

# Shire of Blak Rose

## Board Meeting Minutes

### Officers

#### *Seneschal*

**Maraha Kahanikar**

Deputy: Vacant

#### **Exchequer**

**Freydis Illska**

Deputy: Vacant

#### **Acting Herald**

**Eleazar ha-Levi**

Herald: Samira al Mansur

#### **Chronicler**

**Ragnall Cennétig**

Deputy: Tuathflaith ingen huí Chleirigh,

#### **Minister of A & S**

**Tirza bithe Reaboughes**

Deputy: Vacant

#### **Knight Marshal**

**Seán Dubh**

Deputy: Vacant

#### **Chatelaine**

**Freydis Illska**

Deputy: Orn Shieldbreaker

**December 12, 2021**

### Location:

Online Conference Call via Google Meets

Submitted by the Chronicler:

Ragnall Cennétig

### Upcoming Events

Details can be found at Blak Rose and EK Calendars

(Upcoming practices and events will be added to the Calendar)

### Functionaries

#### **Web Minister**

**Vacant**

Deputy: Tuathflaith

#### **Chamberlain**

**Vacant**

#### **Librarian**

**Vacant**

### Current Committees

#### *Financial Committee*

Chair: Exchequer

Seneschal, Deputy Exchequer



### **Call To Order**

Six Blak Rose members were present, the Seneschal called the meeting to order at 1:45 PM.

### **Roll Call and Assignment of Proxies**

Proxies not assigned, as Bylaws are still in rewrite. All bylaw mentions marked with "\*" are currently suspended per kingdom. Roll call was taken via sign-in sheet and collected by the Chronicler. In attendance were:

#### **Officers:**

Shawn Jones, Seneschal  
(Maraha Kahanikar)

Cooper Kennedy, Chronicler  
(Ragnall Cennétig)

Miranda Renee, Chatelaine/Exchequer  
(Freydis Illska)

Lew Wolkoff, Deputy Herald  
(Eleazar ha-Levi)

Marcia Anchors-Jones, Minister of A&S  
(Tirza bithe Reaboughes)

#### **Resident SCA Members of Voting Age (Mundane Name)**

Bak Nabiya (Tiffany Andes)

#### **Populace:**

\*According to the current By-Laws of the Shire, a quorum is defined as a minimum of three (3) officers or their deputies plus any other two (2) resident SCA members of voting age. As there were five officers and one additional member of the Blak Rose populace present which made a total of six resident SCA members of voting age in attendance, a quorum was present.

### **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Minutes approved for July, August, October and November.

**Seneschal's Report** - Maraha Kahanikar

Several persons submitted letters of intent to the Seneschal/Chronicler for consideration at the January business meeting election. The following members submitted letters:

**Bak Nabiya** for Chatelaine,

**Ragnall Cennétig** for Exchequer and Thrown Weapons Marshal,

**Eleazar ha-Levi** for Herald and Minister of A&S,

**Freydis Illska** for Seneschal.

Letters listed below in Old Business. Motion to move forward with letters of intent as received put forth by Ragnall and seconded by Eleazar, motion passed.

**Other Officers' Reports****Exchequer - Tuathflaith ingen huí Chleirigh**

No report.

**Herald - Eleazar Ha-Levi**

Report sent in and attached at the end of this document. As of morning of this meeting no comments have been registered under Ragnall's name submission, nor under Freydis' device submission. Eleazar is planning to attend the Known World Heraldic which is upcoming.

**Chronicler - Ragnall Cennetig**

Backlog of meeting minutes posted and reviewed. Nothing new to report.

**Webminister - Tuathflaith ingen huí Chleirigh**

No report.

**Minister of A&S - Tirza bithe Reaboughes**

Quarterly report submitted on December 1st as required.

**Knight Marshal - Sean Dubh**

No report.

**Chatelaine - Freydis Illska**

Quarterly report submitted on December 1st as required. Looking to turn over Facebook credentials after elections.

**Marshal Activities Reports****Archery Marshal Report - Tuathflaith**

SCA archery practices are not currently being held.

**Thrown Weapons Marshal: Ragnall**

Looking for adequate sites for hosting TW practices. Clarified TW marshal responsibilities to EK.

**Committee Reports****Bylaws Committee**

No Report.

## **Old Business**

### **Contact List**

A new contact list is in the works, as the old one needs to be updated. If you would like to be added to the list please email your **publishable**, preferred contact information to [chronicler@blakrose.eastkingdom.org](mailto:chronicler@blakrose.eastkingdom.org).

