Adrian Empire Imperial Estates Meeting July 20-21, 2002 Appendix A

Meeting Minutes, November 2001

This appendix was originally published as <u>2002March_AppAinterim.pdf</u>.

Some of the formatting has changed, and additional information has been substantiated and included.

So say We, HIMs Maedb Hawkins and Karl von Katzburg

November 2001 Imperial Estates Meeting

November 3-4, 2001 Minutes of the Meeting

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order about 9-ish.

II. ROLL CALL

Quorum was met with 64 votes present, either in person or by proxy.

III. CONSENT CALENDAR

No consent calendar.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approved as corrected. [Minor correction about two signatures required for banking, Imperial leve is exempt]

Approval of the minutes of the July 2001 Imperial Estates Meeting.

V. REPORTS

Accepted as a whole, with no objections

A. President

The President's report was included in the BoD report.

B. Board of Directors

Presented by HIM Dame Elisabeth, included items about:

- Corporation papers filed in Arizona
- EIN filing is complete
- June-to-June fiscal year

C. Steward

Presented by Sir Terrin Greyphis, included items about:

- Budget (presented on Sunday)
- Current with all subdivisions for all information
- 2 audits completed with satisfactory results (Terre Neuve and Umbria)

Budget presented on Sunday, regalia item removed, approved by acclamation (see Appendix A for presented budget)

D. Chancellor

Presented, included items about:

• 2001 updated Bylaws will be published by next month

E. Imperial Webmaster

Presented by Sir Robert de la Fonteyne (Jestar), included items about:

F. Imperial Chronicler

Presented, included items about:

• E-mail has drastically reduced costs

- Need someone to help with various sites
- Postcard to confirm e-status or members

G. Sovereign of Arms

Presented by Sir Nigel, included items about:

- Topcities received an unfounded complaint of pornography and has permanently removed the site without investigation
- Considered an act of treason and is a mundane crime

H. Imperial Chronicler

Presented

VI. CROWN BUSINESS

Charters

1. Shire of Andorra

Approved by acclamation.

Notice waived and Estates seated without objection. Required a majority vote.

Composed of the Quad-Cities area of Iowa and Illinois, to include the Counties of Rock Island, Henry, Whiteside, and Mercer in the State of Illinois, and the Counties of Scott, Clinton, and Muscatine in the State of Iowa.

Zip Codes:

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2. Amend the Charter of The Kingdom of Terre Neuve and create the Duchy of Brandenburg

A point of law was raised: There is no provision in Law for alteration of a charter.

Motion to convene a Civil Court within the body: Approved (yes 53]

was convened with the body as a whole with the following questions:

- 1. What order of law is a Charter?
- 2. What does it take to amend a Charter?
- 3. When a Charter is amended, what is its status?

Judges: Sir Jamie the Red of Esperance, Dame Justina of Umbria, Sir Jehan von Hapsburg of Esperance

Magistrate: Friar Magus of Sangrael

Scribe: Sir Nigel

The full text of the findings will be published, but are summarized here:

- 1. A charter is an Imperial Estates Writ, requiring a 2/3 vote to revoke.
- 2. If a Kingdom requests a charter amendment with a 2/3 majority of its estates, a simple majority of the Imperial Estates will be required. If the charter amendment does not have a 2/3 majority of its estates, it will require a 2/3 majority of the Imperial Estates.
- 3. Once amended, a charter must be re-drafted.

A. Amend the charter of the Kingdom of Terre Neuve as follows:

Failed (yes 34, no 24) Based on civil court ruling immeidately prior, required a 2/3 majority vote.

To Create the Duchy of Valencia: the northern part of San Diego County, California, generally north of State Highway 52.

Zip Codes, Valencia: 92003 92004 92007 92008 92009 92013 92014 92018 92023 92024 92025 92026 92027 92028 92029 92030 92033 92036 92037 92038 92039 92046 92049 92051 92052 92054 92055 92056 92057 92058 92059 92060 92061 92064 92065 92066 92067 92068 92069 92070 92074 92075 92078 92079 92082 92083 92084 92085 92086 92088 92091 92092 92093 92096 92121 92122 92126 92127 92128 92129 92130 92131 92145 92150 92161 92172 92191 92192 92196 92198 92199 92672

To amend the charter of Terre Neuve: the southern part of San Diego County, California, generally south of State Highway 52, and all of Imperial County, California, inclusive.

