

Minutes
Meeting of the Board of Directors
Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc.

12 August 1975

The meeting was called to order with the Chairman's new gavel at 8:45.

Present: Members of the Board: Doug Olsen (Douglas Brownbeard), Chairman and Exchequer
Diana Studebaker (Diana Listmaker)
Carolyn Conroy (Carolyn O'Connaire)
Dave Green (Ruthven of Rockridge)
Bill Rolls (William of Hoghton)

Staff and Visitors: Linda von Brasket (Linda-Muriel von Katzenbrasse), Chronicler
Richard Barnhart (Richard of Mont Real), Registrar
Bob Cook (Robin Devilmark), Clerke of the Board
Andy Smith (Andrew of Riga)
Robert Meyer (Robert of Westmarch), Deputy Exchequer
Trude Copland (Trude Lacklandia), Chronicler - West
Steve Henderson (Steven MacEanruig)
Henrik Olsgaard (Henrik of Havn)
Marsden Chew (Ealasaid nicChluraine)
Bill Jouris (William the Lucky)

1.a. Adoption of the Agenda.

The proposed agenda was amended to include 4c. Executive Session, 5b. Further clarification on women fighting, 5c. Corpora revision. Motion to approve the agenda as amended: Moved-Carolyn, Second-Bill. Passed (5-0)

1.b. Approval of the Minutes of the July meeting.

Page 3 Line 4: Delete the word 'King' before Andrew. He has volunteered in his private capacity.

Motion to accept the minutes as amended: Moved-Bill, Second-Carolyn. Passed (5-0)

2.a. There was no routine new business.

3.a. No reports were recieved prior to 29 July.

3.b. Reports recieved by 12 August: The Exchequer report for July 1975.

Income: 79.50 From sales by the Stock Clerk

Outgo: 66.69 General Office Expenses
625.15 Registry (Includes 151.00 for reimbursement of Xerox expenses from last year)
2.00 Special (To West Kingdom College of Heralds for Check routed in error to the Society.)
50.00 Stock Clerk (Postage)
598.50 Newsletters
1,345.35 Total

The Exchequer's report was recieved without objection.

Marshal: The Marshal notes that his address is 622 Mingus, Prescott, AZ 86301. Everyone will discard old and inaccurate addresses from their files and substitute the correct one (which is 2 years old already!)

4.a. Disclaimer Statement for 'unofficial' newsletters.

There has been some difficulty over newsletters which are put out by branches of the Society or by individuals independent of the Mailing List of the Society. The Board's basic desire was to give limited permission to such publications to use the name of the Society and to encourage such local publications, while giving some guidance so that it would not be assumed that these publications were delineating policy for the Society. The issue was further complicated by the desire of some Board members that a means be found to associate the Society's name with certain other types of publications. Motion to have Carolyn draft an appropriate statement considering the proposed statement from the Chronicler and the discussion of the Board. Moved-David, Second-Bill. Passed (David and Diana:Yes, rest:abstaining)

4.b. Possibility of Viscounts and Viscountesses.

It has been proposed that the titles Viscount and Viscountess be given to those who have been Prince or Princess of a Principality. It was discovered that this has not yet been referred to the Lady Laurel Queen of Arms for comment. Motion to so refer it. Moved-Carolyn, Second-Bill. Passed (5-0)

4.c. Executive Session.

5.a. Request for clarification of 'Border Barony of Terra'.

We have a letter from the Aten Herald who is confused because Mr. Kirby D. Wise of Ehrenberg, AZ contends he has had permission from Diana Listmaker and the Board to found a Barony in the Colorado River Valley, said Barony to be part of the Kingdom of the West rather than the Kingdom of Atenveldt. The Clerke will write a letter to those concerned pointing out that the Board did authorize a Barony by that name in that area in 1971, but it made no statement about which Kingdom it would be long to. In addition, the Barony lapsed through inactivity. Therefore such a group, even if it desires the same name must reapply for recognition. Under the current rules it must start as a Shire. The group will be asked to submit such an application. In addition the Steward will be asked to recommend, as part of his action on the application, which Kingdom the group should belong to. The Board noted that it would like more information on the necessity of being a resident of a state in order to reserve sites and otherwise function as an agent of the Society, as opposed to living just across the state line. (Doubtless the Steward will consult with the Kingdoms involved while making border recommendations.)

5.b. Request for further clarification on women fighting.

It is requested that the Board further clarify the Society policy regarding women fighting in order that those organizing the Pensic War may know how to proceed. The Board is surprised that their statement last month was insufficient, but will try again. While it has been the general practice that women did not fight on the field, such has never been the policy of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. Unfortunately the Marshal of the Society was misinformed on this point. The Board directs that a letter be drafted for their signature explaining this to those concerned. (The members of the Board are also sending a letter to those concerned concerning Lady Trude, who is the case in point.)

5.c. Corpora revision.

It was suggested some months ago that the Board authorize a revision and compilation of the Corpora. The Chronicler's office is currently engaged in that project.

Matters not on the agenda.

Certain matters were brought up independent of the agenda.

A. On August 2, King Andrew of Riga of the West, did dissolve the Canton of Failte after consulting with the Seneschals of the West, Caid, Failte, and the Angels and diverse other interested parties. The Board would like him to write to the Steward and explain his actions.

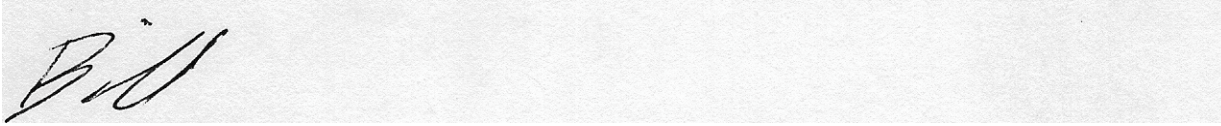
B. Motion that the Telephone be removed. Moved-Diana, Second-David. Passed (5-0)

C. Request that the Steward investigate the possibility of obtaining a telephone in the name of the Society. (The Society already possesses an answering machine.) Moved-David, Second-Bill. Passed (5-0)

6.a. Offer by Dr. L.R. Laing to give lectures under the auspices of the Society.

Dr. Laing is Lecturer in Medieval Archeology and Art. He will be visiting the U.S. next year and has offered to give a series or single lectures under the auspices of the Society. The offer was remanded to the Stock Clerk (who is an archeologist himself) and the Mistress of Arts.

7.a. The meeting was adjourned at 10:45.

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William the Lucky,
Deputy Clerk of the Board

Agenda (as amended)
Board of Directors
Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc.

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1. Preliminary Matters
 - a. Adoption of the Agenda.
 - b. Approval of the Minutes of the July meeting.
2. Routine new business
 - a. None.
3. Reports
 - a. Reports recieved prior to 29 July: None.
 - b. Reports recieved by 12 August: Exchecquer.
4. Old Business
 - a. Disclaimer statement for 'unofficial' newsletters. (Chronicler)
 - b. Possibility of Viscounts and Viscountesses. (Laurel)
 - c. Executive Session.
5. New Business
 - a. Request for clarification of 'Border Barony of Terra'. (Aten Herald)
 - b. Request for further clarification of women fighting. (Pensic War)
 - c. Corpora revision.
6. Informational
 - a. Offer by Dr. L. R. Laing to give lectures under the Society's auspices.
7. Adjournment
 - a. 10:45