



MENTOR of ARISIA



Newsletter of Arisia, Incorporated, 1 Kendall Sq, Suite 322, Cambridge, MA 02139

Arisia Annual Business Meeting
August 12, 1990

Chair: Mary Robison
Notes: Frances Selkirk

Mary - We have filled out the new form for the IRS. Matt will call Monday, and if they haven't received it, he will hand deliver it. We hope to have non-profit status by end of next week.

REPORTS

Treasurer -

We have \$1000 in the bank.

We have a debt of \$4900.

Tom resigns as ConCom Treasurer.

Jim waives reimbursement for his last Arisia expenditure - \$125.

Tom says promissory notes should be issued, not bonds. The procedures are laid out in standard corporate law. (Noted: ExecBoard may authorize expenditures of up to \$300. More must be authorized by corporate vote.)

Joe moves that President and Treasurer be authorized to issue promissory notes.

Marshall amends that to any two members of the ExecBoard. Amendment accepted as friendly.

Motion passes, none opposed.

By-Laws Committee -

Committee has met three times. They have designed a proposal to eliminate from the Articles things that they do not think should be there, and interim amendments to the By-Laws to shift them into the By-Laws. A draft of the proposed By-Laws should be ready for next meeting.

(Procedure for changing the articles of incorporation is reviewed - Joe asks for signatures. It is noted that our procedures for amending Articles are more restrictive than those required by state law.)

In the opinion of the Committee, the Articles of Incorporation should contain:

Those items required by the state

Those items the state allows to expand powers of the Corporation.

Those items required by the IRS to achieve desired tax status.

Classes of membership will be moved to By-Laws.

Items limiting the liability of officers will be added.

Rights and powers of Corporation will be expanded (How is not explained.)

Procedures for removal of officers will be moved to By-Laws.

Sections on conflict of interest will be moved to By-Laws.

In order for these items to be considered next meeting:

There must be a motion to consider them made at this meeting. 3/4 of membership must be present next meeting.

2/3 must support changes for them to pass.

The Committee has been considering a measure to make meetings less than once a month. The general opinion of those present is that this would be a bad idea.

Kim suggests that new documents outline the distinction between Committee and Corporate business.

Pat feels definition of 'financial' should be narrower.

Cris says corporation should be able to override Committee decisions if necessary.

ELECTIONS

Nominations are read.

Clerk - Joe Ross
Tres. - Marshall Ellis
V.P. - Rob Bazemore
Pres. - Cris Shuldiner
Mary Robison

Just as election is about to start, Pat, saying that he has been asked to run for something, announces write-in candidacy for President.

Presidential election is by secret ballot. Kim counts votes with Stacy as a witness.

Mary - 10
Cris - 9
Pat - 5

Vote called on other offices.

Vice President:

Treasurer:

Clerk:

Rob Bazemore - 17
Jeff Jordan - 1
Abstentions - 7

Marshall Ellis - 19
Abstentions - 6

Joseph Ross - 15
Cris Shuldiner - 1
Abstentions - 9

Marshall says he is willing to be Convention Treasurer. Matt accepts him in this post.

Matt wants permission to do mailing. The mailing he proposes would go to 2,750 people. It would be printed on two 11x17 sheets, giving us eight pages. The cost for 3000 would be:

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|---------------------------|-------|-----------|------|
| printing | \$413 | extra 500 | \$47 |
| postage | \$300 | | |
| bundling, mailing 3rd cl. | \$60 | | |
| labels & printer ribbon | \$60 | | |

The sorting of our mailing list will be free by the US Post Office.

Total \$833

We have Net 30 terms with printer.

Current paying membership - 120, about 1/2 of which we acquired at last con.

Last year we got members:

275 from final mailing

80 from worldcon

150 from first mailing

45 ?

Matt wants mailing to list corp. and comm. meetings.

Matt moves that July motion about progress report be rescinded (?) and permission be granted to send out con report.

Tom approves of mailing to gain members.

Frances feels that mailing will be effective at correcting misinformation about us, but should depend on approval of people owed money by convention. She gives her own.

Jim feels that with channel 11 benefit, we will get about 1 1/2 hours of free advertising. He thinks we should break mailing in half, and let less likely prospects wait until we have more money.

Some discussion of expenses. Mailing will go to Arisia attendees, old and new, and people on our mailing lists from CT, RI, MA, NH, VT, ME & NY. Assuming 3% response rate, mailing should bring in \$2000.

