



**The Adrian Empire
Imperial Estates Meeting
5th and 6th of November, 2016
Agenda**

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GENERAL MEETING INFORMATION

Location: Best Western Seven Seas, 411 Hotel Circle South, San Diego, California

Amenities: Free Wi-Fi, Free fitness center, On-Site Restaurant, Free parking, Room service from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., heated outdoor pool, Guest laundry machines, On-site café, and an On Site Bar & Lounge.

Date and Time:

Fri, 4 November:	6:00 –TBD	BoD Meeting (evening)
Sat, 5 November:	8:30 – 9:15	Sign In
	9:30 – 4:00	Imperial Estates Meeting
	6:00 – TBD	Coronation Feast
Sun, 6 November:	9:30 – 6:00	Imperial Estates Meeting (as needed)

Airport: San Diego Lindbergh International Airport; there is no shuttle service between the hotel and airport.

Reservations: Individuals Call (800) 328-1618 and tell them you are with the Adrian Empire. Please book your rooms directly with the hotel, under the Adrian Empire as soon as possible. In addition to reserving your room at the hotel, RSVP for both the IEM meeting room with Queen Babette or King Callon and for the coronation feast with Dame Moriyana.

Room Rate:

The Adrian Empire did not have to guarantee to fill a specific number of rooms. The hotel is providing a block of rooms to the Adrian Empire as a courtesy, and they will release rooms as mentioned in Guest rooms/Billing Information below:

Here is a total number of rooms of each kind that they are saving for us at this time:

\$79.00* Friday & Saturday / \$65.00 Sunday & Weekday for Single Queen (20)
 \$89.00* Friday & Saturday / \$75.00 Sunday & Weekday for Double/Double (20)
 \$119.00* for 2 Queens (5)

*plus 10.5% Occupancy Tax and 2% SDTMDA and 0.195% CA Tourism Fee

GUEST ROOMS/BILLING INFORMATION:

The following sliding scale indicates the percent of the total room nights that must be booked by the deadline. If the percent is not met, then the hotel reserves the right to lower the block by the remaining balance.

- 60 days prior to arrival-25% of total room nights contracted (September 4th)
- 45 days prior to arrival-50% of total room nights contracted (September 19th)
- 30 days prior to arrival-75% of total room nights contracted (October 4th)
- 15 days prior to arrival-100% of total room nights contracted (October 19th)

Site Autocrat: Queen Babette and King Callon of Terre Neuve (please see their post on the AdrianEmpire Yahoo! forum for information about the event).

Agenda Legend:

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Chancery notes, comments, and explanations.

Requirement for Written Proxies. (Lex Adria Article VI.H Ratified November, 2010)

It is the right of any member entitled to a vote to give a written proxy to any other Adrian member attending the meeting. Emailed written proxies must be received by the Imperial Chancellery Office by [the] Friday evening prior [to] the Imperial Estates Meeting, and/or presented to the Imperial Chancellor at Roll Call. If a proxy is not presented to the Chancellery Office by the end of Roll Call, the vote will not be counted.

AGENDA

SIGN IN

CALL TO ORDER

REPORTS

A. Executive

1. Crown(s)
2. President and Board of Directors

B. Ministers

1. Archery
2. Arts and Sciences
3. Chancery
4. Hospitaler
5. Joust and War
6. Physicker
7. Publishing (includes Imperial Webmaster, Chronicler, etc.)
8. Rolls and Lists
9. Sovereign of Arms
10. Steward
11. Other Officers

ROLL CALL

- A. Seating of qualified members and written proxies
- B. Petitions to waive as per Article VI.E.6. Disqualifications

(Requires 2/3 to approve)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(Requires majority to approve)

Approval of the minutes of the July 2016 IEM.

CROWN BUSINESS

CRB1. Charter Amendments

A. Consider reducing the following Chapters in status due to insufficient numbers:

Kingdoms:

(Requires 2/3rds to approve)

Stirling 93

B. The following Chapters are being reduced per Lex Adria Imperium, Article VIII, D, 2b xi:

(Notification Only; While no action is required, appeals may be made to the Estates which would require 2/3rds to pass)

Archduchy:

Alhambra 28

Albion-Rayonne 46

Duchy:

Somerset 19

Shire to Dissolve:

(None)

Chancellor's Note: the above listing is based on the Membership Summary as of the date of publication.

