.
- II. Approval of the minutes of the April 18 meeting as corrected: KW Heraldic Symposium will be in June. With that correction, approved.
- III. Reports: (include any reports of activity by or about direct deputies)
 - A. Their Royal Majesties
 1. Windsor ONT group Starleaf Gate says they are still not getting the Pale. They get the Ealdormere Kingdom Newsletter; Bryce says he is sending their copies manually, and needs to inform Corporate they are ours.
 2. Deputies of the Crown
 - a. Houndmaster – doing ok
 - b. Chief of Staff of the Army (Sir Ivar) – still moving forward
 - c. RUM Chancellor – no report
 - d. The Secretary of the Baronage (Ciara of Northwoods) -
 - i. Countess Guenievre was to pass reporting spreadsheet to HisRM Felix and follow-up on new Baron/ess permissions to publish contact info. HisRM says he hasn't received the spreadsheet yet.
 - e. Grand Council – Applicants to replace Katriona, Fiskr and Alexander (all Northshield) – nothing new
 3. Kingdom Law Changes – no new items
 4. Pennsic War 33 – is going fine
 - B. Their Royal Highnesses – nothing yet
 - C. Their Stellar Highnesses – no report
 1. Northshield's First Crown Tournament, May 8, 2004 – [was held; heirs are Siegfried and Bridei]
 - D. Their Excellencies, Heirs to the Kingdom of Northshield – no report
 - E. The Kingdom Seneschal
 1. Seneschal's Manual Rewrite – Charles is looking for a person to honcho this
 2. Regionals
 - a. Constellation replacement – Two bids
 - b. Pentamere – nothing new
 3. Groups in Transition

- a. Northwoods – light on percentage of return, but if it’s informative we can go ahead
- b. Wurm Wald - Poll on “Shell Barony” – populace seems not to want it.
Wurm Wald will probably be downgraded to a Shire, keeping its name.
- c. Roaring Wastes – moving forward, has finished polling to narrow field to three candidates
- d. Andelcrag – is polling first round (narrowing field)
4. Baronial Poll procedures: KSen and the Transitions Deputy are working on developing a standard. Problems we often seem to run into are 1) a popular perception that a poll is a vote, not an advisory, and 2) who actually gets to be polled. What KSen wants to do: Transitions officer sends polls to all PAID members within the group territory, and a form will be available on-line or from the group seneschal for anyone else who wishes to comment – whether unpaid in the group or paid or unpaid outside the group. Palymar commented that his wife, the Transitions officer, would appreciate this change since it reduces confusion, and also she thinks it would improve the numbers of returns. HisRH says this was done on their Barony’s first poll and worked very well. The thing one really needs to contend with is whether minors can vote or not. KSen suggested a cut-off age of 15 (in line with the cut-off in Corpora for being an officer) might be reasonable. HisRH and HisRM said there should be a definite time limit printed on the polls and the web site for each polling. How would this new procedure handle the first (narrow-down) polling? KSen said Baroness Alex had suggested that groups be required to use a third party, possibly the Regional Seneschal, to receive the polls and count the vote. KEM said having the first round numbers available to the populace may help people’s comfort factor, but HisRH said knowing the first round numbers could also unduly influence the second round. KSen will write a draft law change and put it out to CuriaNet.
5. New Groups Deputy – new New Groups Policy is in place and being distributed.
6. Chatelaine – Having trouble getting reports. KSen suggested getting some new Chatelaines. Nothing new on procedure rewrite reported.
7. Minister of Youth - Kingdom Youth Policy – (developing IAW Society request) – HisRM asked when this will be in place, KSen says by the end of this week the final tweaks should be in it and he should be starting to promulgate it. It’ll be announced in the next Pale
8. Kingdom Events – starting to beat bushes for 2005 event bids
 - a. Fall Coronation 2004 – SEOhio, October 23
 - b. Fall Crown Tournament 2004 – Narrental (Peru, IN), October 30
9. New thrones for Prince and Princess – Countess Tamara and KSen have received a bid from Baron Conal.
10. Law changes and “housekeeping”:
 - a. Law VI-501 re: age of consorts and combatants: to read that both the combatant and consort must be 18, and verbiage regarding emancipated minors to be deleted. Put out for commentary in June Pale.
 - b. Polling for barons and baronesses: XV-305 modified to have the same standard procedures already in XV-301 and 303. To be in June Pale.
 - c. “Statement of purpose” to accompany any law change, to be KSen policy that the Law Clerk must make and file such a statement.
11. Pennsic 34 – nothing new
12. The Northshield Seneschal – still a beautiful situation and moving along.