Spenser feels timing is premature. Mailing should be closer to con so people don't procrastinate and lose it.

Tom says it will cost 5-10% more to mail in two parts.

Jamie says we should break it up anyway, if we don't have the cash.

Jim suggest we not send mailing to attendees.

Matt says that's part of the point - it's a progress report.

Cris, Matt & Kim give approval to mailing & will not object to delay in repayment from Arisia.

Bogus addresses from last year have been cleaned out.

Diana says we need to get Art Show Huckster rates to attendees.

Johnna suggests a netnews posting.

Tom moves to end debate, seconded, passed.

4:07 Recess to look at rough of mailing.

4:15 Meeting called to order.

Matt moves that we authorize a mass mailing, as described previously.

Spenser asks when - Matt says it will go to mailing house week of 8/26.

Passes - 22 in favor

1 opposed.

Matt moves we print up an additional \$500 for \$47.

Jeff points out this many could be copied by members for free.

Dana asks minimum needed for mailing? - 400

Jenny also thinks we can do it free.

Stacy says we should print them - save copying for emergencies.

Motion passes 15 to 2.

Motion to hold October business meeting at NJAC (Oct. 21) at 2:00.

Passes 11 to 6.

Spenser brings up Galactic Savings Bond proposal.

Issues:

What interest rate

Do we want uniformity of interest rate

Partial redemption for membership

A promissory note needs a set payment date, and interest rate can vary from note to note. Spenser's proposal would guarantee an interest rate and leave payment date largely up to corporation.

Promissory notes are negotiable and could be bought by speculators.

It is decided that people will need to review proposal. Marshall will also write up a piece on differences in schemes.

Motion to table - passed.

Matt moves to set rates for children 12 and under at \$10 (kids in tow are free).

Stacey proposes \$15

Vi thinks \$15 is too much of an increase over \$5 for one year.

Motion passes 14 to 1

Vi moves that parents willing to donate 6 hours or more time to children's room should get babysitting at \$2 discount.

Matt amends to complimentary child membership. Amendment accepted as friendly.

Motion passes 14 to 0

Joe moves that we ratify and confirm all acts of the Corporation over the last year.

Motion passes by acclamation.

Motion to adjourn.

Marshall announces he will have a new budget by November.

Motion passes with one opposed.

Motion to table - passed.

NOTICE

At the corporate meeting to be held on Sunday, 16 September 1990, there will be a vote on amending the corporate Articles of Organization. The proposed amendments are included with this Newsletter. Our present Articles of Organization require that, in order to pass, an amendment receive a 3/4 majority with 50% of the general membership voting. In addition, state law requires that an amendment receive the votes of two-thirds of all voting members. This means that not voting is the same as voting no. Therefore, if you are a voting member and cannot attend the meeting, **PLEASE** send in an absentee ballot.

At the September corporate meeting, there will also be votes on proposed amendments to the bylaws. The proposed amendments, complete with the first report of the Bylaws Committee, are included with this Newsletter. Amendments to the bylaws require a vote of 2/3 majority with 25% of the general membership voting.

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The new Clerk apologizes for the compressed type in the minutes, but this mailing is a particularly large one, and I'm trying to keep the number of pages down. Next month's minutes will be in larger type.

WARNING!

Christine Ivy, Holly Love, and Beth Gallagher have missed two or more meetings in a row, and must attend the next meeting in order to retain status as General (voting) members. Dues were due by 1 September. Those who have not paid by the beginning of the September meeting will be dropped from membership and will be unable to vote.

Arisia Officers

President: Mary Robison, 23 Dartmouth Street, So. Hadley, MA, 01075, 413/532-6230

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--- MEETING ATTENDANCE ---

"N" by your name means that you are not listed as a Corporate member. "RS" means that you are listed as a "Red Shirt" (non-voting) member. The Clerk would appreciate any corrections or clarifications.