### **Gold Key Retrieval**

Having trouble with reaching our contact in order to finalize the transfer of the gold key equipment. Looking towards the spring for a time to go through the items collected, in order to organize, and clean up shire property.

### **New Term Elections**

Per the motion made in the November meeting, letters of intent were due BEFORE the Dec. 12 Business Meeting in order to have an election at the January 2022 meeting. The following letters have been received and accepted at the December business meeting.

### **Office: Seneschal - Freydis in Illa (Freydis Illska)**

To Whom It May Concern:

I, Freydis in Illa (Freydis Illska) of the Shire Blak Rose, would like to announce my intention to run for Seneschal in our shire.

I have had the privilege to serve our beloved shire as chatelaine for the last two years, and interesting years they have been. The world as we know it has changed and our society has not been immune. It has certainly taken a toll on us locally too: we had to adapt to online spaces, had to learn to navigate new safety guidelines, and we lost a special part of our family. I want to let all of you know that I am dedicated, I care about our community, and want to do what I can to help all of us get through this difficult time of change.

As your Chatelaine, I dedicated my free time to help our shire grow in any way that I could. I improved our social media presence with news sharing, plus memes, articles and relevant videos. I created our YouTube channel, which is always looking for new content. I started online gatherings for members and newcomers via Zoom. I hope I can continue to find new ways to improve our shire in the future with input from all of you wonderful people.

I love the SCA and I care deeply for our people. If I am elected, I will commit to attend and run each of our monthly meetings. I check email and Facebook frequently so I will be readily accessible to all. I promise to be thoughtful, considerate, and fair to everyone I interact with. I will do my very best to attend all shire events and demos to serve as an ambassador for the SCA and for our shire to everyone I meet.

Thank you so much for your time and consideration. I look forward to serving you.

-Freydis Illska

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**Office(s): Shire Herald, and/or Minister/Deputy of A&S - Eleazar ha Levi**

Hi.

Once again, I'm interested in the post of herald for the Shire. I'm also interested in Minister of A&S, or deputy A&S, if someone else takes the Minister's job.

I'm a 40+ year SCAdian with membership through to 2023. I've been Shire herald or deputy herald for about 25 years now, and I'm still crazy enough to want the job. A deputy would be welcome, and I'm willing to train.

I'm a member of the Order of the Maunche, so I know a bit about A&S. Prior to Covid, I organized monthly A&S Sundays, and I'd like to see something like that start up again, maybe even MORE often: classes, and group projects, and just sit and schmooze while each person works on their own stuff.

See you at the meeting.  
Eleazar

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**Office: Shire Chatelaine - Bak Nabiya**

To the Populace of Blak Rose:

I, Bak Nabiya of the Shire Blak Rose, would like to announce my intention to run for Chatelaine for the Shire of Blak Rose.

Our shire has done an amazing job of navigating uncertain times. As someone who joined at the beginning of the pandemic, I know the difficulties of jumping into the society feet first in the age of zoom meet-ups, virtual classes, and limited in person interaction with the people of the shire. I know I can help guide others into finding their niche in our society the same way that the Blak Rose Community has helped me find mine. In my mundane life, I actively help my company's social committee engage with our employees and show appreciation through various events, and of course the sharing of food. As Chatelaine, I would bring the same enthusiasm to growing our shire and engaging our members!

Thank you for your time and consideration.  
I hope to serve this position well.

Yours in Service,  
Bak Nabiya

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### **Office(s): Exchequer, Chronicler, and/or Thrown Weapons Marshal - Ragnall Cennétig**

Good day populace of Blak Rose

I, Ragnall Cennetig, am submitting my name for consideration for the post of Exchequer in the Shire of Blak Rose of the East Kingdom.

Over the course of the last 2 years while serving as shire Chronicler, I have seen a number of reluctant but willing members take up the mantle of Exchequer, and I applaud their commitment and hard work! In the interest of seeing our shire profit and continue to grow I would like to volunteer my time and efforts in the office of Exchequer and take up the responsibilities listed there-in.

I would also be interested in taking on the role of shire Thrown Weapons Marshal, stepping into the position to replace our dearly lost Alana O'Keeve, as they traveled onwards this last year. Since completing my marshalship in September to serve our community during Shire Wars IX, I have submitted our bi-annual marshal report and continue to look for a venue that could serve as a Thrown Weapons, and possibly an Archery range.

In addition to the officer and marshal positions above, I am also willing to keep the responsibilities of Chronicler, those of taking and preparing the minutes for Blak Rose business meetings and seeing that they are dispersed, in a [more] timely fashion.

All in all, I look forward to any way in which I can be of service to the populace and the other officers in the coming months and years. I hope to be a burden-reliever, and assistant to our new officers, with the shared desire to see the continual betterment of our shire, and our exciting game as a whole.

