

Curia Regis Minutes – 25 March 2006

Date of Meeting: Saturday, 25 March 2006

Location: Barony of Brendoken (Smithville, OH) during Spring R.U.M.

Attending:

HRM Edmund of Hertford	KMoAS Genevieve McCullum de Caen
HRM Kateryn Bronwen of Gloucester	KEM Brannos O'Irongardail
HRH Felix of Ramséy	KChron Heirusalem Crystoma
HRH Madeleina de LaMans	RUMC Garth of the Crag
KSen Kenna Harve	CSec Caelan O'Rogallaig
KHer Rory mac Feidhlimidh	Thorvald Redhair (KHer designate)
KExch Tetsuo Akira	

Meeting called to Order: 09:18

- I. A
- Approval of the Agenda: Approved
- II. A
- Approval of the Minutes of the 7-Jan-2006 meeting: Approved
- III. R

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

A. Their Royal Majesties

1. Deputies of the Crown

- a) Chief of Staff of the Army (Sir Straum) – going smoothly
- b) RUM Chancellor (Sir Garth) – looking to step down
- c) Secretary of the Baronage (B. Ciara) – all good
- d) Grand Council (Viscountess Katarina) – haven't heard anything

2. Border Treaties – RE: Northshield online Border Treaty. Discussion of what constitutes a border, and who should be eligible. Agreement that the Middle Kingdom has reservations about the online Treaty, and the inability to track which individuals are included in the treaty. Agreement that the Midrealm will only honor the treaty on an individual case-by-case basis.

3. Family fee limit law – Proposed law was published in the Pale, but few comments were received. Will be read into Kingdom Law.

4. Crown Repair status – Agreement that the Middle Kingdom will pay for materials to repair and restore the older crowns.

5. Combat Archery Rules – Discussion of moving towards Society-standard arrows (ABB devices, fiberglass shafts, etc) versus staying with the current ruleset. KEM will conduct research into safety records of various rulesets from other Kingdoms.

B. Their Royal Highnesses

1. Thrones for TRHs – Thrones are in need of replacement. Accepted a bid to build a pair of thrones for TRHs (\$400/pair), with an option to purchase similar additional thrones for TRMs in the future. KExch will handle the negotiations.

2. Pennsic: Midrealm Royal gates – Currently there are not Kingdom-owned gates for Midrealm Royal. TRHs will solicit bids in order to explore possible gates.
3. Pennsic: Midrealm Royal "list-field" fence (Brannos) – Previous fence was constructed for about \$580, though its believed a similar fence could be built for less. Curia agreed to accept the bid by Brannos to build such a fence for Pennsic.

C. The Kingdom Exchequer

1. Update of fund balances - Current surplus in Non-Member Surcharge balance for the Middle Kingdom
2. Kingdom Minister of Regalia and Properties – KExch and MoR will conduct search for missing leather crowns for TRMs, as well as update regalia listing. Kudos for the new MoR: “she’s doing a great job”
3. Domesday is not complete yet. KExch has filed for an extension.
4. New Pennsic Quartermaster – THL Vernon Claye

D. The Kingdom Minister of Arts and Sciences

1. Coursing Guild charter – a revised charter has been submitted to Curia. KExch and Curia will review the document. Charter approval is tabled until the next Curia.
2. Search for next KMoAS – three people expressed interest; two (Master Brusten and Lady Sarafina) submitted letters of intent.
3. Report from Known World A&S meeting
4. Deputies
 - a) New Constellation deputy (THL Giuliana Forniciari)
5. Regional A&S Faires – all set. Constellation A&S faire went “swimmingly”, with two successful Pentathlon entries
6. Society proposed “Rules for the Study and Education of Historical Combat Techniques within the SCA” to be supervised by a deputy to the KMoAS, as long as the choreographed techniques do not slide over into practical martial activities. KMoAS will solicit bids for such a deputy, and will provide a detailed job description.

