



# MENTOR OF ARISIA

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## EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING JULY 18, 1993

The meeting was called to order at by the president, Joe Ross at 1:15 p.m.

**In Attendance:** Joe Ross, President; Heather Coon, Vice-President; Rob Bazemore, Con Chair 93; Ed Dooley, Interim Clerk, also present Mike DiGenio, George Flynn, Walter Kahn, 'Zanne Labonville, Rich Maynard, Nick Sheckman

The first item discussed was the pending appointment of the Convention Chairman for ARISIA '95. As the Executive Board wished to discuss the resumes of the candidates openly, it was decided that it was best to go into private session, especially since one of the candidates was present. As both Allan Kent, Corporate Treasurer; and Jim Belfiore, Con Chair '94; were unable to attend the Executive Board meeting due to family matters, the Convention Treasurer for ARISIA '94 was asked to give his input on the matter.

**VOTED:** For the Executive Board to go into private session with the convention treasurer to review the qualifications of the candidates for Convention Chairman of ARISIA '95.

The decision of who was the best qualified for the position of Con Chair for ARISIA '95 was a difficult one. Four candidates had presented their desire and qualification for the position. While the Executive Board was pleased at the interest of several persons in the position, the decision was compounded by the fact that each individual had similar strengths and weaknesses.

In discussing each candidate the following criteria emerged:

The Convention Chairman should be able to:

- o Pick people who will do what they say they will.
- o Cause volunteers to meet their commitments.
- o Make the process fun while doing so.
- o Insure that personalities, while diverse, will be able to work together.

Also, while discussing the candidates and the criteria, the question of just how public should the process of selection be. Should only the E-Board be aware of who has submitted their names as candidates? Did the other candidates have a right to know who they were up against? Was it necessary for the rest of the Corporate membership to know more than candidates had applied.

Again it was felt that, like any other election, it was a public matter, and that it should be public information to both the candidates and the membership. Especially as all candidates had been reasonably public in announcing the intent.

As such it was:

**VOTED:** To recommend that in the future it will be public information for both the candidates and the membership to know who is running for the appointment of Con Chair.

It was decided that each candidate who was present would be interviewed by the members of the Executive Board during a recess of the scheduled Corporate Meeting, and the appointment would be decided on the responses of the candidates.

Other Business discussed:

**VOTED:** To recommend to the membership to adopt the Life Membership proposal as proposed by the **Long Range Planning Committee**.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

The Corporate Meeting was recessed at 2:55 p.m. and the Executive Board met with each candidate present to discuss their strengths and weaknesses. Each candidate interviewed expressed their concerns that the Corporate activities and ConCom activities have slowly moved away from each other, and communication between the two needed work. Each candidate felt that Corporate and ConCom should work closer together, and a greater interaction of members was needed.

As put by one of the candidates, "Corporate members are the main voices in what is done at Con. If you want to see changes at Con, corporate (membership) is the way to go to do it."

Management Style was another area of close scrutiny. While one candidate agreed that their management style was laid back and strong on delegation--only stepping in if a problem arose. Another candidate was presented with the fact that they sometimes acted first and asked later which sometimes caused bad feelings. In response this candidate stated they would try to over come what ever negative feels that had been created, and would have to change their style of management to accommodate others, and that they were aware of the negative feelings and has since tried to make peace and work with those parties.

After interviewing the three candidates present, it was:

**VOTED:** To recommend to the membership that **Sheila Oranch** be appointed as Con Chair '95.

The Corporate Meeting was reconvened at 3:55 p.m.

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ConChair '95

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Articles, comments, and items for Mentor should be submitted to the Clerk at the address shown above.

For up-to-date information by computer/modem, call Arisia BBS: 617/364-1576 or 617/364-3343.