C. Elevate the following Chapters in status:

(Requires majority to approve)

(None received)

D. Other Amendments

(Notification only, no action required)

1. The following Chapters are delinquent for 2 months of steward's reports. If reports are not received within thirty days of this publication, the crowns and stewards shall have a complaint and be placed on Judicial ban:

(None)

2. The following Chapters are delinquent three months or more in the Stewards office:

(None)

CRB2. Remove Lifetime Membership

(Formerly known as CRB3)

(Requires 2/3 to approve)

Change Adria's laws to no longer sell lifetime memberships. Existing lifetime memberships will not be affected. Strike or update references to Lifetime Membership in all laws and manuals. This includes Bylaws Article III, D; Bylaws Article III, E; and Bylaws Article IV, A. Add a dated note that they were removed. Adjust the membership form to meet this change in law.

Imperial Commentary: Lifetime Memberships are not a sustainable business practice. If we continue with them, there will reach a point where the money coming into the Empire will not be able to cover the insurance let alone any of the operating expenses.

CRB3. Create 10 Year Membership

(Formerly known as CRB4)

(Requires 2/3 to approve)

Option 1: Add a new membership type called a “Campaign Membership” that is good for 10 years with a current cost of \$270.

Option 2: Add a new membership type called a “Campaign Membership” that is good for 10 years with a current cost of \$250.

Imperial Commentary: The incentive for this package deal is that you get a year free by bundling 10 years at once. Option 2 comes out to be around \$5/year savings.

CRB4. Make-up Event Time Limit

(Notification only, no action required)

It is Their Imperial Majesties’ determination that make-up events must take place within one year from the date that it was originally scheduled to take place.

Imperial Commentary: An event held in April, even if held in July, only has until the following April to be rejected or receives a blanket approval as per IEW34 III.C. How Are Points Granted: All points are granted by the authority of the Crown. Points in local chapters are granted by the Crown(s) of that chapter, subject to review and approval by the Imperial Crown(s) within one year from the date of participation. All points awarded by local Crowns and not objected to within that time will be considered approved.

CHANCERY BUSINESS

CH1. Court Reports

A. Judicial Courts

1. Rulings of the Courts

(None received)

B. Civil Courts

(None received)

CH2. Election of the Board of Directors Members

(Requires majority)

Approval of the current and nominated voting members of the Board of Directors:

Treasurer	Lawrence Moura	Imperial Crown Appointed
<u>Region 1</u>	<u>John Caldwell</u>	<u>nomination needs approval by the Estates</u>
Region 1	Dance Olsen	expires November, 2017
<u>Region 2</u>	<u>Brandon Grider</u>	<u>nomination needs approval by the Estates</u>
Region 2	Christina Cox	expires November, 2017
<u>Region 3</u>	<u>Thomas Wilson</u>	<u>nomination needs approval by the Estates</u>
Region 3	David Bradtmueller	expires November, 2017
<u>At Large</u>	<u>Michelle Kout</u>	<u>nomination needs approval by the Estates</u>
<u>At Large</u>	<u>Jeffery Kout</u>	<u>nomination needs approval by the Estates</u>

CH3. Election of the Board of Directors President.

(Requires majority)

Letters of Intent have been received (see Appendix A):

Election of the President of the BoD

Christina Cox (Princess Aislynn)

Chancellery Note: The BoD shall meet on Sunday to be sworn in, elect its Vice President and Secretary, and approve any banking resolution if needed.

CH4. Approval of the amended 2015-2016 Imperial Budget*(Requires majority)*

Will be provided separately.

CH5. Approval of the proposed 2016-2017 Imperial Budget*(Requires majority)*

Will be provided separately.

CH6. Review of Associate Memberships as per the Bylaws, Article III, B, 4.*(Requires majority)***OLD BUSINESS****OB1. Charter Reductions***(Formerly known as NBI)**(Requires 2/3 to pass)*

All charter reductions, including Kingdoms, Duchies and Archduchies, shall be addressed and voted on by the Estates only once per reign, at the next meeting after the renewal deadline. A subdivision may request elevation at any meeting.

