Officer reports

Exchequer: We have money. Getting Mikjall up to speed, helping with year end report. Taking Exchequer course at Birka, ready by March. Getting things scanned for Kingdom review.

Webminister: New European dance page. Thyra has added content. Need content for MoL and Rapier Marshal pages. Send pics from recent events! Working on search engine optimization. Documenting web site configuration for future Webministers. Putting together class for other Webministers about useful plugins. Helped Bergental with their web site.

Youth: Not much going on. Did activities at BBM/Bergental Yule. Fortune did activities at Quintavia Yule. Mostly adults participated.

Chamberlain: Has inventory list, still needs key to trailer. Will replace lock, distribute new keys to those who need them. Boxes were not labeled during inventory as to which is which. Need to do that once the weather is warm. Will schedule a day in late March for that. Murdoch to be deputy. If house gets bought, can move trailer to their house, and both will have access. If people want inventory, contact Elena so that she can sign it out in the logbook. High output stove at Aleksei's to keep rubber hoses from getting eaten during winter.

MoAS: Scroll blank making workshop rescheduled due to weather. Blanks will be given to Nest at Birka. Scribal get together at Birka.

Herald: Helped people with name/arms at Yule. Will do heraldry workshop this month at WPI second Tuesday of Feb. If you need help in general, let her know.

Chronicler: Moving done, planning to finally put out a Milestone. Aleksei will be deputy. After discussion with Perronnelle and Mathias, meeting minutes will be posted on the web site and email list for timely distribution, as well as in the *Milestone*.

Knight Marshal: Heavy list practices continuing. Hosting regional this month and next month for Bergental because their site is busy.

Dance: Practices going well. At last practice we danced medieval dances to modern music.

Fencing: Practices continue. Light attendance on Tuesdays. May cancel unless there's interest.

Seneschal: Sent end of year report with Aleksei's help. Wrote in people for awards. Keep writing people in, including new Kingdom awards. Posted draft of by-law revisions. Next meeting: Sun, Feb 14, 12-2, Camelot.

Darostur: Preparing for Simon Gwyn's vigil.

Proposed by-law changes

Summary:

- 1. Autocrats are officers from the time their events is accepted until the event is completed. Same as EK law.
- 2. Out-of-Shire officers allowed except for Seneschal and Exchequer. Aleksei proposes that if one is a Greater Officer in one group, they can't be a Greater Officer in another group.
- 3. Allow non-US residents to send in non-paid preregistration. Aleksei proposes putting new officer election schedule that we informally agreed on into the by-laws to make it official, and that all officers should be elected rather than appointed.

Will vote on this at the next meeting. Additional suggestions welcome. Email Matthias with suggestions.

Old business

Yule: 25 adults, 6 kids, made a little money. Mosaic was able to host us on very short notice at no charge. Want to make donation anyway.

Embroiderer's Schola, Feb 20: Well underway. Has classes, would like more. Simona will run gate. Will be emailing request for additional help.

Hafla, March 5: Looking for performers and short classes to run in between. Contract signed. Will call site this week to confirm. Merchants set. Diabolis and Henna Chick are coming. Elvira has been out of contact, don't know about appetizers. Mathias can fill in for apps if needed. Aleksei will help Elena in the kitchen. Toi likely not attending due to Bergental Novice Schola conflict. Will email to seek setup and teardown volunteers.

Coronation, April 9: Sending check for deposit to reserve site. Working on contract. Scheduling another walkthrough to measure hall, figure out setup site setup. Cassandra food coordinator. Everything must be made ahead of time due to no kitchen. Show off as many of the Shire's cooks as we can. Will have cookbook available to sell as fundraiser, funds split between Shire and royal travel fund. Tight food budget, coordinate with Cassandra and Aleksei. Teresa doing gate. Perronnelle setup and decoration (Friday day). Have hall Fri-Sun. Corwin cleanup. Countess Violante royal liason. Murdoch security. Andreiko parking. FB group for staff, people with specific jobs only to reduce clutter. Fortune to come up with list of local hotels and restaurants for web site. Group rate? Violante sponsoring heraldic tournament. 3 prizes: personal, household, local. Will visit royals to review setup, their needs, and food preferences. Go to Kenric and Avelina's house, Skype in Brennan and C. Cleanup Sunday morning. Changing rooms in upper galleries, need curtains. Galleries across from kitchen are royal rooms. Constance will laminate signs for this and future events.

Feast of St. John Baptiste: Perhaps merge SJB with Sommer Draw due to date conflict. Maybe combine our Defender tourneys with their champion tourneys if they're OK with that and current Defenders can attend. Brew U would have to move since Sommer Draw takes place at a dry site. Has contract for our site from last year but not mailing it until we know if we're merging.

New business

Scribal Schola, May 21, Camelot. Can move if conflict with K&Q Archery. Could run same weekend as K&Q Archery if there's a conflict.

K&Q Archery, late May/early June. Waiting to hear from royals when it would fit in their schedule. Bid due Feb 1. Bolton Fairgrounds or Hazel Grove.

K&Q Equestrian. Earliest Aug 27, possibly Sept. There is another bid to host the event. Even if we don't host the championship the equestrian folks would like us to run an event anyway. Rosina willing to autocrat, same as last year. Hazel Grove checking on dates. Bolton may be available in Sept, same price.

Simply Allegorical? Poke Fortune and Simona.

Announcements: Birka, help Andreiko run tourneys, and Kate the Wicked run security.