# **Baronial Council Meeting Minutes December 16, 2019**

## Meeting opened at 7:03 pm

#### Words from their Excellencies:

11<sup>th</sup> Night happened. Thank you to Antoine and Katherine for keeping the ship upright for six months and bringing it safely into the next port. If you haven't met the new Prince & Princess, Kenric and Dagmar, you need to because they are amazing people.

### Words from the Seneschal:

If you missed the Outgoing Prince's recitation of "Purple Rain (Reign?)" in his purple garb, you really missed out. (Tessina volunteered to post her video to FB.) Remember to sign in if you haven't done so. Officers & Event Stewards, we now have an e-mail address to distribute reports to the Coronets, Seneschal, and Chronicler. Please send your monthly (and quarterly) reports to adiantum.reports@antir.org.

• Bear & Apple Championships & Kingdom Heraldic Symposium Fall 2019: Still working on a time to sit down with Terra Pomeria to finalize financials.

• 12<sup>th</sup> Night 2020:

Report Date: 14 December 2019 Event Name: 12th Night 2020

Event Date: Jan 10-12, 2020

Event Co-Steward: Yseult of Broceliande / Pam Perryman pam@bobwhitman.com 541-344-0896 Event Co-Steward: Marian Staarveld / Marian Harris mch@efn.org 541-689-6382

Event Site: Valley River Inn, Eugene, OR Site Contact Name & Phone: Tracee Guerney Johnson, 541-525-5543

Insurance ordered date: Mailed Nov. 30, after Thanksgiving, as they requested. Have not yet heard from them.

Crier Copy: received by the Crier 9/7/19, copy appeared in Nov., Dec. and Jan. Crier

Any budget issues: No. Learning that the Crown and the Heirs had line items in their budgets for their rooms at 12th Night means that we can comp the Prince and Princess or both The Summits and Tir Righ,

Any Kingdom Officer/Champion or other contact issues: No problems. We had a few changes to the list of retinue but that seems to be under control now.

Partially resolved challenges: 1) EMAIL: The 12thnight2020@antir.org email address continues to be a problem. I was accessing it just fine, and then one day it stopped allowing me access. I worked with Attia to try to fix it, but it continued to be uncooperative so she set it up to forward to my personal email

2) ROOMS: I have given the hotel the list of people who are entitled to the set-aside rooms – Royalty, retinue, officers, champions, merchants. Once they have updated the reservations I'll get a new reservations list from them and can contact all those folks about calling in and putting their room on their credit card.

3) FOOD & DRINK: I met with the hotel's chef to discuss the medieval buffets and lunch that they will prepare for us, and loaned him three books he could use for background and possible recipes. I'm not sure when he will give us the menu so that we can advertise it.

I will be meeting with the bar and restaurant managers next Wednesday to discuss beverage service and the bar party that we have planned for Saturday evening. Our former Baron, Sir Durin Oldenmoor, will run that.

Any other current challenges/tasks:

1) Managing room swaps and the wait list as I get notice of people cancelling their reservations. We currently have about 40 people on the wait list.

2) Finalizing the schedule. The Crown's current proposal isn't feasible given the number of times the Great Hall would need to be re-arranged. Marian is managing this and #3.

3) Allocating rooms for the many meetings and classes

4) Finishing up a couple of items for the decorations,

5) Our gate head and Exchequer are setting up Paypal to use at Gate. Dame Katherine, Paypal deputy, is helping them with that.

6) We have a volunteer to handle the SCA TV feed in the bar. We will be gathering content.

7) I have several people lined up to help put up decorations, will need a few more.

#### • Mid-winter's Feast:

Nothing new to report.

#### Birthday Bash & Sergeantry Trials:

Luna and I have been working with Iuri (Chris Ivans) about the Briggs farm in Coburg as our location. We are still waiting for a confirmation on the site's use, however, we are quite optimistic as this has been Bash's site historically. Scheduled on the Kingdom Calendar for April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

We have a blank schedule drafted out and waiting for information from Adiantum's Court Coordinator, (archery) MIC, Archery champion before we proceed with updating it.