Zip Codes, Terre Neuve: 91901 91902 91903 91905 91906 91908 91909 91910 91911 91912 91913 91914 91915 91916 91917 91921 91931 91932 91933 91934 91935 91941 91942 91943 91944 91945 91946 91947 91948 91950 91951 91962 91963 91976 91977 91978 91979 91980 91987 91990 92019 92020 92021 92022 92040 92071 92072 92090 92101 92102 92103 92104 92105 92106 92107 92108 92109 92110 92111 92112 92113 92114 92115 92116 92117 92118 92119 92120 92123 92124 92132 92133 92134 92135 92136 92137 92138 92139 92140 92142 92143 92147 92149 92152 92153 92154 92155 92158 92159 92160 92162 92163 92164 92165 92166 92167 92168 92169 92170 92171 92173 92174 92175 92176 92177 92178 92179 92182 92184 92186 92187 92190 92193 92194 92195 92197 92222 92227 92231 92232 92233 92243 92244 92249 92250 92251 92257 92259 92266 92273 92274 92275 92281 92283

B. "Grandfathered" citizenship

Withdrawn by author

May be enacted by 2/3 majority or the Estates could make a resolution asking the Imperial Crown to exercise their perogative in this matter.

Whereas, the goal in the creation of a northern Duchy in Terre Neuve is not to divide local Estates, all currently paid members in good standing of the Kingdom of Terre Neuve shall have a 30-day grace period in which to declare their citizenship; either as Duchy or as Kingdom members.

This is a one-time only 30-day opportunity and shall only apply to paid members in good standing at the time of the division.

The Crown of Terre Neuve shall set the beginning date and any member who wishes to chose subdivision citizenship, as different from their geographically determined subdivision membership by residency, will notify the Royal Crown of Terre Neuve in writing within the stated 30 day period.

Any and All new memberships following the 30-day grace period shall be determined by geographic residence as per Adrian Empire policy. Any renewed memberships shall be determined geographically as per Adrian Empire policy unless the member renewing has previously, during the 30-day grace period, requested and obtained a "grandfathered" citizenship.

This non-geographic citizenship shall apply only to those who consistently maintain their paid memberships.

The following stipulation shall be enacted in perpetuity unless otherwise changed by the Imperial bylaws of the Adrian Empire and that is:

Any member of either the Duchy or the Kingdom whose membership lapses beyond the 30 day grace period allowed as per the Stewards Manual, at any time in the future shall have their citizenship henceforth determined geographically.

CRB1. Remove restrictions on where Imperial Crown/Civil Wars may be held.

Approved (yes 53, no 3, abstain 6)

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Required a majority vote. NOTE: Option B was considered before Option A. Option A became obsolete upon passage of the Option B.

Proposed:

b. Add the exception of Featherly Park in Yorba Linda Ca. as an approved exception from the restrictions to where a Imperial Crown War and an Imperial Civil War may be held.

CRB2. Add Conduct unbecoming a Knight to the list of chargeable offenses.

Motion to refer to Chancery for definition and clarification: Approved (yes 30, no 19)

Required 2/3 Majority to amend the bylaws, and a simple majority to amend the Codex Adjutica.

Add to list of chargeable offenses in

- a. the Bylaws: Conduct Unbecoming a Knight
- b. in the Codex Adjutica: Conduct Unbecoming a Knight

CRB3. Remove all references to specific regalia worn by various titles.

Approved (yes 34, no 28)

Required a simple majority.

Remove from Law all references to specific regalia worn by the various titles in the Empire.

The Imperial Estates Writ on Armigerous Rights, Regalia and Modes of Address, Orders and Awards, and Ministry Badges (Hereafter referred to as the Writ) reads as follows. Only those sections of the Writ which are relevant will be noted, for brevity's sake.

II. REGALIA AND MODES OF ADDRESS.

- A. THEORY.
- 1. Chains of State.
 - a. A Chain of State goes with a vote on the Estates. Therefore, those ranks which do not carry a vote on the Estates are not permitted a Chain of State.
 - b. The Chains of State are divided into three groups: Precious metal for Estates Royal, mixed precious and base metal for Estates Major, and base metal only for Estates Minor.

Chains of State are not regulated by Law.

3. Restrictions.

- a. None of the regalia or styles listed below is mandatory, for example, no one is required to wear that to which one is entitled; however, others who are not so entitled may be restricted from using such regalia or styles.
- b. Addressing someone with a form different from that listed for that member's station is neither prohibited nor discouraged, since forms of address are merely a way of showing respect.
- c. The Estates of a Kingdom may choose to further restrict or augment the regalia listed below, such as by adding a few links of contrasting metal to a Chain of State, so long as such restriction or augmentation does not conflict with this list.

B. PRACTICE.

What follows are the regalia and modes of address for each rank in the Order of Precedence which has been registered by the Imperial College of Arms. Titles are listed in descending order of precedence, with Landed Estates listed by the name of the Estate rather than its rulers.

