



Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 16 August 2017	Minutes Recorded by: Odriana vander Brugghe
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Attendance

Officer	Name	Present	Proxied	Report	Notes
Baron	Brandubh (Ben Cogan)	X			
Baroness	Hilderun (Krista Cogan)	X			
Seneschal	Odriana (Jennifer Strobel)	X		X	
Herald	Kieran (Ray Strobel)	X		X	
Knight Marshal	Isenwulf (Steve Lampo)		X	X	Proxy=Odriana
Minister of Arts & Sciences	Elß (Rocky Hayeslip)				
Chronicler	Constance (Sunshine MacIntyre)	X		X	
Exchequer	Hara (Sharon Booth)		X	X	Proxy=Ishiyama
Mistress of Lists	Anna (Lynn Yocum)		X		Proxy=Odriana
Chatelaine	Libby (Maris Parker)	X		X	
Webminister	Kameshima (Trevor Schadt)		X	X	Proxy=Odriana
Steltonwald Seneschal	Aidan (Michael Robson)				
Cour d'Or Seneschal	*dormant*				

* Place an "X" in the column if present, proxied or report sent. Note proxy in notes column.

Other Gentles Attending in Person	Other Gentles Attending Remotely
Arianna, Pavel, Katherine, Yoshi, Arthes, Alastar, Zianna, Rivka, Alethea, Ishiyama, Nicola.	

Agenda

1. Open Meeting

2. Approve Minutes

The previous minutes were approved.

3. Officer Reports

Baron & Baroness

Thank you to everyone and all of the help at Pennsic. Everyone that helped us at Opening Ceremonies, Gate Guarding, and recognitions galore. And in the Known World Baronial Thrown Weapons Tournament, Kuma took first place. Fox took First Place in the KW Baronial Youth Tourney. Jorundr competed on behalf of the barony but did not win. We did have seven of 20 champions from the Barony. Our Barony was well represented on the TW field and Archery Field. Half of the Youth Martials at Pennsic was from the BMDL.

We want to thank everyone that helped with the Baronial Encampment, particularly Arianna who was our land agent and Broom who was our Reeve. Our cooks, Katera and Elianora.

Much good happened on the HW field thanks to the captains Kieran and S. Also, we had good representation on the Fencing field.

We also had excellent representation at the A&S Display.

20% of the Pennsic Select Choir was from the BMDL. It's a Known World thing.



BMDL was incredible at Pennsic and we have made our worth known to the Known World.

Looking to the future, a court at Agincourt will be happening. Finalizing the docket by Friday. There will be several events clustered close together in the Barony.

Encouraging folks to come out to Seven Pearls to see our Barony compete on 9 September. Lots good happening and lots more good to come.

From the coordinator of BMDL Dinner – A potluck did not work this year and it is recommended that we no longer do it as a potluck dinner. It should not be thought of as a feast. It needs to be thought of as heavy h’or d’oevres rather than dinner. Also, NOT ON MONDAY!

Seneschal

Their Excellencies covered much of what I wanted to say.

Everyone who took some time out of their vacation to help make Pennsic happen, thank you.

I also wanted to praise THL Luceta di Cosimo who baked a dozen cookies for each person in the BMDL who volunteered to teach a class at Pennsic. This was an awesome way to recognize (and encourage) teaching at Pennsic. Thank you, Luceta!

The BMDL continues to seek new MoL trainees to be sure that we have a reasonable pool of people to draw from. As some of you may be aware, in the BMDL most tournaments are MoL’d by either Aemelia Soteria or Anna Eisenkopf. This is not because they are awesome and amazing (which they are) but because there is a lack of options. This can mean that one of them could be running the list for two separate tournaments at the same time (this very thing happened last year at the 7 Pearls event). Please contact Anna if you are interested in learning more about being an MoL and how you, too, can hang out on the listfield, keep score, and spend time with some pretty awesome people.

Exchequer

Knight Marshal

1. The loaner shield that we got with Baronial funds has all the edging attached and holes drilled for straps. I'll have it strapped and ready to be used left or right handed for this Sunday's practice.

2. I haven't had anyone express interest yet regarding the Knight Marshal office. I'll send out another reminder soon now that people are no longer focused on getting ready for Pennsic.

