

February 28, 2021

Baronial Officers' Meeting Minutes

Officer's Report

Baroness' Report (Sciath/Trudi)

1. Ealdormere has gone virtual with weekly gatherings every Friday night. Participants can access Trillium Hall using VR and mobile devices for real-time conversation and
2. Selection of Ealdormere's Lawspeaker. Our seneschal will provide everyone with the details. If you did not have the opportunity to check out the candidates' introduction and Q&A here: <https://www.facebook.com/menzinas/videos/10159257842736385>
3. Winter War is on, and the videos are coming due. Thank you to Rhys for reminding us all to put our best efforts forward in representing Rising Waters. Submission deadlines are extended to March 7 evening, with the court and awards event scheduled for March 20th. Want to participate? Find out more here: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2261836735/permalink/10157498057766736>
4. Attended the Kingdom of Atlantia University on February 13th, along with a few of our local nobles. I'll be sure to share the details when the next event is scheduled.
5. The Service Symposium was held on February 13-14, and the video stream is now available. https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLba1Q3bbGjPH5F_u8I5szSml0nlc61Bw_
6. Please be sure to look for the online recommendation form on the baronial website to recognize nobles for their efforts. Make your recommendations here: <https://baronyofrisingwaters.org/award-recommendations/>
7. Baronial Outreach. Please let me know (email, PM via Facebook) if you think one of our baronial members is experiencing hardship and requires community support. risingwaters@gmail.com

Exchequer Report (Jowan/Joey)

1. I have not yet received an application for my successor. Gema has offered to act as drop-dead Exchequer until a successor is found.
2. Funds are stable for the barony.
3. I have mailed the report to the kingdom to Abhilin for her signature, but it hasn't been received yet. Will talk after the meeting to figure this out.

Minister of Arts and Science Report (Kate)

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1. Thank you to all who posted a response to my post requesting updates on what A&S activities they've been doing this month. There are a wide variety of activities!
2. A&S gatherings - participation is dwindling, unfortunately. I understand that it can be difficult to join another online activity. Tonight may be our last one for a while, as people are starting to get fired up for Spring activities.

Seneschal's Report (Aibhilin/Leslie) -

1. Lady Mary is coming up it is again virtually. We did not receive the variant to have thrown weapons. We will talk about this in Old Business
2. The election of the new Lawspeaker is coming up, we will speak more on this in New Business
3. Law Speakers meet and greet was last Friday, I hope people were able to attend, gave an overview. The Baroness talked about the link to the Q and A recording please take the time to watch it. The questions were very good.
4. We are going to talk about the application for Herald in New Business
5. March 6, is Winter War, there are a lot of activities going on in the run-up to this event. Check the Kingdom calendar for their website.
6. Kingdom court is March 6, again on the Kingdom calendar website.

Marshal's Report (Richard/Andrew)

1. Issued a direction to fighters to read/re-read rules of armoured combat and fencing.
 - a. Armoured Combat -
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1FHTcLEfYAlCRw01YgoOUPbHrx5z6BSYL/view?usp=sharing>
 - b. Fencing -
https://drive.google.com/file/d/15opTVcL_1F-HLJKUN2h1eC75tt7KP6ql/view?usp=sharing

Archery Marshal (Nika/Susan)

1. Currently prohibited from shooting, although I've kept an eye on the club in Toronto
2. There are still interesting classes happening related to archery equipment, and cultural perspectives on archery. I will try to put together a list of links to these activities.

Thrown Weapons (Sciath/Trudi)

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1. We applied for a variance to include a distanced thrown weapons tournament, and unfortunately, it was not approved. However, I have talked with Abhilin about putting together an alternative - a siege weapon tournament! More to come when we talk about plans for the event later in this meeting.
2. Scaith said she was going to put together an article on how Royal Rounds work for the next Cataract.

Chronicler Report (Bera/Angie) -

1. The next issue will come out at the end of April. Submit content to chronicler.risingwaters@gmail.com The deadline is the end of March.

Web Ministers Report (Bera/Angie)

1. I've been tweaking how the events are on the site. Thinking of better ways to promote the baronial Discourd page, so we can stay in contact.

