

# *Clan Cunningham International*

## *Minutes of Council Meeting on March 23, 2014*

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

Council Members present are indicated in bold blue font:

**Kelly Cunningham** (President), Steve Cunningham (VP), **David Pickens** (Secretary/Treasurer), **Patricia Paisley** (Membership Director), **Alex Cunningham** (Regional Secretary), **Sheryl Cunningham** (Genealogist), **Amy Dean** (Historian), Barbara Ball (Newsletter Editor), Bartley Payne (Regional Director to Cunningham's in Uniform), **Jerry Lester** (Webmaster), Phil Cunningham (NZ Regional Director), Robert Cunningham (Mid America Regional Director), **Nancy Cunningham** (Canadian Regional Director), **Dr. Bill Cunningham** (Northeast USA Regional Director), Catherine Cary (Legal Advisor to the President).

- A quorum was present

### **Secretary-Treasurer Report - David Pickens**

- Motion was made, seconded and approved of report from last meeting of February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2014
- David will present a full quarterly financial report at the next meeting.

### **Membership Report - Pat Paisley**

- we have 9 renewals and 2 new members – we presently have 134 active members

### **Regional Secretary Report – Alex Cunningham (Scotland)**

- Alex reports that there he will have access to a bus for hire if needed to transport those of us going to the Bannockburn in June.
- Sheryl has some questions on availability of the ticket packages for Bannockburn – Alex will see what he can find out.

### **Newsletter Editor's Report - Barbara Ball**

- Barbara sent the report that the newsletter did go out and collecting info for the next newsletter. David reports he has reviews for 2 books that have come out with Cunningham interest – they are historical fiction. . David reports he has sent the newsletter via email twice but questions whether it has gone out due to computer issues. He used Outlook for our newsletter gmail account but has other Internet Explorer issues he just found out earlier today. David and Barb need to get together as she has volunteered to send it out herself.

### **Webmaster's Report - Jerry Lester**

- No major updates to report.

### **Genealogist's Report - Sheryl Cunningham**

- Sheryl reports she received genealogy info on two new members.
- There was discussion on printing direct line genealogy of new members that submit the data as well as the names of the new members. It was decided that we will list the new members in the newsletter and direct line genealogies as they are received.
- It was decided to collect information on the various DNA projects and settle on one to promote through the clan so that for those interested, we would all be on the "same page". Kelly, Barbara and Bartley (per David) have experience in this field and will get a recommendation to the Council at some date in the near future.

### **Historian's Report - Amy Dean**

- Amy reports she has organized most of our Council minutes and is missing minutes for 2-24-13 and the 2013 Triennial Meeting. Jerry stated he thought those were on the website and to check there first. David, Steve and Doc Bill believe they may have them too.

### **President's Report - Kelly Cunningham**

- Kelly stated that the games season is no started and she has been receiving congratulations from various other clan representatives about Clan Cunningham getting a chief.
- Reports the Clan Boyd president is looking forward to seeing Clan Cunningham represented at Bannockburn and encouraged us to come by for a visit.
- Kelly will be heading to Hawaii soon to represent the clan at those games due to a generous donation of free access for lodging (a condo) donated for her use.
- The Glencairn glasses as presents for our past officers are on back order.
- If we go to Scotland in 2016 for our Triennial Meeting as hoped, we have a volunteer (Marcus Heninburg) to be our official videographer/photographer.
- Wants input for organizing a committee to start the Cunningham Travel Guide Volume 2 – Sites in Ireland. She has a few people in mind for this.

### **New Business:**

- 501C3 status – David has been in touch with Catherine Cary (she is busy finishing her doctoral thesis) and we need to first get the temporary Non-Profit status reinstated before IRS will act on our application (apparently) – Doc Bill has prepared part of this and David will send it to IRS. David wants to talk to Sue McIntosh who is president of COSCA since that organization is in exactly the same situation.
- Glencairn Aisle – no update
- The Loon Mountain Games in New Hampshire (one of the oldest and largest games in the USA) is going to build a memorial cairn to honor the clans. There will be an appropriate brass plaque with the clan organization names listed. The cost per clan is \$250 and \$50 has already been donated leaving a balance of \$200. Dr. Bill Cunningham (NE Regional Representative). The date to get money in to be included is 4-1-14. There was much discussion as to whether the organization to participate. It was voted on and passed to make a loan to the NE Region through Doc Bill which is to be repaid my 12-31-14.
- Doc Bill states that anyone wanting to have CD's to sell of our History Book or Travel Guide (\$15/CD) at a clan tent just needs to contact Bill and he will make copies for free and will mail them to you.
- We are still hoping for a really good picture of Sir John Cuninghame – Chief of Clan Cunningham and the name, Cunningham, for use. David will work on this.
- There was a lot of discussion with Alex to find the best time for meetings and it was decided to leave it at the time we are starting meetings (3 PM EST) fro now.

Next Council Meeting May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 3:00PM EST - **REMEMBER THE MEETING TIME**

Meeting Adjourned at 4:20PM EST

- Respectfully submitted by David Pickens, Secretary-Treasurer