

Amtgard, Inc., Kingdom of the Burning Lands
International Board of Directors Meeting
September 28, 2002

Present Board Members:

Sir Aramithris, Monarch & President of the Board
Captain of the Guard Kurse
Dame Gwynne
Sir Raphael
Dame Verana, Consort
Sir Bolt
Squire Mezzie

Absent Board Members:

Prime Minister, Vinall

- I. Sir Aramithris brought the meeting to order at 8:30 p.m. The Board minutes of July 13, 2002, July 27, 2002 and August 11, 2002 were unanimously approved as written. The bank statement of August 30, 2002 was made available to all members present.
- I. Groups:
- A. It was reported that Wetlands has, by vote of the Althing, accepted the terms and conditions presented to them by all of the monarchs attending Clan 20. A copy of this letter is attached as part of these minutes. **A motion was made and seconded** to reinstate Wetlands as an Amtgard kingdom. **The motion passed by unanimous consent.**
- B. The shire of Shadowvale's petition to join the Kingdom of the Burning Lands was formally accepted by the Board of Directors and by the monarchy of the Burning Lands. A copy of this petition is attached as part of these minutes. A discussion followed regarding appropriate titles and honors available to Shadowvale. **It was agreed** that at such time as Shadowvale is eligible for such titles and honors that are appropriate and applicable under the Corpora said titles and honors will be duly considered.
- C. It was reported that Westerngate has changed kingdom sponsorship from Goldenvale to Rising Winds. Sir Bolt will ask Westerngate for clarification of the legality of this change, i.e., was it done properly per Corpora. Sir Bolt will report back to the Board at the next scheduled meeting.
- D. Sir Aramithris reported that the monarch of Mystic Seas, Lukor, is working toward reconciliation between the kingdoms of Mystic Seas and Valley of the Silver Rains. In response to Lukor's query as to the possibility of forming yet a third kingdom in the Portland, Oregon area, Sir Aramithris, said, that in his capacity as president of the Board, he informed Lukor that this action was forbidden by Corpora, and further that the ongoing existence of two kingdoms in Oregon that violated the 150 mile rule was also in violation. Sir Aramithris said that he pointed out to Lukor the benefits of one large and united kingdom in lieu of several small opposing kingdoms citing the unfortunate position of the kingdom of Dragonspine as an example of the wisdom of the 150 mile rule. Lukor reported to Sir Aramithris that he was trying to correct the Oregon kingdom's corpora and contract discrepancies, and said he would be securing group Amtgard, Inc. contracts and would forward them to the Board as soon as possible.
- E. Squire Mezzie requested copies of two Croatian group's contracts to send back to them. It was noted that Amtgard, Inc. still does not have a signed contract from the main Croatian group despite their several years of existence. Further, it has been reported that this aforementioned group has performed illegal knightings and is claiming illegal group status. Ignorance of the Corpora was offered as a possible reason for these violations. This reasoning was denied as it has been verified that the Amtgard, Inc. Corpora has been translated into the Croatian language. **A motion was made and seconded** that if a signed Amtgard, Inc. contract from the main Croatian group is not received by the next scheduled Board meeting they will not be considered an Amtgard group. **The motion passed** by a vote of six (6) to one (1) abstention. Mezzie agreed to communicate this information to Croatia in a timely manner. Dame Gwynne noted that the two Croatian group's contracts that the Board has approved are not complete, i.e., face and signature pages only. Dame Gwynne asked Mezzie to add the necessary missing pages, give them to her (Dame Gwynne) for correction and completion before sending the Contracts back to the two Croatian groups heretofore mentioned. Mezzie agreed to do this.

