Politarchopolis Baronial Meeting – 21 December 2014

Attendance: Anne, Monique, Francesca, Crispin, Gabriel, Ulric, Iseldis, Fionqhuiune, Antonia, Eberhard

Apologies: Blethyn, Rosalind

The meeting opened at 1.10pm

1. Welcome/Apologies

Anne welcomed everyone to the meeting and expressed thanks for people's flexibility.

2. Acceptance of the minutes

Minutes were accepted

3. Update of Action Items

DATE	Action Required	Update
10/8/2014	Anne to put together hall closure	List drafted by Gabriel, being
	checklist	laminated for the hall.
8/6/2014	Eberhard to publish BSB details for the	Due to web security, available
	Politarchopolis account	from the reeve on request

4. Seneschal's Update

Anne opened the meeting, thanking everyone for attendance and work throughout the year.

Anne proposed the formation of a Finance Committee for Polit with membership to comprise the Seneschal, the Reeve, a bank account signatory (currently the Baroness) and a minimum of one member of the populace. The purpose of the Committee is to enable the Barony to make financial decisions in between Council meetings with the Committee's decisions tabled at the following Council meeting. Anne asked for volunteers to join the committee, noting her recent email to the list and Facebook group post requesting the same. Mistress Francesca Cellini nominated to join and was accepted by the Council.

DECISION: Finance Committee established by the Barony of Politarchopolis, decisions made by the Committee to be tabled at each meeting for record. A quorum of the Committee requires three members.

Anne reminded the populace that as required by Lochac procedure (and primarily to make sure we have a good succession plan for the Barony), she was looking for a Deputy Seneschal. Applications are open now. The Scouts have agreed to extend our current hall usage arrangements while the new contract is being negotiated. This extension is until the end of January 2015.

She thanked the Barony and in particular, Baronial Officers and the Baron & Baroness for their work throughout the year. It has been a big year for Politarchopolis and could not have been the success it was without the commitment and efforts of our people.

5. BARON & BARONESS

Throughout the year, their Excellencies have been selling stickers with the Baronial arms on them. The proceeds of those sales was tabled and provided to the Reeve. Some stickers are still available, contact the Baron and Baroness if you are interested.

Unfortunately, no one was able to assist with Horrible Histories promotion so the Barony was unable to assist the Canberra Theatre.

Please ensure that you assist with extra cleaning up today as we are winding up for the year.

Their Excellencies wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas. They also thanked the Barony for all its efforts in 2014. 2015 is going to be an exciting year so they encouraged people to have a good break over Christmas.

6. REEVE

It is end of financial year so things are very busy particularly in preparation for the audit by ASIC. Eberhard thanked all the stewards and officers for their assistance in getting the Barony ready. Constabulary forms are still required. Anyone who has stewarded an event in 2014 who has not yet provided forms to the Constable and Reeve is asked to do so as a priority.

ACTIONS: Stewards to ensure constabulary forms are provided to the Reeve as soon as possible.

7. CHIRUGEON

No reports of injuries received during the period

8. ARCHERY

Archery will be continuing throughout the summer break. Please check the Politarchopolis Archery group on Facebook or contact Ulric if you were unsure. 13 Archers shooting at practice this morning.

9. HERALD

Fields of Gold was a big and intense experience and all the heralds did a great job! Two boxes of material have been received. Yay for two boxes. Consulting heralds continue to

great work throughout the Barony. Antonia would like to recognise Amelot in particular for her continuing excellent work.

10. FOOD SAFETY SUPERVISOR

Kitchens at Fields of Gold were checked regularly with food safety standards met or exceeded during all checks.

11. HOSPITALLER

Politarchopolis has been seeing an increase of spectators at events in particular Fields of Gold had approximately 70 spectators attending. A number of people also attended for the first time and Gabriel will be looking to ensure he remains in contact with them. Politarchopolis's photo cards will be shared with the Lochac Hospitaller who has expressed interest. Currently planning new ideas for 2015.

12. RAPIER

Yay Fencing! Consistent and levels of activity are being seen which is great. A new youth fencer has just been authorised under the pilot programme. All is well

13. MARSHAL

No issues to report. Anne is keen to see Politarchopolis develop its youth combat programme by the end of 2015.

14. SCRIBES

As Ottilia is moving to Aneala she is looking for a new Warden for the Barony. Mistress Tyg will look to foster the office while a new Warden is found.

15. COLLEGE OF ST ANDRONICUS

All is well, the collegia went well with reasonable attendance. Thanks to all who taught or attended in particular, those who travelled.

16. GENERAL BUSINESS

Anne advised that she would be on holidays between 23 December 2014 and 15 January 2015. As no applications had been received for the Deputy Seneschalate role the Office of the Seneschal would resume for normal duties on the 15th. Please ensure that any decisions required during that time are with Anne prior to the 23rd.

Anne declared the Baronial Meeting closed and opened the Town Hall meeting.

The next Baronial meeting will occur in February 2015.