We will be hosting our first meeting in January to go over more details of the event.

We will be hosting a Newcomer Raffle this year with the intent to draw in more new faces. Details about the contest to come, however, the winner of the raffle will receive a gift certificate for reannagteine.com. The prize for the newcomer is still being discussed.

Overall, things are in motion. Luna and I are very excited to be Stewards for Birthday bash 2020!

#### • Egils Skallagrimmson Memorial Tournament XLVI:

Egils is running smoothly! We have done a three pillars meeting to get the swiftly underway. Another planning meeting for the gate, pre reg, lands crew and merchants will happen before Christmas so they can start rolling out in the new year.

An all hands meeting will be planned For early January. More info as we plan for it.

## • Event Bids: Fall Coronet (September 18-20, 2020)

Godwyn: I apologize for the sending this so close to council and not on the correct forms, but this is rather last minute. If there are no other bids for September Coronet 2020, I am prepared to put forward a bid based on the numbers on the attached Excel spreadsheet. The estimates are based on the attendance and expenses the last time we hosted this event with the following adjustments: estimated ~25 less attendees, increases to both the site rental and biffie rental costs, slightly reducing the amount spent of food (welcome soups were provided last year), and adding line items for site tokens and an advertising budget of \$50.

I have spoken with Kirby and he is willing to be the POC for the site (ART). No other potential staff have been been spoken with yet. I can complete the full event bid form and submit in before the end of the week if the bid is acceptable.

Adult Site Fee 25.00 (\$5 discount for members) Youth & Children Site Fee Projected (paid) Attendees 180 **Estimated Membership** 80% Income Estimated Gate 3,780.00 NMR 180.00 Estimated Gross 3,600.00 Expenses (Based on previous) Site 800.00 Equipment Rental (Biffies) 800.00 Food (Welcome Soup) 200.00 Site Tokens 100.00 Printing 50.00 Advertising 50.00 50.00 Insurance Total Expenses 2,050.00 Projected net income 3,550.00 Summits Split 1,775.00 Adiantum Split 1,775.00

After a brief discussion the motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the bid.

#### **New Business**

## • Officer Applications:

We have several vacancies and others that are coming due for extension or replacement.

#### Warrant status for active offices are listed on the Meeting Agenda.

If you are interested in Youth Combat or Family Activities, there is a background check requirement. Please announce your intent for either of these early so we can get that process started.

(Open/Vacant Offices: Rapier Marshal, Cut & Thrust Marshal, Youth Combat Marshal, and Family Activities Coordinator).

## **Officer Reports**

## • Arts & Sciences – Alan Bowyer:

We had only one Arts and Science night this month, but it was a doozy.

A dozen people were there, singing and making orange and clove pomanders. We had cakes, pies, cookies, and teas. We roasted chestnuts over an open fire (well, a hibachi). It has been suggested that next November, we have an Arts and Science event specifically for baking Yule Cakes (Büche de Noël).

I want to add a bardic circle & dancing in the new year, and am reaching out to our bardic champion for assistance. More to come as plans develop.

No fatalities, no injuries, no expenses to report.

## • Chamberlain – Thorholfr Egilsson:

A list of our inventory has been started including a 365 doc with our Pavilions showing size, equipment, and condition I am planning to have this completed by Jan 1st.

## • Chatelaine – Johanna Trewpeny:

Nothing new to report. I'm walking on a cane and doing therapy for my back.

## • Chronicler – Aine Oshehy:

Transition in progress. All files & 365 access should be transferred by the January Meeting.

## • Exchequer – Margaret Alexander:

Last balance reported as of 11/22/19: \$16,476.79 Current balance as of 12/13/19: \$15,527.39

Transactions since last report included last \$1000 site pre-payment for 12th Night 2020, and SCA insurance, as well as monthly storage unit payment. One check deposited from a 12th Night 2020 merchant application. Also a small check written in September was cashed against the account this month.

