



**The Adrian Empire
Imperial Estates Meeting
March 25 and 26, 2023
REVISED Agenda**

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GENERAL MEETING INFORMATION

Location: Digital meeting via Zoom; details and meeting link forthcoming

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(Requirements for actions and approval)

Chancery notes, comments, and explanations.

Author's commentary

Imperial Crown commentary

AGENDA

I. SIGN IN

II. CALL TO ORDER

III. ROLL CALL

- A. Seating of qualified members and written proxies
- B. Petitions to waive as per Article VI.E.6.
(Requires 2/3 to approve.)

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Approval of the minutes of the November 2022 IEM
(Requires majority to approve.)

V. 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

VI. CROWN BUSINESS

CRB1. Charter Amendments

Chancery Note: These listings are based on the Membership Summary as of the date of publication. Chapter reductions will be considered in July.

A. Elevate the following Chapters in status: *(Requires majority to approve.)*

1. Shire of Connacht
Current membership: 23

B. Crown announcements regarding Shires:

1. Shire of Beauwood (4 / 5)
2. Shire of Gloucester (1 / 5)
3. Shire of Murrisk (2 / 5)
4. Shire of Stonehaven

CRB2. Imperial Estates Review of Crown Writs

(No action required. Requires majority to adopt as IEW; requires majority to reject modifications to ICW. With no action, item will remain ICW.)

A. Mundane Names on Open Websites

In an effort to protect the privacy of our members, mundane names will no longer be publicly posted on any Adrian website.

The implementation approved by the Board of Directors applies the alias of "FirstName of Chapter" (e.g., John of Umbria) to members who have not selected a persona.

B. Bonus Points in Arts

Awarding of bonus points in judging arts entries is at the sole discretion of the judge, to the maximum indicated on the judging forms. A submission does not need to receive full marks in a category in order for bonus points to be awarded in that category.

CRB3. Budgetary Amendment

(Requires majority to approve.)

- A. Social Media and Advertising Campaign - \$5,000
- B. Penalty and Interest - \$2,000
- C. Promotional Items - \$1,200

CRB4. Allow Imperial Steward a Debit Card
(Requires majority to approve.)

Amend IEW 20.C.1. as follows:

~~Under no circumstances shall any member~~ Only the Imperial Steward may obtain or use an ATM debit card for any Adrian Empire, Inc. bank account including accounts of any Chapter.

Crown Commentary: The convenience of having a debit card over having to write cheques is definitely a modern age luxury. We wish to know if the estates wish to uphold the writ that denies debit cards of any kind on Adrian accounts or if the estates would like to remove that restriction as it is outdated and somewhat moot point. If someone is wishing to defraud the Adrian Empire, they can just as easily write a cheque as pull the money from a machine.

VII. CHANCERY BUSINESS

CHB1. Court Reports

A. Special Panel

No report(s) provided.

B. Judicial Courts

No report(s) provided.

C. Civil Courts

None.

CHB2. Election of the Board of Directors President

Letters of Intent Received (Appendix A):

Angela Akins-Sawyer

Lindsay Oleson

CHB3. Consideration of the Success of Reign of TIMs Eric McKiver and Etoile de Manchou

(Requires majority.)

CHB4. Election of the Special Panel per Bylaws Article III

Letters of Intent Received (Appendix B):

Patty Vanik

Four (4) panelists and two (2) alternates must be chosen at this time.

Chancery Note: The Special Panel is tasked with the decision to deny, revoke, or suspend membership. Per Bylaws Article III.A.4.b., the Special Panel is comprised of the Crown(s) of the member's chapter, two Royal Crowns from a rotational list, and four members elected by the Imperial Estates to serve on the panel, starting in March, for a term of one year. The Imperial Estates are also to elect two alternate panel members at this time. All panel members must be at least 18 years of age, members in good standing, and Knights.

CHB5. Updates and Corrections to Manuals and Documents

(Requires majority.)

Due to website troubles, most (but not all) updated manuals are available for review on adrianempire.org. Please refer to the published Imperial Estates Minutes for additional updates.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

None

IX. NEW BUSINESS**NB1. Adopt Revised Stewards Manual, IEW3**

(Discussion automatic. Requires 2/3 to consider.)

Re-adopt and amend by substitution of CCW #8 as Imperial Estates Writ #3, with all approved laws approved since our repeal of Imperial Estates Writ #3, for Chancery review.

Authors' commentary: Under Prince L'Bete & Princess Gabrielle's former reign, we repealed IEW#3 for review and implemented CCW#8. We have had no updates on the review of IEW#3, and believe we need to implement something that is standard across the Empire, even if it must be revised later. This item has been a continuing writ through Prince L'Bete and Princess Gabrielle, Prince Demond and Princess Babette, & Prince Eric and Princess Etoile's reigns, with minimal revision and we believe it has withheld long enough to become actual law.

Authors/Sponsors: HIH William, Lady Moira Pritani, Mira Angel of Hart

NB2. Restore Mundane Names to Public Website

(Discussion automatic. Requires 2/3 to consider.)

We request that mundane names and numbers be included on the member section of adrianempire.org, and our Glossary definition of Privacy be included in IEW#7.

Authors' commentary: While we understand that our Lex Adria Imperium glossary doesn't rise to the level of law, it is informative and provides a framework for expectations. To accommodate a theoretical mundane situation we have yet to currently encounter (having recently received no restraining orders or police reports of threats, stalking, etc...), we wonder if it wouldn't be easier (legally & game-wise) to comply with the individual situations, as we have done in the past, without including all members of our organization in a worse-case scenario?

