

**Seashire Althing on November 19 ,2022**  
Bedford Public Library and by Zoom

Attendees in person: Esperanza, Eleanor, Tyffayne. Sebastian, Lachlan, Janet, Sarra, Aveline  
Attendees virtually: Skaukatt, James, Mawdlyn, Angela, Gaston, Katherine  
Regrets: Oliver, Tessa

Meeting was called to order by Esperanza at 11:10

Sarra introduced the Dormancy Committee – Oliver (web minister), Esperanza and Tyffayne (co-chairs), Sebastian (Governance), Janet (Finances), and Sarra (secretary/spokesperson). Also Gaston (Curia).

**Reviewed Seashire Ruantallan Agreement.** Key points include:

- Limit Baronial events to the 3 required and any championships or RPs
- Seashire events would therefore be any other event/happenings in the Halifax Regional Municipal (HRM) area
- Seashire Curia meetings will be open to all and publicized, with an emphasis on increased communication for citizens of the area
- Seashire will establish an Althing, a meeting of citizens, held at least annually.
- Agreement accepted by consensus of attendees.

**Policy Team** – Headed by Sebastian, other members are Sarra, Oliver and Janet

- Working drafts are on Google drive and is accessible by all.
- The docs are a Constitution and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), largely based on the Ruantallan existing documents.
- Documents are currently editable by anyone, with tracking in place. Need to do a reminder that these are available for reading and adding to or editing.
- Final versions to be ready by March 1
- Need to confirm Seashire's borders with East Kingdom (EK), Esperanza can check, to be determined by postal codes.
- Discussion on options for group ratification of Docs
  1. Could do formal poll for all Seashire and as per EK law, voting rights require membership.
  2. Could get Volunteers who are willing to form the Curia when coming out of Dormancy. This new Curia, once out of dormancy, can vote on the Docs and then get sanction from EK to finalize.
- Consensus to form a new Curia

**Curia Members Team** – Headed by Gaston

- Gaston has already been working on getting volunteers in place.
- Skaukatt has expressed interest in Exchequer. Tessa has expressed interest in Minister of Arts and Sciences.
- Need to find a Seneschal. Desired to have Knight marshal, in order to hold fight practice, also desired to have a Chatelaine to take pressure off Seneschal duties. Will want to limit Curia size to about these 4 or 5.

**What should Seashire be in the Future**

- Seashire's purpose is to make the SCA easier for people in the HRM – Guthfirth (from another meeting)
- Seashire is too big for everyone to be at the same party. We are trying to run the place like we can still get everyone all together at once, and we are too big. That's another thing contributing to bad communication.
- What we need is more things going on (meaning practices, A&S days, guild meetings, etc), with overlapping attendance.
- Need more chances to get to know each other. Regular activities where members interact in a casual manner, run by different people according to their interests, to spread the work around.
- Using community rooms/libraries for informal gatherings. Library program rooms are cheap for non-profits, or people can just meet up at the library for free.
- Need to look into forming a forum aside from Facebook, something Seashire itself has more control of.

#### **Summary of Next steps**

- Will have 2 more meeting to help finalize/polish Constitution and SOPs (likely end of January, and end of February), with the Constitution ready to present by 1 March
- Will continue to look for Curia members.
- Could come out of dormancy earlier than the end of 2023 if we can get these tasks done.

**Meeting Closed at 12:20**