Request in progress to Kingdom to have PayPal at 12th Night. There is no pre-registration, all on-site only.

I will need to order checks this month, which now requires authorization from up the Exchequer chain.

• Gold Key – Alys Meghan Cattwyn: Nothing to Report.

#### • Herald – Lucius von Bamburg:

Nothing to report from the office of the herald for this month!

Anyone with heralding experience, or a willingness to learn, your skills will be needed at Egils! Field heraldry, town cry, and consult table are all areas where you could help! If you'd like to volunteer, contact Lucius von Bamberg on Facebook!

### • Lists – Elizabeth Turner de Carlisle:

I have nothing to report for this month. I anticipate being needed next month at Midwinters to run the Rapier Championship list.

## • Marshal – Godwyn Reynard:

In the three weeks since last council, we have had two practices. Practice on the 11th was canceled due to lack of interest. Low participation is common in the late fall and throughout the winter so this is not unexpected.

We will not be holding practice on the 25th due to circumstances beyond my control. If there is interest, we may hold a practice either Saturday the 28th or Sunday the 29th.

January 18th Adiantum will be holding a war practice at the Seneschal's house. People should come out and support the war effort.

## • Archery Marshal – Iurii Levchenich:

We have been fairly active this month so far, with Durin attending the practice on the 4th along with Brynjarr and Isis' daughter, Tess; our Barony's Archery Champion, Rowland of Jerago attended yesterday's practice and discussed his ideas for the targets and props he is making for his Championship at Birthday Bash, it will be challenging, but also a lot of fun, that's all I can say for now!

HL Katherine Fox and I have been shooting the new SSAC challenge - "Quarterly & Saltire", we are both in the Top Ten so far for Period Handbow, and I might possibly be placed in the Top Ten for Open Handbow.

Of special note for the different Royal Round Top Ten categories, only one archer from Adiantum placed in any of the different categories:

\*\*Congratulations goes out to our Baron, Evan Dunbar, who placed 3rd overall in the Open Bow class with an average of 100.3, HUZZAH!!

There will be an Archery practice this Wednesday, the new time will be from 4:00pm to 5:45pm at BowTech on Highway 99.

## • Thrown Weapons Marshal – William Cristofore:

Indoor practices continue, no injuries. We should have a dart board ready for January or sooner on request. Loaner darts are at the range.

A proposed early 2020 schedule is on the discussion page. Please comment on schedule, December 17 is deadline.

In 2019, five Adiantum throwers submitted enough scores for an average. For 2020, I would like to double that number.

## • Scribe – Thorholf Egilsson:

We will be having our monthly Scribal night with four people committed to attending and possibly another 4 who may show up.

Our scribes and illuminators will be working on thank you cards and baronial charters needed for Midwinters Feast.

Other than this, nothing new to report.

## • Seneschal – Murchadh Monaidh Chraoibhe:

Attended 11th Night, including Moot. Report submitted. Administrative clean-up progressing.

## • Social Media Officer – Nai Martyn:

Page Likes are up 226% with a total of 26 new likes. BUT

Post reach and engagement is down. We have not posted engaging material or promoted any future events effectively.

I continue to feel frustration regarding what feels like a "gag" order on marketing 12th Night. I have fallen into a pattern of creating branch local gathering events in batches, and would like to post the next quarters worth of scheduled activities. I will be digging up my web-minister deputy credentials and attempting to update the website calendar to coincide with those.

Live feeding the Monthly business meeting continues to be utilized, we had several members attend virtually, even one report submitted thusly, and discussion contributions via chat.

A Business meeting location with WiFi continues to be a high priority.

## • Webminister – Skjaldar—Porsteinn Thunderhand:

Website didn't break, all requested updates have been applied as of 12/13/19.

## **Additional Business:**

None.

## Meeting closed at 7:38 pm (a new record)