Author's Commentary: Current interpretation of law is that Duchies and Archduchies are under the purview of the Imperial Crown. This changes that law.

Author: H1H Dame Aislynn, Duchess of Burgundy

Sponsor: HRM Gwyllum ap du Drane, King of Glynmore, Sir Prize Amadeus von Blackstaff, Duke of Burgundy, Dame Lysle Anne

Chancellor's Note: This would only limit the number of times this issue can be originated on the agenda, but if the estates wish to "grant an extension" or haven't yet made up their minds about any particular chapter when it first is voted on, they can table it for that/those estates and this legislation would not prevent those from being seen on the next agenda.

OB2. Steps to Knighthood: Renaissance Fighting*(Formerly known as NB2)**(Requires 2/3 to pass)*

Add an additional path to K2 and K3 Combatant knighthoods with different titles:

1. Knight Bachelor (first level) – un-differenced from standard
2. Knight Fencer (second level)
 - a. 18 additional Knights' list Rapier or Cut-and-Thrust participations
 - b. 5 additional Knights' list Rapier or Cut-and-Thrust tournament wins
 - c. 5 additional demo participations (involving Rapier or Cut-and-Thrust combat)
 - d. 5 additional war participations
3. Knight of Defense (third level)
 - a. 36 additional Knights' list Rapier or Cut-and-Thrust Participations
 - b. 10 additional Knights' list Rapier or Cut-and-Thrust tournament wins
 - c. 15 additional demo participations (involving Rapier or Cut-and-Thrust combat)
 - d. 10 additional war participations

Optional addition:

Grant the sumptuary right of a blue scarf to be won on the Knight Fencer's or Knight of Defenses' preferred sword arm between the elbow and the shoulder.

Author's Commentary: *With the SCA's addition of a Society-level peerage for unarmored combat, the rise in popularity of HEMA cut & thrust combat, and the continued issue of some combatants being unable to engage in medieval Armored combat (and thus unable to progress beyond Knight Bachelor), but very dedicated to the art of fencing and/or cut & thrust combat styles, the time has come to reconsider adding an optional STK document to the Adrian combat discipline.*

This optional STK would include only points earned in Rapier combat, and would grant the same sumptuary and armorial rights as existing combat Knighthoods, but not the titles of Knight Banneret or Champion (unless otherwise earned on the traditional STK).

Chancellor's Note: *I worked with the author to replace the term "Renaissance" with "Rapier" to be consistent with our current rules and manuals. Further clarification of his intent then added "Cut-and-Thrust." There may be more changes for November as he has now indicated that he wanted all non-armored formats to count including Rawlings, but as he didn't submit an update, I wasn't sure how he wanted that worded.*

Author: Baron Vanyev Betzina, KCv, KArch, KBch, IOTR

Sponsor: Sir Alexander of Manchester, KCv, KBch, LoC Glo, Duke of Gloucester; Dame Cryssida Blackwood of Clan McKlaine, KPr, KBch, KArch, Duchess of Alhambra; Sir Griffin Ulfhrafn, KCvl, KFrstr, KBch and KRb, Duke of Alhambra

OB3. DI & DP Distribution for Collegia & Demonstrations

(Formerly known as NB3)

(Requires majority to pass)

IEW-8. Classes Adopted, last amended December 2012 (Chancery).

C. There must be at least 10 people attending the class, in order for the instructor to receive a DI. This can be cumulative.

D. Each class a person gives within a twelve-month period must be on a different subject to receive DI credit.

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G. Those holding the class will garner a demo-initiation point when there are 10 attendees. Those attending, including those member(s) holding the class, regardless of whether a DI is awarded, will garner demo participation points that shall count in the discipline(s) in which the class was focused.

IEW #34 - Manual of Rolls and Lists

III. EARNING POINTS

3. DI's and DP's

b. How DI's are Awarded

i. Being the Autocrat of a Demonstration

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All Adrian members who attend, sign-in, and assist with the demonstration receive credit (called a DP, Demonstration Participation point) for their advancement towards knighthood in whatever discipline, or disciplines that they assisted with.

