

## Curia Regis Minutes – 08 July 2006

Date of Meeting: Saturday, 08 July 2006

Location: Shire of Talonval (Leslie, MI) during Siege of Talonval

### Attending:

HRM Felix of Ramséy

HRM Madeleina de LaMans

KSen Kenna Harve

KHer Thorvald Redhair

KExch Tetsuo Akira

KMoAS Genevieve McCullum de Caen

KEM Brannos O'Irongardail

KChron Heirusalem Crystoma

KChir Rowena Lindsay

CSec Caelan O'Rogallaig

Duke Eliahu (invited guest)

Meeting called to Order: 08:32

I.

Approval of the Agenda: Approved

II.

Approval of the Minutes of the 25-Mar-2006 meeting: Approved

III.

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) – Army is going fine.

b)RUM Chancellor (Sir Garth) – Sir Garth is looking to step down. Three candidates have expressed interest. Duchess Kateryn will be offered the position, and the other candidates will be suggested as deputies.

c)Secretary of the Baronage (B. Chiara) – Everything is fine. Reports are coming in.

d)Grand Council (Viscountess Katarina) – No report.

##### 2.Projects

a)Great Booke 2 (Duke Eliahu) – Proposal to begin a new Great Booke, either updating the material in the original or moving forward with new material.

i)Would like to get signed permissions from the artisans in advance to publish their finished products online.

ii)Would like to produce volumes covering the history of the Middle Kingdom, perhaps in 5- or 10-year increments, thus preserving our collective history. Concerns about getting the facts correct regarding “early” Midrealm history, especially when many of the participants are no longer around.

iii)Would like to move forward, starting where the first Great Booke ended.

- iv) Ideally, there will be a template for the artisans to use, in order to ensure uniformity of the finished product.
  - v) Duke Eliahu will begin the process of assembling a production team, as well as roughing out a timeline and template.
  - b) new Tanist thrones - request for one month extension. The carver has had unexpected familial obligations, thus delaying the project. Motion for the artisans to begin the new thrones for TRMs. Approved.
3. Pennsic
- a) Midrealm teen party (Duchess Sabine) - fund request for \$200 to cover expenses; expect about 50 attendees. Approved.
  - b) Midrealm Ice Cream Social - fund request for \$150 to cover expenses. Approved.
  - c) Midrealm Royal "list field" fence (Duke Brannos) – update on project. Work is proceeding, and expects to be done by Pennsic War.
  - d) Midrealm semi-trailer storage – Cooper’s Lake staff have given approval for the Middle Kingdom to maintain a storage trailer onsite. Motion to fund \$2000 for semi-trailer rental and storage fees. Approved.
4. Minister of Protocol – Three candidates have expressed interest in the position. Duke Dag will be offered the position, and the other candidates will be suggested as deputies.
5. Kingdom MoAS – Three candidates have expressed interest in the position. TRMs will discuss the position and its requirements with the leading candidate.

#### B. Their Royal Highnesses

1. Nothing to report.

#### C. The Kingdom Minister of Arts and Sciences

1. Deputies
  - a) No. Oaken – Ld. Edward Brackenburye (new)
2. MK Coursing Guild charter – Approved. The Guild expects to change over the Guildmaster position at Simple Day in the Barony of Sternfeld.
3. Artes Draconis newsletter – current issue is now out.
4. Historical Combat – a deputy (Baron Phillippe de Leon) has been appointed to oversee this activity.
5. Kingdom A&S report – the event “was great; staff was great; turnout was great”. Would like to see the prize tournaments to continue.
6. Regarding warrants for group A&S officers – why are they required? Discussion ensued.

#### D. The Earl Marshal

1. Society EM update – The BoD will be reviewing the Society EM’s proposed changes at the July meeting. There could be changes that will effect the Middle Kingdom’s combat convention, including possible changes for “light combatants.”
2. Youth rattan changes – 16 and 17 year olds are currently allowed to participate in both Youth Boffer and Youth Rattan combat against opponents in the same age

range. There is a notable lack of opponents in this age range for the Youth Rattan combatants. The Earl Marshal is exploring the possibility with the BoD of allowing the Youth Rattan combatants to fight against members of the Chivalry as well.

#### E. The Kingdom Chronicler

1. Pale Editor – The current Pale Editor is moving out-of-Kingdom. Looking for a temporary Pale Editor until such time that a full-time replacement can be found for the office.
2. Artes Draconis newsletter – There have been issues regarding publication of the newsletter, and the current staff is looking to pass on the publication to the Kingdom Chronicler's office. Suggestion to remove the subscription aspect of the publication, and to make it a freely-available publication on the Internet. Refunds will be offered to existing subscribers, starting with the next issue.
3. Currently accepting applications for Kingdom Chronicler

#### F. The Kingdom Herald

1. Kingdom Law (Heraldic housekeeping) – proposed changes to Kingdom Law (corrections to blazons, spelling, etc.); no actual content changes.
  - a) The revised Laws will have to be read into a Court.
  - b) Award of the Dragon's Flight – two badges are registered for the award, but only the original is listed in Kingdom Law. Would like to release the second, newer device in favor of the older device.
  - c) Pursuivants for groups – Question: Is the herald position required for a group smaller than a Barony? Question: Is a Barony required to have a full-slate of officers? Tabled for the next meeting.
2. Request for permission to conflict - A gentle from Aethelmearc is requesting permission to conflict with the registered device for the Award of the Purple Fret. Denied.