E. The Earl Marshal

1. MK Marshal's Handbook – small updates before release. Probably ready by Summer.
2. Rapier: proposed Cut and Thrust rules – Society-wide movement. Initial Midrealm rules will be geared towards an educational process, as opposed to competitive process. Will be discussed further on CuriaNet.
3. Suspensions – one combatant suspended for use of excessive force
4. Deputies
 - a) New Youth deputy marshal
 - b) New throwing weapons deputy marshal
 - c) Various special deputies will soon be appointed, such as testing safety of new rubber “hammer heads”

5. Society Marshal's Handbook – new handbook is being rewritten prior to release. Of note, Society will now mandate elbow protection behind shields; KEM expects to allow a 3-month “changeover” grace period.

F. The Kingdom Chronicler

1. Will investigate publication issues with the Pale
2. Publications office – will contact the Publication officer to close the office, and transfer funds to KExch
3. Webminister – transition is going very well. Warrant is not yet available for incoming Webminister
4. Great Boke preservation project – Curia agrees to fund the facsimile preservation of the Great Boke. KSen will work with a Michigan lawyer to draw up a contract with the preservation company, as the work is stored in Michigan.

G. The Kingdom Herald

1. Introduction of next Dragon Herald (Thorvald Redhair). Transfer of office at evening court at Coronation.
2. Deputies
 - a) New Buckler Herald (Anne of the Western Hills)
3. New Protocol Handbook – Approved by Curia. Slight word change requested by KChron.
4. New Book of Ceremonies – ongoing project

H. The Kingdom Chirurgeon

1. Search for successor – "I have a volunteer" (per email 22-Mar-2006)
2. Deputies – "still need a replacement for the Oaken region and this has been posted in the Pale" (per email 22-Mar-2006)

I. The Kingdom Seneschal

1. Domesday – In on time. Communication problems, with local seneschals not following the set criteria and reporting the required information.
2. Regionals – Domesday reports are in.
3. MK Public Relations Deputy (Baroness Milicent) – Discussion of “Wife Swap” television show, and the resulting PR nightmare. “Baroness Milicent has done a wonderful job of dealing with the situation.”
4. Groups in Transition (Baroness Rhiannon) – Donnershaven is transitioning to Baronial status.
5. New Groups Deputy (THL Aiden) – New Groups Handbook is being written. Will be submitted to KChron for review and approval.
6. Charter Compliance Deputy (Baron Agrippa) – Going well.
7. Chatelaine (Baroness Seadna) – Going well.
8. Minister of Youth (Duchess Sabine) – “Doing a great job.”
9. Kingdom Events/Bids
 - a) Fall Crown 2006 – Barony of Illiton believes they can cover the costs of the event. Aware of possible pricing changes for minors being set forth by Curia.

- 10. Law review and “housekeeping”
 - a) going through the Baronial charters
- 11. Miscellaneous
 - a) Law suit – Resolved outside of court. A site reservation fee (roughly \$4000.00) was not paid for by a group in a timely manner.
 - b) Pennsic updates – Pennsic Exchequer has been replaced.
 - c) Middle Kingdom T-shirts – Kingdom can purchase them at cost (\$8/shirt) from a vendor (“Renaissance Arts”) for potential fundraising activities. KSen will further explore the details and work on an agreement with the vendor.

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CuriaNet: items discussed online and not covered above:

- A. Codifying procedures for officer replacement (Rory); should candidate searches be mandatorily placed in the Pale (kingdom newsletter), or advertised in any manner? – YES! “We should be advertising jobs in the Pale”. Probably any office that appears in the Pale should be advertised in the Pale. The Curia Secretary is the “Cabana Boy” to the KSen and TRMs.
- B. Production costs of revamped 268-page A&S criteria (Genevieve) - \$575.59 for 30 copies. Does this need to "come from the regular budget that falls under the A&S office or can this be a special expense?" – per KExch, money will come from Publications office funds. In future, all similar emergency outlay of funds should first be discussed on CuriaNet in order to be considered for reimbursement.
- C. Society-wide Guild Charter for Saint Bavon's Company of Falconry (HRM Edmund) – declined to sign at Estrella War
- D. Changing "Order of the Dragon's Tooth" to "Award of the Dragon's Tooth" (Rory) – to reflect reality of recipients with multiple presentations. – YES! KHer will make the necessary changes

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New Business: None

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Committee of the Whole

The Next Meetings: TBD

Meeting Adjournment: 11:38

Title Abbreviation Chart

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