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## CORPORATE MEETING JULY 18, 1993

**ALL MEMBERS SHOULD REMEMBER IT IS THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO CHECK OFF THEIR NAME ON THE ATTENDANCE LIST SO THAT IT IS RECORDED AND COUNTED IN THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY UNJUSTLY JEOPARDIZE YOUR MEMBERSHIP STANDING.**

**In Attendance:** Ted Atwood (RS), Rob Bazemore, Zack Brown (RS), Heather Coon, Mike DiGenio, Ed Dooley, Mark Dulcey, Larry Dunne (RS), Donald Eastlake III, George Flynn, Walter Kahn, Sheri Kaplowitz, 'Zanne Labonville, Ben Levy, Rich Maynard (N), Patrick McCormack, Sheila Oranch, Joseph Ross, Nick Sheckman

**NOTE: Non-Corporate members are strongly urged to sign the attendance list. Non-members receive two complementary copies of MENTOR. Member's should encourage non-member's to sign in, especially if the clerk forgets to mention the above (editor's note: Okay, so I'm not perfect).**

The following member's would have been RED SHIRTED at the end of the July meeting if they did not attend: Kevin Fallon, Patrick McCormack, Chris Palmer.

As Pat was present at the meeting no transfer was necessary. A phone call was received during the meeting from Chris Palmer stating he was unable to attend due to a computer emergency and requested a waiver of the transfer to red shirt. The membership:

**VOTED:** To waive for one month the transfer of Chris Palmer to RED SHIRT.

Kevin Fallon was automatically RED SHIRTED at the end of the Corporate Meeting as he did not attend.

Ed Dooley reported that he had a proxy from Pat Vandenberg.

**VOTED:** To transfer Walter Kahn from RED SHIRT to GENERAL membership.

An addition to the minutes of the June meeting was made by the interim clerk, Ed Dooley. Ed had been in touch with Jeff Jordan. Jeff requests that anyone wishing him to post something to the bulletin board to either submit the information on disk, or to upload directly to the board and he would take it from there (the membership immediately understood that it was a timesaving matter and it was unfair to expect Jeff to do data entry).

**VOTED:** To approve the corrected minutes for June.

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

The President reported that the Treasurer had been called out of state due to the death of his mother. Joe Ross stated that he had a condolence card that he was sending on the behalf of the corporation and any member who wished to sign it, should. Joe also stated that the Executive Board would be meeting with the candidates during a recess of the corporate meeting to discuss their positions after the corporate reports (as reported in the minutes of the Executive Board meeting).

### **VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

The vice-president reported that she was resigning at the Corporate Meeting today. As it has long been known, Heather Coon, will be going west to Michigan to attend Graduate School, and as such would not be able to fulfill her duties as Vice-President, but intended to keep in touch with the organization in some fashion.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Not present due to death in family.

### **CLERK'S REPORT:**

Reminded all members to sign in, and that attendees wishing to join as a corporate member that the dues for the month of July through to the end of the meeting were \$4 and persons joining after the meeting were \$2. Also informed the membership that he had copies of the Bylaws present and strongly urged all corporate members so interested to take a copy. All corporate members are entitled to ask for and receive a copy of the Bylaws.

Ed Dooley, interim clerk, reported that he had a proxy from Pat Vandenberg, assigning to him her corporate proxy with the understanding that he would read her mind and vote as she would at the corporate meeting. Ed also stressed that he had received specific instructions on one particular vote.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS:

### BUDGET:

Mike DiGenio reported that the Corporation appeared to be healthy up to June. Due to scheduling problems he and the Corporate Treasurer had fallen slightly behind. A more detailed report was promised by the publishing deadline of **MENTOR** and a **preliminary** draft of the corporate budget (editor's note: As of 7/26 nothing has been received)

### CONCOM '93:

**ARISIA '93's** books were not closed, but were expected to be real soon. Rob reported that **NO** more receipts were being accepted.

