



Hartwood Minutes

NOV 27, 2016 Council Meeting

Attendees

Cunegonda (Seneschal)
Harold (Herald)
Halima (Exechequer)
Wulfgar
Anikó (Chronicler)
Aline (Family Activities)
John MacAndrew
Symmone du Bois
Connal (Baron of Seagirt)
Letitia (Baroness of Seagirt)
Ulf (Chamberlain)
Sir Duncan (our Knight in shining armor)
Gwynafel

Meeting called to order at 12:20pm

A decision to adopt October's minutes at the December meeting was made

Officer Reports

Seneschal

- Went to Baroness' Tourney and met with Baroness Katrina. We may have to shuffle the Kerfuffle to not conflict with lionsgate. Will investigate further
- Clarity made on new policy regarding premiere events. This was discussed. Basically we have to choose which events are our premiere ones and they won't be allowed to conflict with anyone else's premiere events.
- We are moving newcomers to a level III event
- 2018 will be difficult to book the Duncan Kerfuffle and TUTR
- 2017 TUTR is grandfathered this year only

- A further discussion on new event structure ensued
- A file of all Premeire events is available online
- Discussion between Seagirt and Hartwood ensued on collaborating dates
- Possible calling of bigger events as a level III but we would have to ratify any awards at the following non level III event.
- Thank you to Aline for stepping up as Seneschal
- Thanks to Symmone for running a successful Yule
- Thanks to Gwynafel for all the Awesome A^S
- Thanks to Ulf for guarding the royals
- Thanks to Aniko for the newsletter
- Thanks to Harold for Everything
- Thank you everyone for all you do

Barony Presentation

We welcome Baron Connal and Baroness Letitia to make a presentation on the scope of what being a Barony (as opposed to a Shire) means to them

- We have the numbers in participating members and meet the requirement to become a barony.
- It would aid us in many ways as far as recognition and communications
- The B&B are the King's representatives at Noble Estate
- A B&B can serve two 3-year terms which are polled/voted on by members.
- Awards already given would elevate to Baronial Level
- We need to have 5 minimum officers on council (we totally meet this criteria)
- We are responsible to swear to the King and queen 2 times a year and that can be done through the Prince and Princess
- To maintain the branch we need to put bids in to be submitted for Princip. Events and Kingdo events. We need a war, we need sargents.
- There are costs for travel funds and there can be fundraising for that as well any B&B should have passports and ability to afford to attend a lot of events either together or separately
- We will also need coronets, cloaks, thornes, kneeler cushion and champion cloaks

- B&B should be at all principality events and most crowns. The time commitment is large and you must be available.
- Kingdom law states that the process to become a barony we need 3 sets of two people wishing to serve. Each must have SCA & Mundane Resumes posted in the newsletter. They will be voted on by membership. Non-members don't have a vote however are encouraged to comment. The person who gets the most votes serves a three year term then there is a confidence polling if they wish to serve another three years for their maximum term.
- We would need to run a poll regarding a run for barony. Then Talk to the current P&P. Draft a proposal then present a petition at investiture February 17th and create a charter.
- **MOTION: Gwyanafel moves that Cunegonda speaks to the Kingdom Seneschal and subsequently runs a poll asking the Hartwood populace if they want to pursue becoming a barony. 2nd by John. Passed**

A BREAK was held for us to regroup and move on with the meeting.

Officer Reports Continued

Execuequer

- submitted by Halima al-Rakkasa (MKA Linda J. Doerksen)
- Current balance: \$5436.50 in the combined accounts.
- Hartwood Yule details are preliminary; however, we had 75 adults and 10 children.
- Some cheque requests are coming through for office expenses, so the balance will be lower after today.
- Officers are reminded that they should submit their budget requests now to the finance committee (copy to exchequer@hartwood.tirrigh.org and seneschal@hartwood.tirrigh.org).
- Those wishing to organize shire/principality/kingdom events are reminded get their budget proposals in as soon as possible. A year or two ahead is acceptable!
- Reminder that I will be stepping down in one year; consider becoming a deputy exchequer! Learn how to do the job, and become a "drop-dead deputy" (who can take over if the exchequer drops dead, but not necessarily for a full term), or even the next exchequer! Apply now! (Talk to the current exchequer and seneschal.) Noted that Symonne has expressed an interest.
- Please submit your budgets ASAP
- Symonne has expressed interest in becoming a deputy

Seneschal addendum

- Submit your January bids for events by December meeting please.