- F. The Kingdom Exchequer
1. Current Balances with major deposits and withdrawals – Received money from Fall Crown and the second check from Pennsic. There is leftover travel fund money, which will be transferred to this Reign. She will send out the balance sheet by CuriaNet and it will be appended to these minutes. [note: not received yet – Curia Sec, 6/8]
 2. Non-Member Surcharges – List of Shame is in June Pale. Corporate is giving us time to clear this up. There are about 20 groups to contact. KSen asks if it's time to draft a form letter yet. We are still in the process of getting out the word clarifying when NMS must be charged. Being in the Calendar makes it an “event”, but the Calendar only lists date and city (place). To do Kingdom business the event must have its date, starting time, and place published. Therefore, if it has a Pale ad in addition to the calendar entry, it's “official” and the NMS must be charged. It was suggested that the Calendar entry format be changed to add times, but decided to leave it as it is.
 3. Event packet of forms for autocrats – All together, no comments; she will start distributing this packet as soon as it is signed by KSen.
 4. Suspensions – Hawk's Keye is no longer suspended.
 5. Kingdom Event Proceeds –
 - a. Fall Crown 2003 split proceeds – got it
 - b. Border Raids – they have to give us one-third of the proceeds if it's a Kingdom event, but HisRM told them he's not inclined to make it a Midrealm Kingdom event, even though it's already one for Meridies, since he thinks Midrealm people will come anyway, and the local group could use the money more than the Middle Kingdom.
 6. Transitions Officer's Checking Account – still working on it
 7. Northshield Exchequer
 - a. New Exchequer – in place -Tarja
 - b. Castel Rouge audit – will start sometime in June.
 8. The Kingdom Minister of Regalia and Properties
 - a. Web site –MofR is a little behind on the web site, but it will be available soon.
 - b. Auction of de-accessed items – still planned for 2005 Twelfth Night.
- G. The Minister of Arts and Sciences
1. Deputies – (extensions?) – has talked one regional into extending, but he's no longer worried about this; prospective new deputies are training.
 2. Artes Draconis Newsletter: the new issue is out.
 3. Kingdom A&S Faire - May 29 – went well. Three Divisional champions and a Pentathlon champion were named.
 4. Regional A&S faires – Idea on table to stop holding regional Faires and hold Kingdom Faire semi-annually – KMOAS is thinking of holding a Fall Faire in conjunction with RUM rather than with Crown. Sir Garth likes the idea.
 5. Updates to Kingdom A&S Faire Criteria and Rules – nothing new
 6. The Children's A&S – Lady Nicolaa and Mistress Isabel are working on refining this, it's been held for 3 years and is going well
- H. The Earl Marshal – nothing new. HisRH asked status of new auth cards, KEM has addressed this in his Pale letter.

- I. The Kingdom Chronicler – nothing new reported.
- J. The Kingdom Herald
 - 1. Minister of Protocol
 - a. Protocol Handbook – Needs to build bigger fire under Protocol officer
 - b. Traditions Guide for the Royalty – next project for Protocol officer, may combine with above
 - 2. Constellation Signet – one applicant, a good one.
 - 3. Known World Heraldic Symposium – June in Pennsylvania. Elena de Vixen, Mike from Northshield, and Rory are going
 - 4. Pending Items –
 - a. Order of the Evergreen Tree - moving
 - b. Signet badge - moving
 - 5. Trimaris has asked our permission to adopt our White Lance award for equestrians, making it an inter-Kingdom concept like the White Scarf. HisRM says no way.
- K. The Kingdom Chirurgeon
 - 1. Replacement (2 applicants - application deadline extended to now) No new applications yet; will decide on CuriaNet.
 - 2. Constellation regional wants to be replaced.
 - 2. Deputies
 - a. Waterbearer - position open, will be left open for the next Chirurgeon to decide on. HisRM says he will mention the opening in His Pale letter.
 - b. Chirurgeon Flyer (planned to be a trifold flyer for any Kingdom's use) – working with a designer and hopes to have a mockup by Pennsic
 - 2. Reported Injuries – a couple at Baron Wars – one broken leg, one knee injury who asked for ice only.
 - 3. Pennsic – Pensic 34 War Chirurgeon has no applicants yet, but the applicants for the KChir position have been encouraged to apply.
 - 4. Blood drive at Pennsic: Lady Angelique is doing it again. HisRM will also mention this in the Pale letter, and issue a challenge to other Kingdoms to participate.
- IV. Curianet: One item: Request to move Fall Coronation site to a different State park; agreed.
- V. Committee of the Whole

The Next Meetings – At Pennsic, 8/14

Meeting Adjournment: 11:32

Title Abbreviation Chart

His Royal Majesty (HisRM)	Kingdom Exchequer (KExch)
Her Royal Majesty (HerRM)	Kingdom Minister of Arts and Sciences (KMoAS)
His Royal Highness (HisRH)	Kingdom Chronicler (KChr)
Her Royal Highness (HerRH)	Kingdom Chirurgeon (KChir)
His Stellar Highness (HisSH)	RUM Chancellor (RUMC)
Her Stellar Highness (HerSH)	Pale Editor (PaleEd)
Kingdom Seneschal (KSen)	Minister of Regalia (MoR)
Dragon Herald (KHer)	New Groups Deputy (NGD)
Kingdom Earl Marshal (KEM)	Curia Secretary (CSec)