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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

DECEMBER FINANCIAL/BUSINESS MEETING

Attending in person: Robert Simpson, Shelly Armitage, Vicki Freyer-Foster, Anne Harwood, Janet McTague, Jackie Rudyk, Nerissa Hymers

Via Internet: Jennifer Baird, Jonathan K., Danel Fisher, Joe Turner

Financial Meeting Minutes
Called to order at 19:10

Yule Wrap-up – 181 adults, 29 youth and children attended. Profit 1386.00.

Winter War – only one bid (from Uli). Proposed profit \$1150 with \$20.00 site fee and \$20.00 merchant fee (as discussed earlier).

Robert – the space on the other side of the concession is available to rent for A&S/merchandising. Uli is looking at how much. Discussion around security (if other areas of arena are rented to different groups), separation from main events and cost effectiveness. General agreement to bid without extra space being needed.

Vicki – motion to accept Uli's bid. Carried.

TUA – January Tavern is a fundraiser – bottle drive still on. Vicki is waiting to meet with Inga to finalize list of instructors.

Sergeant's Trials – hosted by Borealis this year. Quad War site is booked. No bids yet.

Silverwolf – no bids yet. Bids are due by our March meeting if anyone is interested.

Reimbursements
-Yule (cheques all cashed)

- No new expenses
- Financial budget to be approved at January meeting
- Changes to policy are posted on Baronial website

Tribute Proposal

- Current proposal is to give \$1200.00 to Kingdom for 2017 followed by 10% of the profits from each Baronial event each year going forward.

Discussions around waiting for 2018 budget, Borealis still subsidizing for Community Activities, Barony has approx. \$2000 over operating costs currently, should we profit share with kingdom when we operate at a loss each year, if Kingdom is considering investing are they not financially stable, when we host Kingdom level events there is money returned to kingdom, perhaps look at donating items (eg/ new thrones) made in Borealis to kingdom (note that there is still a cost attached unless all materials/time donated). Nerissa moved to have the discussion tabled until January meeting, Anne seconded. Passed.

Outstanding cheques – Warburg (\$900.00)

Balance: \$21,886.61

Discussions about storage locker, what are arrangements and cost, formal signed agreement in place? Vicki is working on this (in the New Year) with the Kingdom Exchequer and Chamberlain.

Confirmed that the netting all belongs to Borealis now, formal agreement to follow.

Jackie – motion to adjourn at 19:50

Business Meeting Minutes

Baron – thanks for coming. Has Lost & Found from Yule, will post online soon.

Seneschal – Posted dates and times for hall on FB. If you don't see the date on the list, we don't have the hall.

Exchequer – looking for a Baronial Chamberlain to deal with organizing storage shed, signing stuff in and out.

Knight Marshall – n/a

Minister of Arrows – n/a

Youth Combat – need armour, existing stuff is falling apart.

Master of Fence – n/a

Chatelaine – we received an invite to participate in Deep Freeze Festival on Jan 12 – 13 at the hall. Will discuss with more details at January Tavern

Gold Key – n/a

A&S Minister – had a successful Yule in terms of classes and single entrants for the A&S Championship. Champion was appointed for the first time in Baronial history. Congrats to new Champion, Chanel Brown/Aesa Valdis. Congrats as well to the new Bardic Champion, Roderick!

Herald – term ends at Jan Tavern

Scribe – looking for deputy(ies) & replacement

Web Minister – vacant

Things to Celebrate

- Good Yule

- Involve new members more as deputies in offices to engage and educate (i.e. job shadowing)

Old Business

Nerissa – when do we revisit the issue of tavern and Business meeting being separate?

Shelly – Business meeting on Feb 1. Please bring options for future meetings to the table.

New Business

Robert – huge increase in Youth fighters. Can we consider a Youth Champion?

Jackie – ask the populace.

Shelly motioned to adjourn.

Seconded by Jackie.

Adjourned 20:21

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