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Officer Positions Needed

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Note from the Chronicler

I'm always looking for contributions for upcoming newsletters. Please contact me if you have anything you would like to share.

-Isabel atte Grene

JAN/FEB FINANCIAL/BUSINESS MEETING

In person attendees: Robert Simpson, Shelly Armitage, Vicki Freyer-Foster, Anne Harwood, Janet McTague, Kevin Rutherford, Gord Daley, Lisa Lamb

Via internet: Nerissa Hymers, Tristan Daley, Jennifer Baird, Joe Turner, Danel Fisher, Shona Wagner

Financial Meeting called to order at 19:06

Winter War Update – hall agreement has been signed. Site tokens being created. War Points being organized. A&S will take place where the merchants were set up last year.

Silverwolf – looking for bids.

Sergeant Trials – there will be no dedicated event for Sergeants Trials this year. The candidate(s) will be tested over a number of different events.

Known World Heraldic and Scribal Symposium – scheduled for 2019. Joe needs to fill two remaining volunteer positions: merchant coordinator and fundraising coordinator. Cut off for submissions are April, 2018.

Current bank Balance: \$22291.77

Proposed 2018 budget: current profit indicates a year end profit of \$585.00 except that due to not having access to the AACL hall for various events, we will be renting the Bent Arrow hall for Community Activities for \$700.00, which leave us with a \$200.00 loss for the 2018 financial year.

Thus ensued discussion about how to increase revenue for the Barony. Suggestions included:
-charge more for events and Community Activities;
-minimum site fees;
-demos
-Community Activities is always a shortfall that is covered by event income.
Motion to approve 2018 budget by Shona Wagner. Seconded by Gord Daley. Motion carried.

Signing authorities for the Barony need to be updated.

Motion: to remove Candace Collette from the list of signing authorities, replace her with Shelly Armitage and keep the other signing authorities, being Dezi Farruga, Jennifer Baird, Corry VanderZee, Nerissa Hymers and Vicki Foster.
Motion carried.

On February 7, 2018 at Tavern a business meeting was held.

Vicki Foster motioned that we amend the previous motion to add signing authorities to read:

To add Shelly Armitage to the list of signing authorities and keep the other signing authorities, being Candace Collette, Dezi Farruga, Jennifer Baird, Corry Vanderzee, Nerissa Hymers, and Vicki Foster.

The motion was seconded by Reme Rudyk.

Open discussion on why we were keeping Candace Collette, which is that we must have a kingdom representative and she has been approved by Tracy Walker, Kingdom Seneschal.

Closed discussions.

31 Ayes
1 No
3 Abstentions

The motion was carried.

Profit-sharing with Kingdom: it was determined that this issue should be revisited next year as currently Borealis is not in a financial position to entertain this proposal for our upcoming year based on budget projections.

The vote for support of profit sharing this fiscal year was:

Nays: 9

Ayes: 1

Abstentions: 2

Meeting adjourned at 19:49

Business Meeting

Called to order at 19:49

Baron: Baroness had to work. Looking forward to hearing your thoughts.

Seneschal: Seneschal and Exchequer's offices are interim appointments and we are currently looking for applications for these positions. Vicki is unable to continue as Exchequer past Winter War.

-New Chronicler need in March

-New Websminister needed immediately

-Herald is looking for replacement. Would be willing to stay on as deputy.

-We do not have the hall for March 7 (Tavern). Can tavern be held on Friday night, March 9?

-Nerissa will look into booking the MacLeod Hall for tavern on March 9.

Exchequer – as above

Chatelaine – Deep Freeze Festival was organized, but due to weather and last minute cancellations, the SCA withdrew participation. Looking forward to potentially doing Kaleido Fest in September.

Suggestion put forward by Shelly that we form a committee that will investigate the various festivals and events in the city to see what would be a good fit for the SCA in terms of demos. Could increase revenue and exposure, expand our community. This topic will be put before the populace at tavern on February 7 for discussion. Possibly form the committee.

A&S Minister – Glass classes offered this weekend by Alysa Harron in enameling and faience. One spot left in enameling class, lots left for faience.

Winter War war point has been decided and will be announced shortly.

Old Business

Tavern/Business Meeting split – those members of the populace who wrote in to express their opinion indicated they would like to see the business meeting and Tavern recombined (with the exception of one respondent, who was neutral). Remarks included such that the separation of meetings and taverns hurt the Barony as it drastically reduces the level of involvement of the populace as a whole.

Also, that as a volunteer organization, it is difficult for busy people with busy lives to set aside extra hours for both of these activities.

Of those present either physically and “virtually” at the meeting, six voted in favour of recombining the business meeting and Tavern.

Other suggestions included:

-To have Tavern on Friday nights, separate from business meeting, to allow for more socializing

-Having business meetings every quarter, instead of every month. (Looking into Kingdom Law to see if this is a possibility for discussion).

-Increase interest in business meeting by placing emphasis on one officer per month at tavern to showcase responsibilities and duties.

-Having business meeting during Community Activities

This topic will be put before the populace at tavern on February 7 for discussion.

New Business

What are we trying to accomplish with demos? Let's ask the populace.

Meeting adjourned at 20:04

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