1. Empire. Estate Imperial, ruled by an Emperor and/or Empress. Ruler may wear a Crown-and a gold Chain of State. Ruler may be addressed as "Your Imperial Majesty", "Your Majesty", "Your Highness", or "Your Grace". Ruler may be styled "Emperor <name>" or "Empress <name>" according to gender, or may use a non-English translation.

Other entries mentioning Chains of State follow likewise, except this one:

22. Lord/Lady Protector. Temporary position, acting as the Crown of a Geographic Chartered Subdivision for a period of less than 1 year. Carries precedent with and may wear the Chain of State appropriate to the rank of their Subdivision, but should not wear the Subdivision's Crown. May be addressed as "Your Grace". Holders may append "Lord/Lady Protector of <subdivision name>" to their existing style while in office. (Example: "Earl XXX, Lord Protector of YYY".)

CRB4. To close the Imperial Order "Protectors of the Dream."

Motion to refer to the members of the Order for redraft: Approved by acclamation *Required 2/3 majority.*

Close the Imperial Order "Protectors of the Dream".

VII. CHANCERY BUSINESS

CHB1. Elect the Board of Directors (total five in number)

Arizona Corporate Law requires President, Vice President and Secretary Treasure to be on Board of Directors. Membership on the Board requires limited disclosure to the State of Arizona regarding your personal financial and legal history.

President: Dame Maedb Hawkins

Vice President: Sir Karl von Katzburg

Secretary/Treasurer: Sir Terrin Greyphis of Esperance

Member-at-large: Dame Elisabeth Grey of Tierra del Fuego

Member-at-large: Sir Trakx Greenwood of York

Other nomications considered: Sir Mathglamhain Kilshannig, Sir Pavo Rosalio

CHB2. Consider second Reign of Erik and Elisabeth

Approved by acclamation.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

OB1. Amend qualifications for Steward

Tabled by acclamation pending further investigation by author.

Article VII: Ministries, Section F: Definitions, Part 3: The Steward.

Current Language:

Requirements: must be qualified in bookkeeping and/or accounting.

Proposed Language:

Requirements: must be qualified in bookkeeping and/or accounting; *must be able and willing to be bonded (Imperial).*

Commentary from the Chancery : this item was mistakenly reported as passed in the minutes from March 2001 in fact it was tabled so the bonding process could be researched and it remains as old business until such time as it is acted on.

OB2. Amend Article IX. C. Ranks 2. Robe d.iii., e.iii., f.iii., to delete Masterworks

Left on the table without objection *Previously OB #2. This requires a 2/3 majority, referred to the Arts Ministry, tabled until playtest of new arts manual is complete.*

Current Language:

Article IX. C. Ranks 2. Robe d. iii. e. iii. f. iii. master works

Delete (and renumber).

OB3. Add local attendance requirement for local Crown/Civil Wars.

Motion to table: Failed (yes 18, no 34)

Failed (yes 19, no 40)

Required a 2/3 majority

Proposal:

Add additional part to Article III.F (additions in **bold**)

Current Language:

Article III: Members, Section F. MEMBERSHIP ASSIGNMENT TO CHARTERED SUBDIVISION

A participant shall be considered to be a member of the chartered subdivision in which they reside (where a participant physically lives). In the case where a participant may have multiple residences or special circumstances, the Imperial Crown shall decide as to which chartered subdivision the participant is a member.

Proposed Language:

- 1. A participant shall be considered to be a member of the chartered subdivision in which they reside (where a participant physically lives). In the case where a participant may have multiple residences or special circumstances, the Imperial Crown shall decide as to which chartered subdivision the participant is a member.
- 2. For the purposes of determining membership for a Crown or Civil War, a participant must have also attended two events in the last six months within the subdivision, exclusive of the war.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

Note: all new business items shall appear on the March agenda as old business. Until then, please consult with the authors for suggested rewrites, or the chancery for submission of a counterproposal. The commentary has remained in the minutes to aid in this process.

NB1. Add judging requirements to Arts Knighthood.

No action.

Proposed add additional requirements to the Arts Knighthood.

- 1. The member must sit as a judge in an arts tournament at least three times, and
- 2. One of the demonstrations that they are required to participate in be a collegium on judging, performed by another Knight Robe, at the very least.

Commentary: My reasoning behind this is thus: I have noticed, at events, local wars, and at the Banner Wars, that there have been a shortage of those qualified or willing to judge the Arts. This has caused a delay in the judging and a burden on those who continuously judge. Those members, who always judge, miss out on the day's events, and in my opinion, this not fair. I have seen, on several occasions, when a request is made for volunteers for judging, no one does. This lack of volunteers always prompts those that do asset to spring into action and thus volunteer themselves.

