

## Meeting Minutes for Shire of Owlsherst

**October 24, 2023**

### **HOUSEKEEPING**

- Harassment Policy
- Zoom Recording Started 7:00 PM
- Approval of minutes from previous meetings -Members need to look at past meeting minutes for approval in November

Present - Cordeilla, Celine, Widow Kaite, Hans, Linette, Marcus, Wulfgar, Siobahn, Dinnie, D'Oryen, Seraphina, Orlaithe, Gerhard, Kalista, Dagrún, Annetje

Absent - Unna

### **OFFICER'S REPORTS**

- Seneschal – Orlaithe - Minutes are ready for review. Please read them before the next meeting, and we'll approve them.
- Exchequer –Kalista – Bank balance is solvent, Has not yet deposited gate monies from event or donations from Wednesday
- Chronicler- Celine – NTR
- Arts & Sciences Minister – Seraphina - Reports she has not gotten responses from folks to teach classes. Several people mentioned they will be happy to teach, they were asked to send the pertinent info to Serafina. Siobahn offered fabric for sheet walls for Owlsherst camp.

Meet next week at Wednesday Shire Gathering

- Chatelaine –Linette – Have had a couple of new people to practices - Andrew and Mary at fencing, gentleman that moved from Northshield (Mike), there were some new people at event (Kira and Alex). Two people from Massachusetts at event. Wants to revamp storage for garb and so can get to it to ideal
- Webminister– Cordeilla – website is up to date. Yesterday she was made full admin of EK wiki, since outgoing minister taking over EK site.
- Herald – Donnchadh - NTR
- Chamberlain – Cordeilla - Signage still out of trailer from the event. Dunny has them, will exchange at Shire Gathering (SG)

- Knight's Marshal – Wulfgar - New person showing interest in heavies. Report was done end of August. Hans has money for donation to hand over
- Minister of Lists – Conall - NTR - does see authorizations in the future
- Rapier Marshal – d'Oryen - Rapier going well, Andrew, Mary and Mike are fencing as are a couple other new people. Congrats to Seraphina on her auth. Rapier Champions coming up on November 11. It is over in Hartshorndale.
- Captain of Archers – Unna – NTR practice was this weekend and upcoming next weekend
- Thrown Weapons Marshal – Gerhardt - Thrown weapon's practice was this weekend due to last week's rain. There is practice next week. Tried out a new type of target with end grain. Wulfgar and Quentin cut out knives for shire throwing knives. Still needs to heat treat tips and cut out a few more (3 styles)
- Youth Marshal – Widow Kait/Sean - NTR, competing with extracurricular activities for kids
- Chancellor Minor- Widow Kait - activities for the event, but no kids. Conall said to hold on for 12th Night.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

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- Shire Wars 2022 - did the Shire receive their check for the monies? Dagrún indicated that Kingdom Exchequer may have to be brought in on it. Orlaithe will leave it in Dagrún's hands.
- Re-vamping the Storage area - Conall - looks organized, but suggested to change clothes rack and shelving unit sizes. Suggest that Cordeilla , Linette, Wulfgar and Orlaithe go out and look at storage unit.
- Into the Woods - Siobhan - it was a good event. There was a lot of good feedback from the participants. There were 22-23 people. From preliminary after donation we will just break even. Asked for feedback from staff. There are things that the shire has, we could not get to out of the trailer. Propose that we put those

things toward the end of the shire for smaller events. It was a beautiful day and site for the event. Siobhan talked to the lead forrester and he was very happy. There were enough people that signed up for Forrester that we can get a group down here. Celine will get receipts to Kalista. Conall - could have a bin in the storage unit for the paper goods. Suggest that the hospitality and paper goods get extracted at 12th Night.

- Conall proposal to reimburse Dunnie and Siobahn for paper goods as it was a Shire cost and not event cost, Linette second. Passed unanimously
- 12th Night - Announcement up on Kingdom calendar, cooks will be developing menu, Conall asked if Paypal link is up and running. She contacted Kingdom. Need to find people to head up various past times. Will ask if Duchess Dianna can lead dance. Would like Linette for group singing, Wulfgar for Heavies, Children's activities Widow Kaite (she has to check schedule), Hans for Rapier. Would like to think about new sorts of activities for the event - let Conall know. Siobahn asked about bells for Blind Man's Bluff that she donated. They are in the game box
- Orlaithe researching Byzantine activities.
- Celine created FB group on food for 12th night
- Open access Byzantine Journal  
[https://www.medievalists.net/2023/10/leading-byzantine-studies-journal-now-open-access/?fbclid=IwAR1rBUSNcL\\_OwsbdCjfI0Ky\\_eOXav7kuZ\\_XPefQYq4TrTedi3WmYewdHPAYw](https://www.medievalists.net/2023/10/leading-byzantine-studies-journal-now-open-access/?fbclid=IwAR1rBUSNcL_OwsbdCjfI0Ky_eOXav7kuZ_XPefQYq4TrTedi3WmYewdHPAYw)

## **NEW BUSINESS**

-Loan of equipment to Hartshorndale for the Rapier Championship, all approved. Wulfgar and Cordeilla to coordinate.

-Cordeilla is coming up to Wednesday practice to collect signs. She can bring the lyst ropes, for Hartshorndale to borrow.

-D'Oryen can take the items for borrowing - Wulfgar make motion to loan it. D'Oryen seconds - passes unanimously

## **Upcoming Events of Interest:**

Refer to the Pikestaff/East Kingdom Website for event detail

## **Scheduling**

12th Night - Jan 20, 2024

**Reporting Schedule for Local Officers:** A copy of all reports should be sent to Seneschal

- Seneschal: March 30, June 30, Sept 30, Dec 30.
- A&S: June 1, Dec. 1
- Exchequer: Jan. 30, April 30, July 30, Oct. 30
- Archery Marshal: April 1, Oct. 1
- Chatelaine: Jan. 15, April 15, July 15, Oct. 15
- MoL: March 1
- Knight Marshal: Mar. 1, June 1, Sept. 1, Dec. 1
- Herald: March 1, June 1, Sept. 1, Dec. 1
- Thrown Weapons: April 1, Oct. 1
- Webminister: Jan. 15, April 15, July 15, Oct. 15.
- Chronicler: Dec. 15

## **Meeting Conclusion** 8:15 PM

- Next Meeting - November 28, 2023 at 7:00 via Zoom. Agenda items to Orlaithe by November 24, 2023.