

Clan Cunningham International

Minutes of the Council Meeting October 15th, 2017

Call to order at 3:08 PM EST by CCI President Kelly Cunningham

Council Members present are indicated in bold RED font:

Kelly Cunningham (President), **Alex Cunningham** (Vice-President & Regional Secretary), **David Pickens** (Secretary/Treasurer), **Patricia Paisley** (Membership Director), **Sheryl Cunningham** (Newsletter Editor), **Amy Dean** (Historian), **Barbara Ball** (Genealogist), **Jerry Lester** (Webmaster), **Bartley Payne** (Lieutenant to the Chief), Phil Cunningham (NZ Regional Director), **Nancy Cunningham** (Canadian Regional Director)

A quorum was present for the meeting.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report: David Pickens

- Bank balance - \$4952.27
- PayPal balance - \$ 951.47
- David reports he just received the renewal for the Highlander ad.
- Will get with Nancy Cunningham to reimburse her for the conference she attended representing the clan and for the CASSAC membership.

Membership Report: Pat Paisley

Pat reports 5 new members and 3 renewals received - 140 total family memberships

Webmaster's Report: Jerry Lester

- Jerry reports the website is now updated and current with information
- Jerry made the motion to add the position of Lieutenant to the Chief to the Governing Council and the Executive Committee which requires amending sections 7:01 & 8:01 of our by-laws. Motion was seconded and the motion carried. Jerry will update the by-laws and this will require a vote at the next Triennial Meeting in 2019.

Newsletter Editor's Report: Sheryl Cunningham

- Sheryl states the next newsletter is near completing and she and David will have it out probably in 2-3 weeks. Will include articles on the scholarship fund and the 2019 Triennial Meeting in Scotland with specific updates on the trip as to activities. The dates are not yet confirmed but will either be the week of June 10th or 17th in 2019. She still has to talk to William Cunningham of Caprington and Sir John Cuninghame.
- 2019 TRIP TO SCOTLSND UPDATE – she has been in contact with Alistair Cunningham in Scotland who had a group stay at the Fenwick Hotel in Kilmarnock and he reported it is a very nice and appropriate venue for our Triennial Gathering host hotel.

Genealogist Report: Barbara Ball

- Needs newsletter to have article on recreating the genealogy records.
- Needs officers to set the pace and send in their own genealogies now. Need to restrict it to Cunningham line lonely.

Historian Report: Amy Dean

- Due to her illness and recent surgery, has not been doing much the last 2 months but will be back at it soon.

Lieutenant to the Chief – Bartley Payne

- Bartley has not talked to Sir John this month so has nothing to report at this time.

Vice – President & Regional Secretary's Report: Alex Cunningham

- Recently was invited to and attended an event at Gartmore House (Scotland) to represent Clan Cunningham International for the commemoration of a plaque to honor Don Roberto Cunninghame Grahame. Robin Cunninghame Graham was present for this event as well as the Duke of Montrose.

President's Report – Kelly Cunningham

- Kelly reports that the fires in California and her work has kept her from doing much but has attended some games which will be reported in the newsletter.
- A motion was made and seconded to raise our dues from \$20 to \$25 effective 01/01/2018 and \$3 of the increase will go to fund our new Educational Scholarship Fund (ESF) and \$2 will go to the General Operating Fund. Motion carried. An article will be in the next newsletter to explain this and to point out we have never increased dues since formation in 2002 and that most of this is to fund the ESF.
- Motion was made and seconded to make Alastair Cunningham (Scotland) and Honorary Member in recognition of all his work to assist Cunninghams on trips to Scotland and for his assistance on the 2019 trip to Scotland.

Next Council Meeting: November 19th at 3:00 PM EST

Meeting Adjourned: 3:51 PM EST

Respectfully Submitted by David Pickens, CCI Secretary-Treasurer