Herald's Report (Dmitri/Sam)

1. Hoping to have a new Herald by the end of this meeting.

Signet- (Gelleia/Jessica)

1. Feb 11th Rhys and I did a lefty calligraphy workshop with THL Padraig O'Branduibh, the class went over well and we both had good take-aways.
2. Feb 18th was the baronial scribal meeting which had 5 participants. HE Sciath went over the scroll layout for our barony. We discussed the barriers for new scribes and ways around them, the possibility of doing charter scroll blanks, tabled the idea of having a make your own scroll case class. Participants also asked to have classes on shading/finishing scrolls, white work and black hours work. Coincidentally, Master Raven Payne held a class on shading Sunday the 21st which was posted to our barony facebook page for people to join at their leisure. For those who missed it there is also a recorded version on youtube already [here](#)
3. Nika has been active working on personal scribal projects including a Russian tetralogical style portrait of Shostakovich, a Pelican scroll for Thora i Guldvik based on an extant image of the world tree.

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4. The next scribal meeting has yet to be planned for March however there is a good video on black hours we could do a watch party and discuss it as a group. I have contacted the instructor several times to see if she'd be willing to do the class live with us however her current life circumstances are making this a non-option. [Link to Video](#)

Social Media - (Rhys/Christian)

1. Organized the 'Rise of the Roxstars' session, which was recorded and will be posted shortly.
2. Planning on setting up a room on the Discord, for support, assistance or chat.

Chatelaine- (Ragnheiðr/Suzi)

She is looking for a successor as soon as possible, as she is moving at the end of June and needs the loaner item removed.

DEI - (Annabelle/Sabrina)

Working on the survey that I'm putting out to do an environmental scan on how the barony is doing in terms of diversity, inclusivity and equity. Planning to release the survey this March. Abhilin - attended a DEI event, where the discussion around pronouns for scribal artists, and have reached out to kingdom to put preferred pronouns in the Order of Precedence. There was a suggestion about the Ealdormere wiki, but not everyone uses this (as a profile, or to consult for scroll information). There was a suggestion of avoiding pronouns by using the recipient's name or 'you'.

Old Business

1. The position that need to be filled in the Barony, we have an application for the position of Herald. We have only one candidate a such we will have a confidence poll. Can we vote on this please? Rhys has applied to become the next Herald. Vote was conducted over personal messaging to the Seneschal, via Zoom. Rhys was approved by votes in quorum. Effective date will be after today. Congratulations!
2. Lady Mary Event Updates
 - a. Dates for Lady Mary are booked into the Kingdom Calendar, we need to meet separately to come up with ideas.

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- b. We have applied for a variance, it was denied
- c. Hoping to have activities run over a two-week period, including virtual activities for fighting
- d. Suggestions for ideas should go to Abhilin and Sciath

Planned Activities (so far):

- e. Picture moment! We are looking for photos of feast gear set-ups - table cloth, dishes, cup, utensils - focusing on the place setting. We will stitch the photos together to form our virtual feast table to promote the event. If you can do this, please do it soon.
- f. Jowan and Runa have offered to organize a SMASH-like scavenger hunt
- g. Gema has offered to put together a book of traditional Lady Mary dishes, and offer a class. Caleb mentioned a cook-a-dish competition at Three Ravens.
- h. Siege Weapon Tournament - Participants will build their own siege weapon, and compete to hit and report on their targets. The ammunition will be mini marshmallows and target a cup at specific distances.
- i. Bardic - Bardic Night and a separate Bardic Champion Contest, to be held on separate days.

New Business

1. How to vote for lawspeaker, asked Bera if she would send out an email to the chronicler's email list. Abhilin will write the email for Bera to send out. My proposal is that we use the seneschal's email address for people to vote. I have posted on the Baronial facebook page and sent out two emails with the information for those not on facebook.

How voting works for the Law Speaker Per Kingdom Law IX-304, we have named those candidates publicly and called an election. In this election, the votes are cast by the Seneschals of the Kingdom. Each of you gets one vote "that shall reflect the wishes of your branch". The winner is declared by a simple majority of votes.

There are three candidates.

THL Emer ingen uí Áiden

Dame Siglinde Harfnerstochter

Duchess Adrielle Kerrec

They have issued statements, which can be found here:

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<http://links.ealdormere.ca/lawspeaker-adrielle>

<http://links.ealdormere.ca/lawspeaker-emer>

<http://links.ealdormere.ca/lawspeaker-siglinde>

Next meeting: Sunday, March 28, 2021 at 2pm

Meeting Adjourned at 3:07pm