MOS

- We had an extraordinary meeting & Ulf stepped up as MOS
- Fighting is happening in the Nanaimo region, the venue works and about 4 fighters per practice are showing up.
- A practice was held at Yule
- Fighting demo held at Quarter Ecole School in Nanaimo as part of a fundraiser for the school. We got great media coverage via the Nanaimo Bulletin Newspaper.

Chief Archer

- Looks like 7 archers will make top 10 medallions.
- I am awaiting final confirmation. Outdoor archery season is closed and I am waiting to coordinate possible indoor practices in Courtenay.

Castellan / Chatelain

- I need to report the demo we did which I think Dave will probably talk about.
- I gave the lady who ran that event my contact information for next year.
- Also that we had a lot of new people at yule and 2 of them that I know of are wanting to get out to fight practice.

A&S

- Thank you to Gwynafel for her term as A&S Minister. Paperwork needs to be sent to Argolia about the transfer of the office to Sigrun and Sarah.
- Largess at yule was a HUGE success
- Westwood (Port Alberni) has started an A&S Night at the Tolfo's. Prudence is the contact.

Herald

- Success! Manouvered three Hartwod Heraldry and waiting for a few new members' names and devices to clear.
- Has been asked to help with Seagirt's herald in their office! What an honour!

Chamberlain

- We have stuff!

Chief Scribe

- My notes have only that there was a Swan Tag created.
- Scribal challenges are going out and being met.
- MOTION by Hlaima for Hartwood to fund more sealing wax as we are out. 2nd by Aniko. Passed.

- Kudos to the massive number of people who participated in the creation of charters and tokens for our shire!
- Shire paint palettes are ready for use
- And that workshops are in the planning stages

Chronicler

- Would like to make the newsletter quarterly
- Would like ALL officers to submit an article on a quarterly basis that doesn't have to be large.
- Ulf moves that officers supply a quarterly article for the newsletter to the Chronicler. 2nd Gwynafel. Passed.

Family Activities

- We had 6 children participate at Yule. ALI had fun.
- Lady Elizabeth MacAndrew ran games and kept the P&P's little ones occupied. Many thanks.
- Officer is going to have to leave this office to step up as Seneschal. We are looking for a replacement by April 2017

Chief Chucker

- Overall standing we are 2 points short of being in first place only to Fjordland.
- Fjordland and Hartwood are the only reporting areas of Tir Righ reporting on a Principality level
- Budget passed last meeting to get more supplies and has been actioned and it waiting at the post office.

Old Business

YULE Post Mortem

- 75 through the door. 65 adults, 2 youth, 4 children. 4 Complimentary (23 visitors) only 22 were non-members. \$780 was brought in. \$120 goes to kingdom for NMS, which after expenses we are left with a \$335 profit.
- Hall was a bit small, we were not expecting QUITE so many however we are happy with the outcome.
- Prince and Princess attended as did Tanist and Ban-Tanist
- Everything ran smoothly, everyone helped
- Aria served lunch for everyone at her expense. Going forward we would like to create a line in the budget for this as it was a benefit for all.
- 2 Champions: Bardic went to Nichola and Filk to Prudence
- Craftsman challenge went to Elizabeth Chatfield
- Membership draw was won by Anikó
- A&S challenge was won by Tatiana of Seagirt

- Largest donation to P&P was OVERFLOWING

Website

- Preparing a budget. Cannot really move forward on the project until we approve the platform

A&S Belt

- Chain of office for seneschal may be redundant if we become a Barony.

New Business

Our Kit is missing!

- Our hartwood kit (plate) was borrowed pre-Sea Lion war by a visitor to fight practice. We need to pursue legal action as the person has not returned it and is currently ignoring our requests to return it. We have attempted to contact her as well as her mother. She has not returned any messages and her mother has requested we not contact her in the future regarding her daughter.
- We would like to take one month to proceed with this according to society rules.

Events

Yule 2017

- Bit to be submitted next meeting

Newcomers 2017

- Hall is available
- Anikó cannot commit to running the event due to stupid mundane work stuff but will support
- Halima offered to take up the bid

Adjourned at 3:45pm