



MENTOR of ARISIA #16



Newsletter of Arisia, Incorporated
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EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING 13 DECEMBER 1991

The meeting was called to order at the MIT Student Center at 7:30 PM by president Patrick McCormack. Present: P. McCormack, J. Jordan, J. Ross, R. Bazemore.

Vice President -- SCUM has offered \$350.00 for the art show lighting, but the money will not be available until after the con. The art panel project is going well.

Merchandizing is getting straightened out on an ad hoc basis pending the appointment of a committee.

Clerk -- Has investigated about the form needed to change our corporate address. The filing fee is \$10.00. After discussion, it was on motion

VOTED: To change the principal office of the corporation to:

185A Fairmount Avenue
Hyde Park, MA 02136

It was noted that a Boston address was useful in order to have access to services provided by various Boston-based groups.

The clerk has also spoken with Don Eastlake, who has been serving on the Worldcon Mark and Registration Committee, to ascertain definitely what is necessary to protect our service mark.

Concomm 92 (Jeff reporting for Kim) -- As of this past Monday, Membership stood at about 500 paid and about 150-200 comp. Pre-reg packets have been mailed, as well as about 900 pieces to past con attendees. According to Marshall, we have the money on hand to run the convention.

Concomm 93 -- Rob has been checking into possible hotels for Arisia 93.

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM.

A. Joseph Ross
Clerk

CORPORATE MEETING 13 DECEMBER 1991

The meeting was called to order at the MIT Student Center at 8:12 PM by president Patrick McCormack. The minutes were accepted as submitted.

Reports

President -- Appointed the following to the Long-Range Planning Committee:

Sheila Oranch, Chair
Robert Bazemore
Debbie Smith
Pat Vandenberg
Mike DiGenio

After discussion, it was on motion:

VOTED: To approve the president's appointments to the Long-Range Planning Committee.

Pat is still looking for volunteers for the Merchandising Committee.

Vice President -- There is a tentative agreement with SCUM on sale of the art show lighting. [See Exec Board minutes above for details.]

Jim Belfiore and Debbie Smith have been working on straightening out merchandising, pending the appointment of a Merchandising Committee.

Clerk -- Reported on what was necessary in order to protect our rights to our service mark. In short, every item which emanates from us bearing the word "Arisia" ought to contain a reasonably prominent notice of our claim to the service mark, either by the statement "Arisia is a service mark of Arisia, Incorporated" or by the letters "sm," usually as a superscript. We don't have to say Registered service mark. The difference between a service mark and a trade mark is that a service mark is used for services provided, whereas a trade mark is used for manufactured goods. For us, it is a service mark because the running of a convention is a service, and the merchandise that we sell is an incidental promotion of the service that we provide.

Treasurer -- Not here.

Concomm 92 -- (Jeff reporting for Kim) See Exec Board minutes.

Concomm 93 -- See Exec. Board Minutes. Rob is looking for volunteers for con treasurer and marketing.

Unfinished business

The motion to amend Section 3.4 (a) of the bylaws by striking the words "two weeks" and substituting "eighteen days" was tabled to this meeting from the prior meeting. Since there were not enough members present to pass an amendment to the bylaws, it was on motion VOTED: To postpone consideration of this motion until the next meeting.

New Business

A discussion was held concerning continuing to hold meetings in Amherst.

It was moved no longer to hold meetings in the Amherst area on a regular basis. It was then VOTED: To table the motion to the next meeting.

It was moved to change the location of the March meeting to MIT. It was then VOTED: To table the motion to the next meeting.

A discussion was then held concerning the continued holding of Friday meetings in view of tonight's low turnout. It was agreed that the matter would be discussed again after the next Friday meeting.

Announcements

Pat: Opening ceremonies is looking to borrow a skateboard and a mannequin head.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

A. Joseph Ross
Clerk

Meeting Attendance

The following persons are recorded as having attended the meeting (*=Non-member):

Robert Bazemore, Mike DigGenio, Donna Dube, Jeff Jordan, Allan Kent, Spencer Love, Patrick McCormack, Sheila Oranch, Mark Pirttiaho, Joseph Ross, Pat Vandenberg, David Fassett*

POST-MEETING TREASURER'S REPORT

This report was received by the clerk after the meeting. Marshall was unable to attend due to illness. Account balances were as follows:

New World Bank: \$572.00
Corporate Checking: \$3,980.00
Con Account: \$100.00

Marshall knows of at least \$1,000.00 on hand but not in banks. Money is slowing down again, and probably not much more will come in before the con.

People who sign checks should let the treasurer know in advance if writing a check for a sizeable amount of money, so that he can see that the money is in the account. A check written recently bounced because this wasn't done and the transfer of money didn't clear in time.

Marshall will be resigning as treasurer, effective with the February corporate meeting. This means that the nominations process will begin with the January meeting, so that a new treasurer can be elected in February.

Corporate Officers

President: Patrick McCormack, 185A Fairmount Avenue, Hyde Park, MA 02136, 617/361-1856

Vice President: Jeff Jordan, 27 Grassmere Road, Hyde Park, MA 02136, 617/364-1531

Treasurer: Marshall Ellis, RR 1, Box 211, Deerfield, MA 01342, 413/774-5874

Clerk: Joseph Ross, 648 Washington Street, Brookline, MA 02146 H:617/734-7372 W:617/367-0468

NOTICE OF MEMBERSHIP TRANSFERS

The following General Members will automatically be transferred to Red Shirt if they do not attend the next corporate meeting: James Belfiore, David Cantor, Beth Gallagher, Patricia Newcomb. In accordance with Section 1.2 of the Bylaws, an automatic transfer may be waived by the Membership for cause, which cause must be stated in the minutes.

