Southmarch business meeting 5/17/23 -

- I. Call to Order: 6:30 p.m.
- II. Approval of minutes from previous meeting
 - a. m/s/c Elizabeth, Elspeth, approved
- III. Reports
 - a. Seneschal's Report
 - i. Results of May Revel
 - 1. 47 members, 7 non-members, 3 comps
 - 2. Money was deposited with Kingdom. Money is being tracked by Summits and will be settled.
 - 3. Out of pocket \$150 deposit
 - 4. We cleared our expenses.
 - 5. Put a thank you for Alex for May Revel. He donated all the meat.
 - 6. Bids for Frostbite are open. Need to be in by July for August Crier (Kingdom newsletter)
 - b. Exchequer-Louis
 - i. Everything has passed requirements for verification. Waiting on Louise DuCray (SCA, VP for Corporate Operations) signature for business registry.
 - ii. Sven asked Tryggr if he can nose around and find out what the hold up is?
 - iii. Tryggr said that might be above his pay grade.
 - c. A&S Elizabeth
 - i. 7 people last Monday, learned to warp card looms.
 - ii. Did turn in check for Investiture.
 - d. Marshall Alaryn
 - i. 6-10 were fighters have shown up.
 - ii. Using both fairgrounds and Moore Park
 - e. Archery Donna
 - i. 2 sessions. More people the first day.
 - ii. Only issue we're having in setting up bales. It's a lot to do for just the tow of us. May switch to foam instead of bales.
 - iii. Going to see if we can bring our own mowers because KCC staff isn't mowing frequently enough. We're losing arrows left and right.
 - iv. We have three targets in use, with 9 targets in reserve.
 - v. KCC wants us to fill out a paper for how many people are showing up.
 - f. Chatelaine Brigitte
 - i. Brice volunteered for Deputy
 - g. Social Media Trinity
 - i. No report
 - h. Webminister Pol
 - i. We need photos for the website. It's boring. Please send in photos of events with Southmarch people.
 - ii. Pol passed out release forms for signatures and use of photos on website as they are sent in.
- IV. 5th Wednesday Ailin

- a. 5th Wednesday would be a practice event held at the fairgrounds on those nights that fall on the fifth Wednesday of a month. That happens 5-6 times a year. The intention is to gather in garb and have activities common to events. This would give Shire members the opportunity to try out new skills and practice them before heading off to participate at the big events. This would include mini-tournaments, field heraldry, A&S displays, dance, music, food and anything else people want to include.
- b. 5th Wednesdays would give new fighters experience with tournament formats and marshals and field heralds the opportunity to practice in a tournament environment. Fighters, consorts and heralds will get to practice invocations to the gathered audience. Artists will have the opportunity to display their latest projects, foodies can show off new period recipes, interested folks can learn to dance, musicians can have an audience to perform to.
- c. These practice events would also be a wonderful (and accessible) opportunity to introduce new folks to what the SCA is all about.
- d. A suggested donation of \$5.00 a person at the door would be asked for but not required for 5th Wednesdays to help offset the cost of the weekly use of the fairgrounds for the regular Wednesday night fighter practice and gathers.
- e. Next 5th Wednesday is May 31 at Fairgrounds. Ekat coordinating
- V. Arts and Sciences entries from May Revel
- VI. New Business
 - a. Ideas for 2024 Tain Bo (Thoughts/Ideas)
 - b. Shire Animal
 - i. Ekat shared the story of the shire animal. In the third reign of what would become the Summits, Ambrose was prince. A friend of Ambrose, king of the West, came to Southmarch for Ambrose's elevation. He got farm animals to distribute. Southmarch got pigs. Ekat told story of pigs being given out.
 - ii. Discussion of what kind of animal for shire.
 - c. Frostbite
 - i. Ekat has bid for Frostbite, 11/10-12, normal weekend for Frostbite. Served feast, heavy, rapier, bardic, A&S
 - ii. Kevan and Shelby will be event stewards. Very discretely wet. Boy Scout camp at McLaughlin (heated cabins, showers; Hwy 140 West), site fee \$40/person (six meals). 40 adults through the gate might make us break even. Budget for \$50 site tokens, \$600 for food, \$920/site use.
 - iii. Sven asked if there will be a price for day trippers?
 - iv. Ailin said this is an initial bid. We have two months to finalize it.
- VII. Future Meetings Schedule
 - a. Next two months business meetings
 - i. June 21, 2023
 - ii. July 19, 2023
- VIII. Adjournment –