

The Moot of Their Majesties Edouard and Domhnail
Held at Trillium War
July 1, 2007-09-07

-The lawspeaker introduced the moot by describing the intent and purpose of the moot, highlighting it as a “gathering of equals” and open to all citizens of Ealdormere.

-A reading of a section of Ealdormere Law, Article 14 - Rights of the Subjects, Section 100

XIV-100 It is the right and duty of every citizen and resident of the Kingdom of Ealdormere to recommend to the Crown any person they deem worthy of receiving any of the Honours of Ealdormere. Recommendations are accepted for every level of award. It is not necessary to hold an award or be a member of a given Order to make a recommendation.

-An update on the status of the SCA-Canada Inc. was given by Mistress Keja
-Upon the advice of its’ legal counsel, the SCA has incorporated in each Canadian Province, the only exception being Nova Scotia due to differing incorporation laws.

-there has been little activity on the SCA Canada Yahoo list

-the SCA Canada forum was shut down due to lack of funds

-a discussion of SCA-Canada inc is to take place at the July BOD meeting

-a question was asked regarding what the potential issues with incorporation would be and why incorporation was raised as an issue to being with:

a) it was commented that some members felt that not being a Canadian Incorporation was “bad thing”

b) it was noted that there would be problems around GST collection

c) it was noted that we have a stronger base for our liability insurance as we stand because the group base would be larger than a separate incorporation

-A question was asked regarding what the legal age for a minor was in the SCA for participation in SCA activities

-it was noted by Mistress Marian the Kingdom Seneschal that the legal age for SCA participation without parental supervision was 18.

-This opened discussion with regards to the SCA’s policy for minors in attendance at events.

-It was reaffirmed that, as per the policy, all organized activities at events will require 2 adults, unrelated by blood or relationship, to be present.

-It was also reaffirmed that the policies with regards to Minor attendance and participation at events is in the new Seneschal’s Handbook

-It was noted that this policy applies to all activities wherein minor are in attendance

-A question was raised to define the term “organized”

- It was noted that this applies to any activity that is planned as part of the event (with event staff being allocated to run the event or as advertised as part of event activities)
- It was noted that this policy had been created to assist the SCA in dealing with current legal issues faced by the organization, including lawsuits that have been brought forward in the United States.
- It was noted that event organizers and officers should err on the side of caution when planning for this policy “if there is the possibility of doubt, just don’t”.
- The comment was made that at activities involving children parents should be present
- The rebuttal was made that specifically for minors who were teenagers the presence of a parent was not always desired.
- A question was raised with regards to reporting: is it necessary to note who the “other adult” is who is assisting with supervisory duties? The answer was “no”.
- A question was asked with regards to situations where minors were running the activities in question.
- The response was to note that if common sense should be the groundrule: if there is **any** doubt, ensure the presence of two adults at all times.

There being no other speakers or topics raised, the moot was adjourned with thanks from the Lawspeaker for everyone’s participation and a note that the next moot would take place at Feast of the Hare in the canton of Caldrithig in November.