It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to check your name off on the attendance list in order to be counted as attending a meeting.

NOTICE OF BYLAW AMENDMENT

The following proposed amendment to the Bylaws will be considered at the next meeting:

Moved to amend Section 3.4 (a) of the bylaws by striking the words "two weeks" and substituting "eighteen days".

This amendment was proposed by the clerk in order to increase the time interval between the submission of nominations for office and the deadline for mailing of Mentor.

This amendment has been postponed repeatedly because it is necessary to have 50% of the corporate membership voting on an amendment to the bylaws. Members are reminded that proxy voting is now permitted. If you are not going to attend the meeting, please give a written proxy to any corporate member who will be attending (No more than two proxies may be held by any one person.). See Section 2.8 of the bylaws for further details.

Other Notices

Marshall has announced his resignation, effective at the February corporate meeting, at which an election will be held to fill the vacancy. Any general member may nominate himself or herself at the meeting or up to two weeks before the February meeting by notifying the clerk (This deadline will change to eighteen days if the bylaw amendment passes.). Anyone who so notifies the clerk may also have a campaign statement (up to 100) words published in the next Mentor. Statements may be submitted in writing or in ASCII format, 360K 5-1/4" disk or posted to the Arisia BBS. (For other word processing formats, check with the clerk.)

Two motions were tabled to the January meeting which would have the effect of ending the policy of holding meetings regularly in the Amherst area and changing the March meeting, now scheduled for Amherst, to the Boston area. Anyone interested in this issue should make sure to attend the January meeting or send a proxy.

'T WAS THE NIGHT BEFORE ARISIA

'Twas the night before ARISIA, when all through Bean Town
Not a creature was sleeping, they were up and aroun'

The techies were rushing to hang all the lights,
Climbing their ladders to incredible heights;

Hotel staffers were watching with awe in their eyes,
While our team of professionals proved they were wise;

With Jeff in his tech vest, with radio and hat,
Grinning ear to ear like the cheshire cat;

When down in Logistics there arose such a clatter,
He ran from the ballroom to see what was the matter;

"The projectors don't work, shouted Films in frustration,
"The computers are down, There goes registration;"

For space they were vying, Ops and Logistics,
Till Kevin made use of his store of ballistics;

When what to my wondering eyes should appear,
It was a Checker Taxi cab, the Guest of Honor was here;

When the little old driver hit the curb with a thunk,
It was good that the guest, on the plane, had got drunk;

Faster than lightning the con chair she came,
She screamed and she cursed each department by name;

"Now Programming, Events, Logistics and Ops,
Its time to get started, you great bunch of flops"

To the top of the ladder, to the top of the stair,
Set that one up here, set this one up there;

The hotel was engulfed in chaos and gloom,
Programming retreated into the Green Room;

Up to my hotel room I dashed for my notes,
What's the use then I thought, I'm working with goats;

And then in a crackling I heard on my radio,
The ballroom was done, it was ready to go;

As I drew in a breath and was turning around,
Up the stairs came Kimberly, with a great bound;

She was covered in white from her head to her toe,
What else could go wrong, it was starting to snow;

A box full of paper work she flung on the floor,
And screamed rather loudly, "I can't take anymore!"

Her eyes they were glazed, her braces they sparkled,
Her nose it was red, her speech was quite garbled;

A look at her face revealed not a smile,
Someone yelled "Lighten up", she replied "Not my style!"

"On the street the art panels are still stacked in the vans,
Get me some help, What use are these fans?"

The Gofer head popped out of the hole with a leer,
"Who's the next sucker? I mean volunteer!"

Down at the pool, someone dropped in dry ice,
What's the problem I thought, the fog is quite nice;

Call Hotel Security? Police? Nine One One?
No, Give them to Joellll, Let him have some fun;

He said not a word, but went straight to his work,
Tracked down the offender, and strangled the jerk;

The move in was finished, the hour was late,
Anything left for tonight, would just have to wait;

As set up slowed down, the hotel became still,
We all met in the Green Room, to drink (that awful) yuppie swill;

Despite all the problems, I'm willing to bet,
Still someone will ask, "ARE WE HAVING FUN YET?".

Conceived and written by Donna M. Dube with help from Hunter, Ann Catelli, Jim (Riker) Belfiore, Pat (Pim) Newcomb, Beth Gallagher, Kim (The con chair) Van Auken, Heather Coon, Johnna Klukas, Pat (El Supremo) McCormack, and the Beasts, Midnight and Sasha.

Upcoming Events

3 - 5 January, Friday thru Sunday -- Arisia 92 at Park Plaza Hotel,
Boston

11 January, Saturday -- Noon - 4:00 PM Con debriefing at MIT Student
Center.

19 January, Sunday -- 3:00 PM Corporate Meeting at MIT Student Center.
Executive Board will meet at 2:00 PM.

14-16 February, Friday thru Sunday -- Boskone 29 at Marriott and
Sheraton Hotels, Springfield.

21 February, Friday 8:00 PM Corporate Meeting at MIT Student Center.
Executive Board will meet at 7:00 PM.

15 March, Sunday -- 3:00 PM Corporate Meeting at UMass Campus Center,
Amherst. Executive Board will meet at 2:00 PM.

12 April Sunday -- 3:00 PM Corporate Meeting at MIT Student Center.
Executive Board will meet at 2:00 PM.

*For Up-To-Date Information by computer/modem, call the Arisia BBS:
617/364-1576.*

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

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