With this in mind, I also believe that an Arts Knight should be well versed in the area of judging. Being a Knight in this discipline is not just about making the projects. Often, Arts Knights are called upon to judge projects that specific members do not think were judged appropriately or fairly at an event. How can an Arts Knight judge a project if they have never judged or been to a collegium on how to judge? This proposal is authored by myself and sponsored by Princess Jericho. Once this is official, I would like to see if there is someone who would like to speak for it at the next Imperial Estates meeting in case Princess Jericho or myself cannot attend.

In Service, Elricus Rex Eboraci

Author: Crown of York and Princess Jericho

NB2. Membership suspension

No action.

Add to Article III.A.4:

Article III: MEMBERS

A.4. MEMBERSHIP SUSPENSION

Membership in the Adrian Empire may be suspended indefinitely, upon Imperial Decree, for the following reason:

- a. A member is CHARGED with a violation of state or federal penal code in connection with or relevant to an Adrian Empire activity.
- b. Suspension may be for the duration of the pending case again the member. If the member is convicted, then Article III, A.2.a. applies. If the member is acquitted or charges dropped, then Article III, A.2.b. applies, and the membership may still be revoked upon recommendation of a duly-constituted judicial court following conviction under Adrian law.

Commentary: There is currently no provision under Adrian law that addresses this issue. For example, if a member is charged with lewd and lascivious activity with a minor, or any other offense in connection or relevant to an Adrian Empire activity, the outcome of the case may take a while. During this time there is nothing to keep the member from attending the events, although he/she may still pose a danger or concern to other members. I realize that innocent until proven guilty is a point here, but a person cannot be charged with a crime unless probable cause exists. Therefore, if a member is charged, that should be sufficient grounds to suspend membership. Additionally, acquittal or charges being dropped does not totally vindicate an individual. Often, there are loopholes or conditions placed on an individual that cause acquittal or charges being dropped. In the Miami-Dade County system, first time offenders are often given a pre-trial intervention program, which, when successfully completed, the charges are dropped. This does not mean that they did not commit the offense.

Author/Sponsor: Sir Elric and Dame Jericho of York.

NB3. Assignment to Chartered Subdivisions.

No action.

Amend Article III: Members, Section F: Membership:

Currently the Bylaws state that a participant shall be considered to be a member of the subdivision in which they reside (where they physically live). This proposal would amend the bylaws to allow members to choose the subdivision they wish to belong to. A stipulation to this would be that the member could only hold a ministry position, form an estate, or be an estate member in their chosen home subdivision.

Commentary: Adria is growing enormously, many more subdivisions will be desiring to divide, and this is a way to accomodate everyone.

Author: by Sir Elric of York.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Sunday

Appendix A. 2002 Proposed Budget

	2001 Projected	2001 Y-T-D	Donated Costs*	Total Value	Proposed 2002
Proposed Budget Expenses 2001					
Eastern Imperial War	\$1,500.00	\$1,412.82	-	-	\$1,500.00
Western Imperial War	2,500.00	1,333.04	-	-	2,500.00
Eastern Banner War	1,000.00	1,381.48	-	-	1,500.00
Western Banner War	2,500.00	1,665.06	-	-	2,500.00
Imperial Coronation	1,500.00	2,564.71	-	-	1,800.00
Liability Insurance	3,358.22	4,079.00	-	-	4,100.00
Error and Omission Insurance	1,600.00	990.00	-	-	1,000.00
Newsletter	5,000.00	3,466.12	-	-	5,500.00
Administration	2,000.00	274.56	-	-	1,000.00
Estates Meetings	600.00	654.00	\$300.00	\$954.00	1,000.00
Travel	800.00	800.00	-	-	800.00
Accounting and Taxes	2,500.00	3,258.46	-	-	3,000.00
Web Site	400.00	294.85	-	-	300.00
P.O. Box	58.00	226.92	-	-	250.00
Regalia	0.00	0.00	-	-	3,000.00
Capital Reserve	2,000.00	2,000.00	-	-	500.00
Bank Charges	75.00	35.70	-	-	50.00
Projected Total Expenditures	\$27,391.22				\$30,300.00
Proposed Budget Income 2001					
Eastern Imperial War	\$1,500.00	\$1,298.00	-	-	\$1,500.00
Western Imperial War	2,500.00	1,382.00	-	-	2,500.00
Eastern Banner War	1,500.00	1,396.00	-	-	1,500.00
Western Banner War	2,500.00	2,388.00	-	-	2,500.00
Imperial Coronation	1,500.00	1,473.00	-	-	1,800.00
Regional Accounting Contribution	0.00	0.00	-	-	0.00
Membership	12,050.00	22,006.00	-	_	20,700.00
Donations	0.00	93.00	-	_	0.00
Other (reimbursements – dog bite)	811.25	811.25	-	-	0.00
WIW99 Recovery Donations	0.00	0.00	-	-	0.00
Project Total Income	\$22,361.25				\$30,500.00

END OF MINUTES