

Privy Council Meeting: 2 July 2022 at War of the Trillium

Attendance: TRM Roak and Hyrokkin, TRH Kaylah and Trumbrand, Baldric, Laura, Marina, Augusta, Petra, Xristina, Nika, Siglinde

Agenda:

1. Welcome from the Crown – people are awesome. Thank you!!!
2. Seneschal Update:
 - a. Welcome to the first in person Privy council meeting since 2020.
 - b. Acknowledgement of the work that the Kingdom Exchequer has been doing; dealing with the CRA issue, working on e-transfers; USD bank account, getting the event stewards handbook and event forms updated. Petra is awesome!! (All should bow down to Petra (new bid forms, updated event steward handbook, sorting out banking issues with TD, and now dealing with the CRA issue).
3. Groups in trouble
 - a. Apathy/low energy: get them to contact Brand because he can help them reconnect. If you know a group, let's help them with some guidance.
 - b. If the group is looking at closing or looking to go dormant; contact KSen.
 - c. Event attendance good but less than usual, COVID has hit hard.
 - d. COVID – stable right now. May change in winter; event sites do not often have good HVAC. New variant in Ptbr and Ktown,
 - e. Some complaints about the COVIDSafe, but overall there has been more support for the restrictions rather than reducing them.
 - f. KSens goal is to keep the most amount of people following the rules, while having people safe.
4. Discussion about COVIDSafe; KSen asked for thoughts on the following two options:
 - i. Keep in current restrictions in place?
 - ii. Drop PoV requirements while keeping masking indoors when not fighting or eating?
 - b. Hyrokkin – would rather see everyone vaxed then masked. Keeping away from peeps not vaxed, and think un-vaxed people will be a hindrance.
 - c. Laura and Kaylah agrees.
 - d. Baldric – less incubation in people who are vaxed, less viralant?
 - e. Xristina – winter/poor air circulation/poor HVAC at sites. Would rather keep both. Pushback is only like 5 people over the time unlike other kingdoms.
 - f. Nika – full mask policies in NYC.
 - g. Siglinde – how to define “vaccinated” –
 - i. Xristina – 2 shots per CS policy and gvmt at this time. Wanted to make sure all on same page.
 - h. Marina – wants to keep both. Has seen the benefit.
 - i. Roak – it might come up as a moot discussion, be prepared.
 - j. X – seneschals all know to send people to her.
 - k. KSen: Plan to keep both. TRM, TRH support 100%

5. Successor search – in the next tidings. End of Aug for applicants and hopefully have someone
6. State of the Kingdom
 - i. Losing groups/low activity
 - ii. Trino doing well with the extra supports – new people active and group is striving. “baronial” off the table and working on rebuilding the group. Came out to Niagara ComicCon.
 - iii. Comic cons back; multiple people joined post Niagara Comic Con; Kingdom Chatelaine is on it. – a number of people from NCC contacting Brand and joining kingdom FB. QR Code so helpful.
7. Exchequer Update: - needs successor – Dec 31 – need one by then, but will help them w/ the Q4, would like to extend a bit. Vote – all in favour
 - a. CRA – ongoing issues; working with SCA Corporate and lawyers
 - b. Other – storage locker went up \$10. – vote – all in favour to up the budget.
 - c. – need a quartermaster for Pennsic –
 - i. TRM – skully has volunteered to help out with populace encampment and only 5 peeps pre-regged. They shouldn’t set up the whole of the camp stuff. Need more information for Skully and working out the details. Would like to see if there is someone to help with.
 - ii. Quartermaster help – possibly Laurenz. Need a list of what’s in the storage etc. Might need to cull the trailer. Trainer gets taken down to the Kingdom camp. Baldric is willing to move all the things. Dagmar is battlefield coordinator, can work with her.
 - d. Children at events. Most kingdoms 17 and under are free, unless event cap (eg like government mandated caps) and can be charged only 50% of the full total. Kids still need an adult responsible for them. Trying to grow the SCA. Helping families come out. Vote – all in favour.
 - e. Add to Kingdom financial policies – actually says TRM and TRH – can it be extended to visiting Royals. Vote – all in favour – TRM/TRH abstained.
 - f. Background checks fund – allows you to put money in the pot? Does it need a cap? Vote – all in favour.
 - g. CRA – got a letter from TD Bank wanted a business number or CRA may fine us. Society Exchequer, Treasurer. Dropped on John (BOD) at last minute but realized that only BC has a business number. Waiting on TD to get back to us, can we use the same number for all the Canadian groups. Can we proactively show we don’t earn enough money, we can have non-profit status so that we don’t get fined. BOD Pres wants to be proactive on this. If we can look at it as individual branch, will stay way under. Waiting for the bank to get back to us. Need groups to report and very important because its how we prove it. Need A&S reports because that’s how we get the non-profit status. Have been able to stay as part of the main SCA Inc.
8. Chronicler Update: - has been trying to find a new Chronicler for September. No luck. Possible to extend 1 year. Willing to do it. Vote – all in favour.
 - a. Successor search; no response to the call.
 - b. Extension request

9. Officer updates:

- a. Earl Marshal – Youth Combat rules for review. Need to fix one more thing, but otherwise good. Vote – all in favour
- b. Clerk Register – please feel free to post on the website. Will put up your letters if you want.
- c. Trillium Herald – successor – will be putting it in the fall. Does think there will be applicants. People interested. Submissions deputy will be quicker transition. Heralds do herald things. Submissions payments all going good.
- d. MOAS – took over May 1. Need warrant signed.

Meeting closed.