Thank you for the memories and the opportunity to serve,  
Ragnall Cennetig

### **New Business**

**No new business discussed**

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 2:15 PM. The next meeting date is posted on the Blak Rose Website Calendar with a link for the digital meeting group.

**Blak Rose Business Meeting**  
**Exchequer Report – Tracey L. Hanwell**  
**September 2021**

**Activity this month**

- I have completed the Shire Wars reporting, as far as I am concerned. Any outstanding controversies are no longer my concern. All expenses that were reported have been reimbursed and the seven other participating shires have been sent their surplus share, save for Owlsherst. I do not have the address for the Owlsherst exchequer at the time of this writing.
- This is my final Exchequer report.
- I resign as the Exchequer of the Shire of Blak Rose, Society for Creative Anachronism. I offer to become the Deputy Exchequer to my successor if so desired and to give help and training as needed.

**Statement of Financial Position**

**Current Financial Assets**

Checking balance on October statement   \$7,341.49

Checks not deposited as of statement   250.00

Other assets, including cash on hand   0.00

**Total Financial Assets   \$7,591.49**

**Current Financial Liabilities:**

Payments issued but not cleared   \$4,103.39

Payments due but not issued   0.00

**Total Financial Liabilities   \$4,103.39**

**Net financial assets:   \$3,488.10**

**Blak Rose Business Meeting  
Deputy Herald's Report – Eleazar ha-Levi  
December 12, 2021**

**Monthly Report**

**East Kingdom Letter of Decision (LoD) dated November 2021**

**East Kingdom External Letter of Intent (XLoI) dated 11-23-21**

- **Freydis in illa -New Device**

*Per bend sinister vert and sable, on a cinquefoil argent a spider sable.*

- **Ragnall Ua Cennétig -New Name**

*Ragnall* is the Middle Gaelic form of a male name found in "Index of Names in Irish Annals" by Mari ingen Briain meic Donnchada

<http://medievalscotland.org/kmo/AnnalsIndex/Masculine/Ragnall.shtml> with relevant Annals dates of 1161 and 1256.

*Ua* is the Middle Gaelic (pre-1200) marker for a masculine Clan Affiliation Bynome. See "Quick

and Easy Gaelic Names," by Sharon Krossa

<http://medievalscotland.org/scotnames/quickgaelicbyname/#clanaffiliationbyname> and

<http://medievalscotland.org/scotnames/quickgaelicbyname/#spelling>

*Cennétig* is both the nominative and genitive Middle Gaelic form of a male name found in Mari's

"Index" <http://medievalscotland.org/kmo/AnnalsIndex/Masculine/Cennetig.shtml> with a relevant

Annals date of 1159.

Both submissions were forwarded to the Laurel Queen of Arms for review and appear in the November 23 External Letter of Intent for the two-month review/comment period. As of 3:00 AM on Sunday, December 12, there were no comments on either submission.

**Blak Rose Business Meeting**  
**Deputy Herald's Report – Eleazar ha-Levi**  
**December 12, 2021 cont.**

**My Own Activities**

- I continue to be available for consultation on names or armory and may be contacted by e-mail at [eleazer\\_halevi@yahoo.com](mailto:eleazer_halevi@yahoo.com) or at [herald@blakrose.eastkingdom.org](mailto:herald@blakrose.eastkingdom.org).
- I'm also available if anybody would like to start learning about heraldry, either just to know more or to be trained as a herald.
- I registered to attend the online Known World Heraldic and Scribal Symposium (January 14-16, 2022.)
- I sent letter of intent to Shire Seneschal and Chronicler regarding serving another term as Shire Herald.

**Laurel Activities; Letter of Acceptance and Returns (LoAR) December 10, 2021**

- The Laurel Queen of Arms clarified what is needed in the Contact Information Section at the top of the Submissions Forms. The forms are now being revised and simplified. The information required is, as follows:
  - The name listed in the "Legal Name" field need not be an actual legal name; what we require is a non-SCA mundane name by which the submitter is well known enough to find them. No name will be registered to a submitter if it is identical to a name used by the submitter for purposes of identification outside of a Society context.
  - At least one of: e-mail address, home address, or phone number. This is to help contact the submitter should the need arise. The submitter's branch name serves as an additional point of contact, but it is not required.
  - Under no circumstances should the fields labeled "Gender of Submitter" or "Date of Birth" be filled out.
  - In the case of submissions made by/for minors, please list the minor's name, but the remainder of the contact information may be a parent or guardian.
  - All of this information is considered confidential and is seen by very few people.