

**Meeting Minutes for Shire of Owlsherst
February 25, 2020**

Meeting convened: 7:02 PM

Meeting adjourned: 9:08 PM

Members in attendance: 14

Thank you to Cordeilla for the Faschnachts!

OFFICER'S REPORTS

Seneschale – Linette— No report.

Deputy Seneschal – Orlaithe – absent.

Exchequer – Fabrisse—reported current balance. EK 4th quarter report filed.

Deputy Exchequer – vacant, need volunteer.

Knight's Marshal – Wulfgar—Wulfgar is cleared for fighting! Indoor practices continue. 3 new heavy fighter attendees, 1 new rapier attendee. Youth participation has decreased some. Working with Unna on logistics for archery practice.

Arts & Sciences Minister – Esmeria — EK A&S Championships are the weekend of Feb. 29th.

Chatelain – Dinnie --- EK report filed. Has been reaching out as new people attend Wednesday sessions. Touching base and following up with all interested parties. Received kudos from the Regional Chatelaine for our recruiting efforts. Barony of Bright Hills (Atlantia) donated some feast gear for Gold Key. This has also been supplemented by Edmund and Esmeria.

Deputy Chatelaine – Unna – no report.

Chronicler – Siobhán --- December minutes submitted. No updates.

Chronicler's Deputy for Social Media – Cordeilla –Medieval news posts daily on public FB page; interest and engagements staying the same. Shire members are encouraged to share posts and event notices on their personal FB pages.

Herald – Kalista — Heraldry changes: legal relatives names now allowed, number of registrations increased to 10.

Webminister – Edmund — EK report submitted.

Minister of Lists – Conall — Absent.

Chamberlaine – Ketilriðr— Absent.

Deputy Chamberlaine – Cordeilla – Need to locate a bin/bag of Shire wall hangings.
UPDATE: found next day.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Coronation** – Banner stand fundraiser income, expenses, and profit reported. Motion passed to donate \$400 to Crown and send a card.
- **Twelfth Night 2020** – Expenses for feast, church rental, and other expenses reported. We came in well under budget, so a tidy profit was made. Thank you to Fabrisse for getting all the receipts and financial information processed.
- **Archery Equipment** – Unna – report of archery inventory submitted. Indoor practice areas for winter have been too expensive to utilize. Looking into outdoor alternatives for nice weather. Also investigating marshaling at union Canal event in the Spring. Proposal for arrow fletching and maintenance classes submitted, will survey for interest before proceeding with purchasing supplies.
- **Barony Discussion & Meetings** – Membership Input Meetings—15 attended Lancaster meeting. Straw poll showed 13 in favor, 2 had further questions. York meeting is also scheduled. UPDATE: held next night, 27 attended, with Baron from Hartshorn-Dale who gave overview and answered questions—many thanks! **THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT FOR ALL SHIRE MEMBERS TO CONSIDER AND GIVE INPUT!**
- **EK Western Region Discussion** – will be scheduling meetings at every event held within the region. There is also a mailing list, link to be provided on social media and Shire web page.

NEW BUSINESS

- Motion to reimburse Wulfgar for purchasing a sausage maker for Cooks Guild, and to purchase arming gloves, was approved.
- **MANY THANKS** and **VIVANT** to Edmund Forster and Esmeria de Rus for all the time and effort they have put into supporting the Shire! Not only have they worked hard at events, but they have been phenomenal officers. We will miss them greatly as they move to Atlantia.
- Because the offices of Webminister and A&S Minister will now be vacated by Edmund and Esmeria, new officers are needed. Regular officer nominations will be coming in the Spring.

For continuity's sake, Cordeilla has been made Deputy Webminister, with the idea that she will wrap all the "computer-oriented" activities she does for the Shire into her purview.

- Shire Marshals – "Marshals of Our Hearts" The Marshals who supervise Shire practices and events need to be designated as Shire Marshals. Nominations will be taken in the spring along with officer nominations. Also need clarification of responsibility for loaner fighter gear that is removed from the Shire for practices or storage.
- Shire Customals (Bylaws) – Need to be updated. Cordeilla will place notices and links on social media to inform Shire members and solicit input.
- Demos – Chatelaine - several upcoming possibilities for 2020, including
 - 4/25 New Faeridon Festival
 - 6/20 Penn-Mar Celtic Festival
 - 9/12 York Faerie Festival
 - New Holland Library Youth Group
 - Local camp young men and women interactions

Motion passed to participate in Penn-Mar Festival.

Motion passed to participate in New Faeriedom Festival if enough volunteers can be found. Dinnie will poll on social media to seek volunteers. Dinnie and Unna will scope out other events for possible future participation, including Lancaster ZenKaiKon, Celtic Fling in Manheim, Aaron's Bookstore in Lititz, and Meduseld Meadery in Lancaster (Wulfgar will also act as contact/coordinator for this).

- Gold Key needs to be organized and updated, and maintenance needs to be done. This will be scheduled for 3/25 at the regular Wednesday A&S meeting. Dinnie will coordinate, and will place notices on social media.

SCHEDULING

BARONY DISCUSSIONS – 2/26/20 York Church of the Brethren 7:00 pm

3/11/20 (wrap-up) York Church of the Brethren 7:00 pm

Fighter Practice— Wednesdays from 6 - 8:30 pm at York Church of the Brethren. Regional practice will be the 3rd Wednesday of every month. In months when a 5th Wednesday falls, fighters will join Aethelmarc's Thursday practice instead. NO PRACTICE 12/25/19 or 1/1/20.

Youth Fighter Practice—2nd Wednesdays 6 - 8:30 pm at the Brethren Church.

Rapier Practice—6 - 8:30 pm at the Brethren Church.

Thrown Weapons Practice -- will be held on occasional Fridays as scheduling permits.

Archery Practice – TBA

A&S Meetings—6 - 8:30 pm at the Brethren Church.

3/25/20 –Gold Key organization and maintenance

Cooks Guild—TBA

Skyn, Wynd, and Wyre—no practices scheduled.

Owlsherst Research for Barony Committee---TBA

NEXT SHIRE BUSINESS MEETING: Tuesday 3/24/2020