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| RS | John C. Abbe | Mar | | May | | | | |
| | Robert Bazemore | Mar | | May | Jun | Jul | | |
| | James Belfiore, Jr. | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | |
| RS | Anne Code | | | | | | Aug | |
| | Heather Coon | Mar | | May | Jun | | Aug | |
| N | Mike DiGenio | | | | | Jul | | |
| | Jenny Drysdale | | | May | Jun | | Aug | |
| | Donna Dube | Mar | Apr | | Jun | | Aug | |
| | Marshall Ellis | Mar | Apr | May | | | Aug | |
| | Kevin Fallon | | | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | |
| | Dana Farmer | Mar | | May | | | Aug | |
| | Tom Fish | Mar | | May | | | Aug | |
| | Diana Fish | Mar | | May | | | Aug | |
| | Beth Gallagher | Mar | | May | Jun | | | |
| | Stacy Goldstein | Mar | | | | | Aug | |
| | Christine Ivey | Mar | | May | | | | |
| | Jeff Jordan | Mar | Apr | | Jun | Jul | Aug | |
| N | Allen Kent | | | | | Jul | | |
| | Johnna Klukas | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | |
| | Ben Levy | | Apr | | Jun | Jul | Aug | |
| | Holly Love | | | May | Jun | | | |
| | Spencer Love | | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | |
| | Patrick McCormack | Mar | Apr | | | Jul | Aug | |
| RS | Roberta Moore | Mar | | | | | | |
| | Patricia M. Newcomb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | |
| | Sheila Oranch | Mar | Apr | | Jun | Jul | | |
| RS | James O'Keefe | | | | | | Aug | |
| RS | Chris Palmer | Mar | | | | | | |
| | Tova Pechenick | Mar | Apr | May | | Jul | Aug | |
| RS | Mark Pirttiaho | Mar | | May | | | | |
| | Jim Roberts | | Apr | | | | Aug | |
| | Mary Robison | Mar | | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | |
| RS | Dan Prima | | | | | | Aug | |
| | Joseph Ross | | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | |
| N | Anita Raj | | | | | | Aug | |
| | Matthew Saroff | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | | Aug | |
| | Frances Selkirk | Mar | Apr | May | | Jul | Aug | |
| | Paul Selkirk | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | |
| | Cris Shuldiner | Mar | Apr | | Jun | Jul | Aug | |
| RS | Dave Turnquist | Mar | Apr | | | | | |
| | Kimberly Van Auken | Mar | Apr | | | Jul | Aug | |
| N | Pat Vandenburg | | | | | Jul | | |
| | LuAnn Vitalis | Mar | Apr | | Jun | Jul | | |
| RS | Viola Wardell | | | | | | Aug | |

ABSENTEE BALLOT
MEETING OF 16 SEPTEMBER

1. Proposed Amendments to the Articles of Organization of Arisia, Incorporated:

Yes _____

No _____

2. Proposed Amendment to Article II of Bylaws adding Section AA:

Yes _____

No _____

3. Proposed Amendment to Bylaws adding Article VIII:

Yes _____

No _____

Please mail this Absentee ballot to the president or to the clerk in time to arrive prior to the meeting. A photocopy is acceptable.

Signature _____

Print name _____

Upcoming Events

16 September, Sunday -- 4:00 P.M. Corporate meeting, Vista Hotel, Waltham, 290-5600 -- See map.

19-21 October, Friday - Sunday -- NotJustAnotherCon 6, Campus Center, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA.

21 October, Sunday -- 2:00 P.M. Corporate meeting, Campus Center, University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

Please notify the Clerk of upcoming events to go into this calendar.

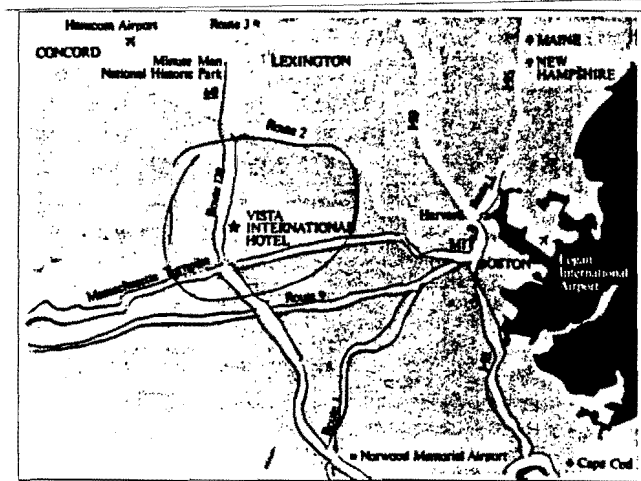
DIRECTIONS TO VISTA HOTEL

From Route 128

From North or South, take Exit 27A.

Hotel is on Right after exit.

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