

# Shire of Hartshorn-dale Shire Meeting November 2, 2006. Minutes

## Approved 12/7/06

In attendance were: Elizabet Marshall; John Marshall; Sabatina da Valle; Tomas Wormwood; Gavan MacBane; Michel Wolffauer; Margarete of Stirlingshire; Finn Finnegan O'Flynn; Diana Alene; Osgrim Iserbit; John de Lithia; [Arlyn Bell]; Scolastica; Alison Wodehalle; Steven de Sheffield; Georg Kopeman; Bricia de Neubald; Kolozsvari Arpad; Kolosvari Arpadne Julia (*Note that the attendance list is offered in the order the attendance sheet was signed. Only SCA names are given, where available. Reference to people in these minutes will be by their most common name. A more formal list of names or clarification is available upon request. As always, the Secretarie apologizes for any incorrect spellings and welcomes corrections.*)

**I. Officer Reports** (*In continuing effort to make the Minutes a clear and logical document, the Secretarie offers the following format for the Officer Reports. The reports will be listed in the Minutes in alphabetical order each month, regardless of the order in which they are offered at meeting. Only those offices making report are listed.*)

A. Demo Coordinator Margarete reporting

There are two upcoming demos, 11/8 and 11/16. 11/8 is staffed, but help is still needed for 11/16. An email will go to the list.

A comment received following the summer demo with the Boy Scouts – “Better than video games.”

B. Domesday Julia reporting

It's time to update the Domesday. Shire members and friends are reminded to go on line to submit an update.

C. Exchequer Mike reporting

We have \$6,231.06 total in bank accounts, \$1569.47 in other assets for a total of \$7800.53. Mike took T-shirts to demos. There was some interest, but no sales because of the price. It was decided to drop the price to \$15.00. It was suggested that the T-shirts be listed on the web page.

D. Herald(s) Scolastica reporting

Two names and devices of shire members cleared Laurel.

E. Secretarie Elizabet reporting

The October minutes are missing a section and approval was waived until December.

F. Seneschal Finn reporting.

The revised Charter was sent to Kingdom. Finn has not heard anything back.

## **II. Demos and Events**

### **A. Demos**

#### 1. MCCC Community Day.

It was very cold, but the day went well. There were a handful of fighters, some games, some sewing, etc. The participants were filmed and the North Penn Reporter took photos. One person who came to watch has now attended practices. This is an event the Shire should consider doing again. The College was very pleased to have us present

#### 2. Two Boy Scout demos

11/8 and 16. See Demo Coordinator officer report above.

### **B. Events (listed individually)**

#### 1. St. Sebastian Fair

Elizabeth presented the proposal as revised following last month's meeting, together with the proposed announcement for Pikestaff. (Not attached, but can be made available on request). As requested last month, the cost of portable toilets was investigated and determined to be \$150 each. This event is not expected to be so large as to require same, but the information will be kept in mind for future need. Following additional discussion, the event was approved.

#### 2. Nova Schola

Arlyn will be the Deputy Autocrat. Alison presented the updated proposal and announcement. (Not attached, but can be made available on request). It was recommended to list class titles, even without full schedule, on the EK Website announcement as they are received to generate interest. Following additional discussion, the event was approved.

#### 3. All's Fair

The next formal meeting will be in January. Diana requested the write up for the Southern Lights competition.

## **III. Officer Selection**

It being November, it was time for the second stage of officer selection. In October, the nominations were taken. Officer selection proceeded as follows:

### **A. Exchequer – Candidate Michel**

Mike expressed that he would like to continue the work he has done as Exchequer. He feels the Shire finances are in good shape. As required, he has submitted

policies to Kingdom Exchequer. His goals for the coming term – to see inventory under control.

The group chose to waive dismissal of Michel for discussion. Vote was taken and Mike was approved.

B. Secretarie – Candidate Elizabet

Elizabet expressed that she had hoped someone would come forward, but her feeling that the position is vital is strong enough for her to continue. She feels she will be able to continue to do the job. She also expressed the hope that a new deputy may be found and, ultimately, someone to take over in time.

The group chose to waive dismissal of Elizabet for discussion. Vote was taken and Elizabet was approved.

C. Dance – Candidate Diana

Diana is interested in continuing as Dance Mistress. She noted that in practice has become weekly and the occasional fifth Friday ball has been very successful. Work has begun on preparing a guide.

The group chose to waive dismissal of Diana for discussion. Vote was taken and Diana was approved.

D. MOL – Candidate Tomas

Tomas is happy to continue the position. He noted that it is good for the Shire to have an MOL even if it is simply to have someone line up an MOL when needed if he is unable to attend. When asked what the group might be able to do to help him, he said that it would be good to have a deputy whom he could take to other events and get introduced to the MOL community. It was suggested that the practices begin to use him on occasion – possibly a “fifth Wed.” or an occasional Sunday mini-tournament.

The group chose to waive dismissal of Tomas for discussion. Vote was taken and Tomas was approved.

E. Thrown Weapons – Candidate Gavan

Gavan is happy to continue holding thrown weapon practices. There are some participants.

The group chose to waive dismissal of Gavan for discussion. Vote was taken and Gavan was approved.

F. Web Minister – Candidate Osgrim

Osgrim noted that he is learning about PHP and HTML. He has a lot of programming experience, knows the basics for the web and has a lot of support. He has several ideas he is looking forward to implementing. Osgrim was asked about having

procedures to update the web and noted that it is one of his goals to have the site updated regularly and keep it fresh. He was asked about availability and he said that he would be available and respond to inquiries in a timely manner.

The group chose to waive dismissal of Osgrim for discussion. Vote was taken and Osgrim was approved.

G. Chronicler – Candidate Elizabet

Elizabet noted that she has several ideas about reviving The Herald. She did note that deadlines will be firm so that the newsletter will come out in a timely manner. She was asked about frequency and indicated that she hopes to have the newsletter come out six times a year, with possible “Extras” if there is something of importance in the between months.

The group chose to waive dismissal of Elizabet for discussion. Vote was taken and Elizabet was approved.

H. Chamberlain – Candidate Arelinda

Arelinda was unable to attend the meeting due to illness. She emailed a statement to Finn, which was read. (It was noted that the Charter does not require attendance by the candidate.) Arelinda was recently appointed to the Chamberlain position and has begun the process of sorting, listing and caring for the Shire property.

Following discussion, vote was taken and Arelinda was approved.

I. Herald – Candidate Lilia

Lilia was also unable to attend the meeting due to illness. The current Herald, Scholastica, spoke for her, noting that Lilia is already a warranted herald and a member of the Sisterhood of Walburga, a Heraldic Sisterhood. It was also noted that Lilia served very well as an officer in the past and is “not going into [this] blindly.” After some discussion (mostly related to the possibility of registering a name and badge for the Shire’s herald), vote was taken and Lilia was approved.

**IV. Old Business**

**V. New Business/”For the good of the group”**

Osgrim noted that he has been reminded again by the Boy Scouts that the Castle site is available if we are interested. There was some discussion of possible uses, including a commons.

Starting next year, Sabatina will begin to ask Shire members with knowledge of particular periods for garb to do workshops.

**VI. Calendar**

December Shire meeting will be at Sabatina's house (pending another location). It was suggested that we check with the Royers-Graves school (site of heavy weapons practice) to see if we can use space there for shire meetings.

There will be no dance on 11/17 or 24. There will be no Archery on 11/14. There will be no fencing on 12/25. 12/29 is a Fifth Friday and dance practice will be a Holiday ball.

Respectfully Submitted  
Elizabeth Marshall  
(Kandy Fling)