- F. Sir Theo has signed Amtgard, Inc. contracts from several groups in the Celestial Kingdom area, and will be forwarding these contracts to the Board for approval.
- G. The Board still does not have a correct mailing address for Northern Hillstones. Their approved contract will be sent to them as soon as a viable address is received by the Board. Dame Verana will attempt to secure this address.
- H. The Board does not have a mailing address for the Shadow's Home approved contract.
- I. Sir Raphael has given Four Winds their approved contract.
- J. The Heart of Fire contract was signed by them in the wrong place and was not notarized. It was also noted that the Board does not have a return address for this group. Dame Verana noted that the return address was inadvertently destroyed when the envelope containing the contract was opened, and was not the fault of Heart of Fire. Dame Verana will secure a properly signed and notarized contract from Heart of Fire to present to the Board for approval.

II Rulebook 6.1:

- A. The 6.1 Rulebook committee would like to have a 6.1 representative from each Amtgard region. It was noted that inasmuch as Mystic Seas and Valley of the Silver Rains (VSR) are in the same region, only one representative is absolutely necessary. Sir Aramithris noted that Mystic Seas and VSR should present a common front representing their entire populace.
- B. There will be an on-line journal available for suggestions regarding the 6.1 Rulebook. Sir Raphael and Sir Aramithris noted that they are also keeping journals of 6.1 suggestions. Layout is in process for 6.1.

IV Sir Aramithris and Sir Raphael reported the following results of Clan 20 meetings and events:

- A. The final typesetting of the 6.1 rulebook revisions draft will be ready for play-testing at the end of September, 2002.
- B. The monarchs meeting at Clan 20, although informal, went very well. The monarchs agreed that Wetlands be given until September 20th to respond to the letter drafted unanimously by the monarchs requiring Wetlands to amend their corpora (as stated in the letter) before consideration would be given by the Board of Amtgard, Inc. to reinstate Wetlands as an Amtgard kingdom.

V Clan 20:

- A. The *unofficial minutes of the Clan 20 monarch's meeting have been posted.
*As stated and agreed upon at the monarch's meeting.

VI Minutes, Olympiad, Crown Qualifications Information:

- A. Dame Gwynne will provide Sir Raphael with a disk of all Board minutes not previously published in the Burning Lands newsletters and website.
- B. Dame Gwynne is creating an Olympiad outline for Amren and a Crown Qualifications outline for Mezzie.

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VII Crown Qualifications and fall/winter events:

- A. Judges are selected.
- B. Sir Aramithris will prepare all qualifications tests and run the gaming competitions. Gaming competitions are October 12th - Magic the Gathering, and October 18th - Hearts and Spades.
- C. A qualifications tournament autocrat will be selected.
- D. Qualifications to vote in Crown elections have been published.
- E. Amtgard, Inc. Board and Prime Minister resumes are due to the Prime Minister on or before December 28, 2002.
- F. Midreign will be held in October, 2002. Kurse is researching the availability of locations.
- G. The joint feast of Kingdom of the Burning Lands coronation and Archon Midwinter celebration will be held on Saturday, December 21st at 2310 Pittsburg, El Paso, TX 79930.
- H. In order to vote for the guildmaster of any guild, the person voting must have played that class at least once in the six months immediately preceding the vote. This is particularly true for reeves.

VIII Las Cruces Renfaire:

A. A hard copy of an email regarding the Burning Lands participation in the Las Cruces Renfaire from a representative of Dragonspine was given to the Board by Kurse. In response the Board agreed that the following statement be conveyed to the elected officials of Dragonspine, to wit: *The Kingdom of the Burning Lands will extend the same consideration to the Kingdom of Dragon at Clan 21 as Dragonspine does to the Burning Lands at Renfaire.* Kurse agreed to convey this statement via email.

IX Adjournment: There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:43 p.m. The next scheduled meeting will be Saturday, November 9, 2002.

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Amtgard, Inc. Board of Directors

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Sir Aramithris, Monarch and President

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Sir Raphael

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Dame Verana, Consort

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Sir Bolt

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Captain of the Guard, Kurse

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Countess Mezzie

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Dame Gwynne, Secretary-Treasurer