If we want to arbitrarily start adjusting our website, should we not do it to remove event activity and game names, as that information tells more about where a person plays and when if someone is actually seeking information towards nefarious ends?

Authors/Sponsors: Mira Angel of Hart, Lady Moira Pritani

NB3. Imperial Event Bids

(Discussion automatic. Requires 2/3 to consider.)

Add the following to Lex Adria Imperium Article VI. Part A:

[Their Imperial Majesties shall make Imperial Event bid submissions available to the Imperial Estates as part of their Crown Reports.](#)

Authors' commentary: Now that we have passed legislation that electronic meetings are allowable by law in the absence of valid bids, we would like to see what bids are being presented and better understand what criteria was used to determine why they may not have been valid.

Authors/Sponsors: Mira Angel of Hart, Lady Moira Pritani

NB4. Points for Compound Events

(Discussion automatic. Requires 2/3 to consider.)

Amend the Rolls and Lists Manual (IEW 34), Part III “Earning Points,” Section C “How Are Points Granted” as follows:

4. Compound Events:

- a. A Crown Event consists of scheduled tournaments. As such, archery, combat and arts tournaments held at a Crown Event are part of the Crown Event. One sign-in sheet shall govern all tournament activities at a Crown Event.
 - i. A tournament scheduled outside of a Crown Event is considered an event in and of itself, and shall have its own Event sign-in sheet.
 - ii. An off-site arts judging, such as judging an alcohol-based entry which cannot be performed at a Crown Event held at a dry site, is part of the Crown Event for which the arts entry applies.
- b. A Crown Event and a Crown-sponsored War are considered separate events unto themselves and, as such, will have separate Event sign-in sheets even if they occur on the same day.

OPTION 1

- c. Collegia held at a Crown Event are part of that Crown Event. The Crown Event sign-in shall be used for attendance at the event as normal. Each collegia shall have their own collegia sign-in to determine who attended the collegia, but attendees must also be signed in on the Crown Event sign-in.
 - i. Multiple collegia held separate from a Crown Event but as an event unto themselves (*Blue Rose Collegia weekend, for example*) shall be treated as part of the over-arching event. There will be a main Event sign-in, and each collegium will maintain a collegium sign-in to determine who attended which collegium.
 - ii. Collegium attendees and instructors will be awarded points as set forth in III.C.3.

OPTION 2

- c. Collegia shall be considered their own event. There is no need for a main Collegia event sign-in; each collegium sign-in shall determine attendance at the collegium. Collegium attendees and instructors will be awarded points as set forth in III.C.3.

Option 1 means that events like the Blue Rose Collegia Weekend (multiple collegia over 2 days) would be considered an event unto itself, in addition to the DIs and DPs awarded to instructors and attendees of the individual collegia. The autocrat for the event would be eligible for a DI.

Option 2 means that events like the Blue Rose Collegia Weekend would not be considered an event in itself; rather, the sole points awarded would be the DIs and DPs awarded to instructors and attendees of the individual collegia. There would be no autocrat DI available for organizing the event.

Authors/Sponsors: Their Imperial Majesties Callon and Gabriele

X. DISCUSSION ITEMS

None.

XI. NEXT MEETING OF THE IMPERIAL ESTATES

TBD

XII. ADJOURNMENT

APPENDIX A

Letters of Intent – Board of Directors President

Greetings,

I have served on the Board of Adrian Empire Inc for the last three years. During this time the Board of Directors has been through some massive changes and challenges to maintain our corporate health and protect our status as a 501(c)3 NPO. I have been serving as Board secretary for the duration of my time serving on the Board.

At this time, it is my intent to run for president of the Board of Directors. I desire to assist the Board in organizing ‘task groups’ to complete some policy projects that have been pushed aside to handle more pressing issues that have presented themselves over the years. My main objective, however, is to give the Board a cohesive voice. The opinion of the Board, when published, should be the product of a discussion involving the entire board as apposed to the opinion of the President and Vice President alone.

We have made great strides in regard to corporate compliance and I would like to be an active part in obtaining our goals and objectives.

Thank you for your consideration,

Angela Akins-Sawyer (AKA Mira Angel of Hart) Knight Premiere

Greetings Unto the Estates,

I’d like to offer my services as President of the Board of Directors. Since joining Adria in 2010, I have served as local Arts Minister, Queen of Umbria, Imperial Chancellor, and member of the Board of Directors.

We have recently made great progress in establishing financial compliance. Additionally, the need to modernize our database and website infrastructure has come to the forefront. If I am elected, my primary focus would be on bringing our organization’s operations into line with the expectations and best practices of our modern era.

It would be an honor to lead the Board in pursuit of these goals, as well as in addressing any issues or challenges that may arise during the coming year.

Yours in Service,

Lindsay Oleson / HG Edelinne d’Orsay

APPENDIX B

Letters of Intent – Special Panel

Greetings Your Excellency Edelinne and the Imperial Estates;

I would like to submit my name for consideration of election to the Special Panel. I have been a member in good standing of Adria since 2009. In that time, I have achieved third level knighthood in 3 disciplines and 2nd level knighthood in the fourth. The knowledge I have gained of the Empire guidelines thru service in local and imperial ministry positions should be helpful to me in serving in this position. I believe I am able to bring a balance to assist in determining these types of issue, considering both the Empire as well as the Member.

In service

Dame Katelyn, mka Patty Vanik
Archduchy of Stirling