

Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc.
Meeting Minutes
December 12, 1978

Board members present:

William Rolls, Chairman
John Trimble
Andrew Smith
Jean Macmillan

Staff members present:

Susan Scipione, Clerk
Hilda Powers, Chancellor of
the Exchequer
Deborah Bennett, Steward's
Legate
Cliveden Chew Haas, Clerk
of the Registry

Others present:

Dana Kramer
Allen Holub
Bjo Trimble
Henrik Olsgaard
Bill Colbert
Harry Bigglestone
James Earley
Virginia Earley
Terrell Coleman
Maureen Coleman

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- I. The agenda for the meeting was established. The following items were added: V.B, Waiver; V.C Letterhead; VI. A Allen; VI. B Bill VI. C Andy; VI D Cake.
- II. The November minutes were approved as presented.
- III. Reports
- A. The report of the Steward was received. She noted that the East Kingdom was in the process of selecting a new seneschal. The remainder of the Kingdoms were doing fine: Atenveldt and the West were going through a certain amount of reorganization, the West was going to release Rieslingshire to Caid at Twelfth Night. She also said that she had issued the instructions for the Doomsday Reports, and hopes that those will proceed with all due dispatch. She further recommended that some sort of decision be reached concerning the proposed new waiver, and brought up once again the issue of liability insurance.
- B. The report of the Chancellor of the Exchequer was presented. She informed the Board that the IRS had extended the tax exemption status of the group as a result of the recent audit they had made. She also presented the financial report for the month of November, and the tentative budget for the next year, The Board went over the budget with her.
- C. The report of the Committee of the Whole was presented. There were no motions from the committee, as it had been empowered to make decisions on the matters before it. It was therefore reported that the Board had authorized the printing of the proposed new Corpora, to be sent out to all members for comment. Also it was announced that the Board had selected

Phil McDown as the new Earl Marshall of the Society, and that he had accepted the position.

IV. Routine New Business

- A. New branches: the following new branches were approved contingent upon membership counts from the Registry: the Shire of St. Gwyndebourne (Fort Hood, Texas); the College of St. Bunstable (U. of Washington, Seattle); the Shire of the Shadowlands (Bryan, Texas; Texas A&M).
- B. Changes in status: the following change in status was approved contingent upon membership counts from the Registry: the Shire of Axemoor (New Orleans, LA) to be elevated to the status of a barony.

V. Old Business

- A. Report of the Commission: Clint and Henrik reported on their investigation and recommended to the Board that it would be inappropriate for it to take any action, and that the entire matter should be dropped. They further advised that it would be useful for the Board to establish, perhaps as an addition to the Corpora, a clearer definition of the proper comportment of a reigning monarch. The Board received the recommendations and thanked the commission for its efforts.
- B. The proposed new waiver was discussed, and the matter was referred to the Committee of the Whole meeting in January when Thin Robert of Lawrence would be present to answer questions.
- C. Letterhead: Bjo proposed the idea of an SCA-wide contest to design a letterhead for the organization. She outlined the general plan for the contest and the Board agreed that it was worthwhile and she certainly should pursue it.

VI. New Business

- A. Allen: he brought up questions concerning the scope of authority of medics in the SCA, and requested that the Board take action to authorize the office of medic, and to define their authority, especially in regards to fighters injured in the lists. The Board agreed to take this under consideration and referred it to the January Committee of the Whole meeting so the Thin Robert could comment upon the matter.
- B. Bill Colbert: he reported on the state of things in the East Kingdom, noting that he was resigning his post as seneschal at Twelfth Night. He had also wished to present some new branches and changes in status to the Board for approval; these were approved pending confirmation by the Steward and Registry. He inquired as to the identity of the legal agents

for the various states in the East Kingdom and was informed that the state of the files was such that nobody really knew, and that he would be informed as soon as the information could be made available.

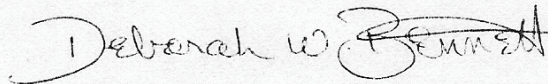
- C. Andy: he read to the Board his letter of resignation; the Board moved to accept it with deep regrets, and heartfelt thanks for his efforts on behalf of the SCA during his tenure.
- D. Cake: the meeting was temporarily adjourned to consume the farewell cake that had been brought for the occasion. It was pronounced delicious.

VII. Communications: there were no communications

VIII. Executive session

The executive session was convened when Dave called in from Houston, for the purpose of beginning deliberations concerning Andy's successor. No decision was reached, partly because the phone bill would have gotten out of hand, and Dave was standing in a phone booth outside and it was Very Cold.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 P.M.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Deborah W. Bennett". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

Deborah W. Bennett
Clerk to the Board of Directors