Demonstrating or discussing the techniques, materials, or equipment of a particular subject counts as a DP in that discipline...

iii. Teaching a Class (Giving a Collegium)

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To qualify for a DI, the class must have at least ten (10) separate attendees who have signed in (this may include the teachers. If there are not ten (10) attendees, the teacher may conduct the class again and accumulate attendance to reach this goal, but it only counts as one class *for their DI credit*. *All* Adrian members who attend a class and sign-in receive a DP. The DP shall count in the disciplines in which the class was focused. If more than one discipline is addressed, it may count in more than one discipline. For instance, if a class is taught on how to fight a particular style of combat, it counts as a combat DP, while a class taught on how to construct a period weapon that then goes into period use of that weapon, may count as both a combat DP and an arts DP. The Crown responsible for granting the points is also responsible for making this determination. The teacher is responsible for making sure an event sign-in form is filled out, that the class attendees sign-in, and that the form is turned into the Minister of Rolls upon completion. Failure to turn in the rolls paperwork for a collegium is cause to deny a DI regardless of how much other work was done.

A member may not *receive a DI for teaching* the same class more than once per year (unless it is a cumulative class). Members may attend classes as often as the class is taught and shall receive DP's for doing so. In a cumulative class, they only count toward the minimum of ten (10) attendees once.

Author's Commentary: A clarification to bring current policy in line with common understanding and promote various levels of participation in our stated mission of historical education.

GLOSSARY

Attendee – A person present at an Adrian Empire event regardless of membership status. To be an attendee, a person must sign-in on the Event Sign-in Sheet and, if there is a site fee, pay it and be recorded on the steward's sheet.

Demo Participation (DP) – If a member goes to a demonstration or collegium and they participate in that event, they receive a demonstration participation point. DP's may be earned by demonstrating or discussing the techniques, materials, and equipment of a subject as approved by the Crown. The DP's are applied within the discipline that the topic pertained to. (See: III.C.3. DI's and DP's.)

Author: Sir Draco Rivenoak, K3 & Viceroy of Beloozero

Sponsor: Lady Moira Pritani, K2 & Archduchess of Albion~Rayonne

NEW BUSINESS

NB1. Making up Monthly Crown Events

(Discussion automatic; 2/3 to consider, majority to pass)

"Chartered subdivisions can plan and hold make up events, not to exceed 3 per day, to meet the needs of their individual populace's safety and physical well-being. The process for making this decision should be agreed upon by the local estates. All Crowns should make every attempt to hold one event per month; however, "acts of God" can include not only unexpected inclement weather, but also anticipated and normal climate conditions, such events as excessive heat or cold."

Author's Commentary: When the state says to keep the children in from recess from excessive heat, the road crews shut down, it is unsafe to travel icy roads, etc., it is also unreasonable to expect our populace to safely participate, much less enjoy, our events. And after all, isn't the enjoyment why we are here?

Author: Princess Aislynn, Duchess of Burgundy & Sir Desmond, Archduke of Auroch's Fjord

Chancellery Point of Law: Lex Adria addresses this issue in Article V, D. Make-up Events, Tournaments can be made up if they were canceled or interrupted due to: 1. Lack of facilities 2. Acts of God, such as (a). Rain, hail, or snow (b). Excessive heat, cold, or winds, (c). Flooding 3. Darkness, 4. Safety, and 5. Any other conditions that in the opinion of the Crown warrants invoking this law.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

DI1. New Yearly Schedule

Their Imperial Majesties would like to have a committee formed to discuss a new yearly schedule.

NEXT MEETING OF THE IMPERIAL ESTATES

TBD

ADJOURNMENT

Appendix A

To my fellow Adrians:

I would like to serve this notice of my intent to run and my willingness to serve as President of the Board of Directors.

I have served as Vice President for 3 different terms. I currently am serving as president, having been elected in July of this year to fill a vacancy. I have been a member of the board through several of its incarnations. Additionally, I have held several Ministry positions within Adria and have served as Crown multiple times.

If I were to refine my ideas to one major goal for this coming year, it would be to make the board's activity more open and transparent; and as part of that, to clarify its functions and to create an archive of its records that is easily accessible to the membership of the board and to the members of our group.

I thank you for your consideration.

Christina Cox