#### G. The Kingdom Chirurgeon

1. Search for successor - would like to change office in October. There is a candidate who would like to assume the office, Ld. Cerdic the Bloodletter.
2. Pennsic 36 (2007) War Chirurgeon – currently looking for someone to assume the position as the Midrealm Chirurgeon for next year's Pennsic War.
3. No major injuries to report.

#### H. The Kingdom Seneschale

1. Regions
  - a) Constellation (Greyhope) – Apparently was unable to fill the officer of Exchequer, and risked being put into abeyance. This has, however, been taken care of and the group is good again.
  - b) Constellation (Shadowed Stars) – Issues with the group which may require intervention.
2. MK Public Relations Deputy (Baroness Milicent)
3. Groups in Transition (Baroness Rhiannon)

- a)Donnershafen - need letters from Curia to Society Seneschal prior to advancement to Barony. TRMs will appoint the next Baron/Baroness from among the candidates after consultation with the Curia members.
- 4.New Groups Deputy (THL Aiden)
  - a)New Groups Handbook – finished, but should be reviewed.
- 5.Charter Compliance Deputy (Baron Agrippa) – nothing to report
- 6.Chatelaine (Baroness Seadna) – nothing to report
- 7.Minister of Youth (Duchess Sabine)
  - a)Page School charter – please review. Tabled for the next meeting.
- 8.Kingdom Events/Bids
  - a)Fall Coronation 2006 – Bid received from the Incipient Shire of Foxvale (30 Sept 2006) in Midlands (Illinois). They will be asked to consider moving the event to the weekend of 23 Sept 2006. Other alternatives include asking existing events on 23 Sept 2006 to consider hosting the event. Will be discussed via CuriaNet.
  - b)Fall Crown 2006 – bid received.
  - c)Spring Crown 2007 – bid received.
- 9.Law review and “housekeeping”
  - a)Grandfather clause: Event conflicts with Coronation/Crown Tourney, which is now forbidden per Kingdom Law. Motion to allow events that were scheduled previous to the Law going into effect, that the events be allowed to conflict this time. Approved.
- 10.Miscellaneous
  - a)BoD meeting for July in Indianapolis (15 July 2006)
  - b)New "First Deputy" - Duchess Sabine. She will serve as "Acting KSen" at Pennsic while Kenna is on Pennsic Staff, unless Kenna is needed for any truly important decisions.
  - c)Ongoing BoD investigation of the Exiled members of the Midrealm populace (standard procedure). The exiles and banishments were OK'd during a BoD teleconference in June. The BoD Investigator may contact members of the Curia and the populace on a fact-finding basis, including at Pennsic.
  - d)Investigation into Field Crowns - were they paid for?? The Kingdom Exchequer does not believe they were paid for in advance, at least out of Kingdom funds. HRM Felix was told they were donated to the Kingdom by the original artisan (Sir Lothar).

#### I.The Kingdom Exchequer

- 1.Domesday completed.
- 2.Update of fund balances.
  - a)Balances have been corrected to reflect actual amounts of funds, as the previous year's balances were actually not balanced correctly due to paperwork errors. This has now been corrected.
  - b)Donations to various Kingdom funds (paperwork passed around).
- 3.Group suspensions

4. Financial Policy change – Proposed change: Change the Kingdom Financial committee to include separate votes for TRMs and TRHs. This is now possible because the current Financial Committee has more than five members, whereas it was not necessarily possible under previous Society rules. Currently, the Royal family gets a single vote.
5. Windsreach (Oaken) – notable lack of activity by the group. Do they still exist?

IV. C  
 Curianet: items discussed online and not covered above:

- A. Motion to cover increased costs for repair of gold crowns due to rising gold prices. (Approved online: HisRM, HerRM, KSen, KExch, KHer, KMoAS). Approved.
- B. Motion to have Kingdom funds cover expenses for KHer and Dragon Signet attendance at Known World Heraldic and Scribe Symposium (Approved online: HisRM, KSen, KExch, KHer, KChron, KMoAS). Approved.

V. N  
 New Business

VI. C  
 Committee of the Whole

The Next Meeting: Pennsic War  
 Meeting Adjournment: 10:50 am

***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>P</u> ale Editor (PaleEd)
Kingdom (Dragon) Herald (KHer)	Curia Secretary (CSec)
Kingdom Earl Marshal (KEM)	