Report from the Youth Marshal – I have a candidate that is interested in taking the office and she is probably less than a month away from being warranted, etc. Jasmine is a Tuchux and has some concerns about acceptance. She’s reliable and very enthusiastic.

All officers present expressed that Jasmine would be welcomed without reservation.



Minister of Arts & Sciences	<p>Mostly I would like to focus on the A&S Meetings which have been proceeding very well. We have meetings scheduled for the rest of August and have had 17-18 people who have lead, taught, instructed classes. Looking forward to future contributions and classes. Have enough names to have classes through the middle of October. Needs more volunteers to teach so that there are classes through the end of the year.</p> <p>The choir is now the biggest that it has been in 20 years. Currently 23 members and they are being asked to perform at many events. Conducting classes are drawing 6-10 people a month.</p>
Herald	<p>The heraldic on-line office hours will resume on Monday August 21st. Other than forms needing to be filled out and submitted, nothing else going on. Will be considering opportunities to publish more heraldic information and other ways to teach more in the Barony.</p> <p>The next Aethelmearc artisans exchange is heraldry based.</p> <p>So the Order of Copernicus will hopefully soon have its own badge and will be submitted the following – On a demi-sun Or, a capital C, and adjoined to and within a black annulet. It is fieldless. This is a design that will allow flexibility in materials and display.</p>
Chronicler	<p>I put out on social media a call for letters for the newsletter. All articles and officer's reports by next Tuesday [date]. Publication by next Wednesday [date].</p>
Chatelaine	<p>Last 2 months, spoken with 7 newcomers. Three of those people were from Pennsic.</p> <p>Lucetta and Zoe are doing another Children's Museum Demo on 9 September.</p> <p>Elþ passed out cards to people to come join us on Sunday at the Martial Practice site. Elþ will not be at practice, but wanted to let us know that they are coming. In Sunderoak, they are doing remote Chatelaine meetings where they do a phone call where everyone joins in where a topic of interest to newcomers is presented.</p>
Mistress of Lists	<p>The MoL was unable to attend and had nothing local to report as Pennsic dominated most of her time in July/August.</p>
Webminister	<p>Unto the attendees of the August Business meeting, greetings from Kameshima. My apologies for missing the meeting, but the Baronial Scriptorium has been specifically requested to create invitations to the upcoming 20th Anniversary event for the Landed Barons and Baronesses of the Kingdom, and tonight is the Scriptorium where we will be working on them.</p> <p>The new website, to my great disappointment, did not go live before Pennsic. It is my intention to do so before the end of this month, barring objection from the Kingdom Webminister. As per my announcement to the Debatable Blog, any content which I do not have when the site goes live will be omitted and the links hidden until I receive said content.</p> <p>The email block on the website has been removed, and I have confirmation that emails can be successfully sent from our WordPress instance. I am</p>



waiting on one final confirmation that new Blog entries will successfully be echoed to the mailing list before announcing that functionality publicly.

As always, if there is information that people feel should be posted to the front page of the site, but feel not appropriate to post to the Blog, please let me know and we will see what we can do to publicize that information.

Steltonwald Seneschal

Cour d’Or Seneschal Dormant

4. Other Business

Policy Change (post-publication)

A change from: "II. Officers

- A. The Officers of the Barony-Marche of the Debatable Lands are those required by Kingdom Law, the office of the Baron/ess, the Seneschals of the Barony's nondormant subsidiary groups, and the Webminister. These officers, excluding the office of the Baron/ess, constitute the financial committee of the Barony for the purpose of setting financial policy and approving financial activities. No present or proxied individual may have more than one vote on the financial committee."

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This change would give the Baron/ess a single vote on the Financial Committee. This has historical precedence in our Barony and has been changed back and forth a couple of times.

Currently, there are 11 people on the Financial Committee, if the B&B are given a vote, there will be 12. Currently there are 5 people required for quorum, this would change to 6 people for quorum.

This change was approved and the BMDL Policy document will be updated to reflect this.

5. Exchequer – Letters of Intent

Two letters received

Letters from Lady Arthes and Lady Zianna were received. Lady Arthes is the new exchequer for the BMDL.

6. Close Meeting

Meeting was closed.