

Cynnabar Baronial Meeting November 9, 2023, at 7:00 pm - 11 in attendance and 2 through Google Meet.

Announcements:

- Hawksbridge have decided to leave the SCA and be their own entity. We are no longer their sponsoring group.
- Beth reported that Straum said if we're going to do Grand Day we'll need more coins. Feedback on if we want gambling to continue in the future would be useful. Is this something we want to keep doing?
- Patty: Feast gear storage boxes - Need replacing? Concerns over the ability of the containers to keep the gear sanitary. Beth recently replaced one of them last weekend. We believe that this concern has been cared for by Beth.
 - Last weekend Beth moved one of the feast gear totes to one that wasn't being used. The barn has a leaky roof and Beth has marked on the floor where it isn't safe to put items. Unfortunately, one of the GoldKey Feast Gear was destroyed and had to be removed permanently.

New Business:

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Old Business:

- Social Media Officer (**meeting two of three**)
 - Valka would like to step down from this position. Beth would like to step back up.
 - Sounds like we're moving forward to the third meeting. No comments were given at this time.

Events:

1. Grand Day of Tournaments
 - a. After event summary/notes
 - i. Godhit says that it was successful.
 - ii. Notes from Diamonte:
 1. Grand Day had a total of 316 people attend (22 youth). Net even profit was \$2,239.62 - NOTE- the Baronial bank balance AFTER the 12th Night deposit and the Wassail site fee is \$10,761. Any questions? Contact the Exchequer directly, or she plans to be at next week's meeting.
 - iii. Claire liked the site and loved the food trucks. Others agreed

about the food trucks.

- iv. Finn asked if there was anything we could approve for next time?
 - 1. Godhit suggested:
 - a. Set-up questions in the morning-of in terms of list fields. May need more people on-the-ground for morning set-up so that questions can be quickly answered.
 - b. Godhit was concerned with the number of service animals that were in attendance and whether the site would have an issue with it.
 - c. The food truck was originally a concern because of the price, but it seems that the truck worked out well and it sounds like there wasn't any concern from people purchasing lunch, despite the higher pricing.
 - 2. Godhit said that everything went very well with little issues this year. There were expected hiccups, but were promptly dealt with accordingly and nothing exceptional.
 - 3. His Excellency suggests that the tournaments need to be decided a month ahead of time to get the information out.
- v. Rosalyn would like us to consider that we made a good amount of money. Would like to consider reducing the price in the future.
 - 1. Beth explained that we had an unusual amount of people at Grand Day this year and that last year we lost over \$1K the previous year and other venues have gone up. Finding venues has become increasingly harder. We know we likely won't profit next year the way we did this year.
 - 2. Hannah agreed it was an anomaly and every time we run an event we're at risk.
 - 3. Ceara reported having looked at several events within the kingdom and found that \$20 seems to be a close average for events currently.
- b. Oct 26, 2024
 - i. Monroe has offered us this date, should we want it.
 - 1. It was brought up that we typically have it the 2nd weekend of November. There are concerns about having it on Halloween weekend.
 - 2. The site is a nice site and easy to get to -Claire
 - 3. The minus is that there is no kitchen for use.
 - 4. The consensus is to hold off on reserving the site to discuss more about what weekend may be best, and if

other site options could be available that are less expensive.

- c. Event follow-up and possible event steward for Grand Day 2024
 - i. Ceara is considering stewarding Grand Day 2024. Waiting for information about sites in the future as well as discussing site details.
 - ii. After some discussion, it was decided that Ceara would do the end-of-event review for people who attended Grand Day as well as hold a meeting that wraps up Grand Day to address any concerns or improvements that can be made for next year.

2. Wassail (**Dec 3rd**) -

- a. Good news! The \$75 that we thought we would have to pay for insurance was not needed as we only needed to add the Chelsea Fairgrounds to the insurance and aren't asking for additional costs.
- b. Valka, Beth, Wanda, and Ceara are visiting the barn next Friday to think about decorations for Wassail.
- c. Since we don't need to pay the \$75 and it has already been approved for Wassail, Ceara asked that it be available for use for extra decorations. It's been several years and could use a little updating. The group was asked if this would be a concern. With the success we recently had at Grand Day, it was decided that this wouldn't be a problem. Giovanna will bring this up at the next meeting.
- d. Hannah is leading the Dessert Auction. The auction will be a private fundraiser to help cover 12th Night NMS fees.
- e. Ceara spoke with Kacie about the fire pit. She said that if we have a permit for the fire pit we can use it. Ceara sent her the information about permits and is waiting to have the final say on how this would work. Art has the log and will bring it if it is approved.

3. 12th Night in Pentamere (**Jan 6th, 2024**) - Hannah -

- a. We made a deposit and officially have the site.
- b. Has had 2 staff meetings to date.
- c. Diamonte is setting up pre-registration to open about Thanksgiving. This should hopefully encourage the sale of feast tickets.
- d. The feast menu will be out about a month before the event.
- e. It will be a true Pentamere event with the Pentamere Excellencies, including a challenge for the Pentamere Pearl! (Due to royalty attending Kingdom 12th Night in Ayreton.)
- f. A&S classes are needed.

- g. We need a lunch tavern proposal by next week. Possibly Leopold will be bringing it forth next week. Hannah said we have to have a lunch tavern and she'll make sure there is a proposal next week to make sure we have enough time for it to be approved before 12th Night.
 - h. There will be a list of activities that will be available to participate in, including classes, dancing, and more.
 - i. Looking for merchants!
- 4. Terpsichore planning (March 16th)
 - a. Elaine and Claire went to Westminster Presbyterian Church. Has a ton of classrooms and parking with a great hall and easy access.
 - b. March 16th is the date being considered.
 - c. Cost based on previous Terps was \$500-\$600 and this site would be between \$600 and \$700! There is a discount for 501C3s. Sounds like it will work out well. The proposal will be coming next week.
- 5. St. Cecilia
 - a. Ermenrich is considering a date and is planning on putting in a proposal.
 - b. No update just yet.

Their Excellencies -

All good!

Our next business meeting will be on November 16th, 2023 at 7:00pm.