### CONCOM '94:

ConCom meeting scheduled for today was cancelled due to a sudden family obligation. Jim Belfiore rescheduled the meeting to 7/27 at 8 p.m. Sheila Oranch reported that Kim Van Auken was not well and had resigned temporarily from pre-registration. Sheila asked for volunteers to help with registration and data entry duties. Also she was still looking for someone to do Babysitting and ConSuite.

## CORPORATE BENEFITS:

The Corporate Benefit's Coordinator stated that she had begun to look into perks to the corporation member and the convention such as a 5% reduction on airfare if the convention declares a favored airline. Also she was looking into a corporate membership to BJ's Wholesale Club, as well as museums and book stores. Sheila hoped to have a more detailed report at the next meeting.

## DATABASE:

Not Present.

## GRANT:

Nothing new.

## LONG RANGE PLANNING:

No report. The two proposals reported in the last issue of **MENTOR** were discussed. As for the MidSummer's Lark, it was felt to be a good idea, but no real action was taken. Some member's felt that the event that was held for Heather Coon (**HEATHERCON/CONCOON**) might be a good model for future functions. The meeting that was talked about using Jim Belfiore's pool was not viable at this time (perhaps later in August) (Next Corporate Meeting to be held at NESFA).

As for the proposal of adopting **Life Membership's**, the E-Board recommended to the membership that it be adopted (one member requested that a different name be used,

but no satisfactory title could be thought of).

**VOTED:** To approve the proposal as recommended.

### **OTHER MATTERS:**

Walter Kahn was concerned that the October meeting was scheduled for the holiday weekend and that some members might have plans. No one seemed to have a problem with the date.

The matter of whether candidacy for Con Chair should be a private matter for only the members of the E-Board was presented to the membership. It was the E-Board's recommendation that, in the future, candidacy for the position of Con Chair would be public knowledge.

**VOTED:** To approve the E-Board's recommendation.

For the benefit of those who might not have known, the candidates for Con Chair '95 were:

Chris Ivey  
Pat McCormack  
Sheila Oranch  
Nick (Phi) Sheckman

One candidate had nominated himself for the position of clerk. Ed Dooley, present interim clerk for ARISIA.

**VOTED:** To elect Ed Dooley to the position of Clerk.

Ed Dooley is therefore duly elected as clerk (editor's note: WHY?)

The corporate meeting recessed at 2:55 p.m. The Executive Board went into private session to interview the candidates for Con Chair '95 (as reported in the E-Board Report)

The corporate meeting reconvened at 3:55 p.m.

The Executive Board reported to the membership that they recommended Sheila Oranch to the appointment of Con Chair '95.

**VOTED:** To approve the E-Board's recommendation and appoint Sheila Oranch to the position of Con Chair '95.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

It was suggested that ARISIA purchase new locks for storage as we are presently using locks that belong to Kim Van Auken. The corporation will need to look into how many lock might be needed as there may be other storage locations to consider.

**MOTION:** To transfer Deb Smith from RED SHIRT to GENERAL membership.

In accordance to the Bylaws this matter was tabled to the next meeting.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS :**

In appreciation of her involvement with both convention and corporate, Heather Coon was presented with a check, by the membership, which hopefully will cover her expenses to return to Boston in January. We wish her well in her endeavor, and hope that Heather will stay in touch with us.

A **NEW** Organization has announced its intention for a new **WORLDCON<sup>SM</sup>** bid for **BOSTON** in 1998. Presupporting rates are \$8, \$25 for pre-what-ever. Please see the flyer at the end of this publication.

**Ben Levy** is looking for people to help with the **ARISIA** party at **CONFRANCISCO**. Interested persons should contact Ben at: (508) 685-4000 ext. 6273 / Internet: seven @ ftp.com. **NOTE:** This is Ben's work number.

**Walter Kahn** would like to thank everyone who helped out at the party at **READERCON**.

Please notify the Clerk of anything which could be of interest to the membership which could appear in this section. Your comments and announcements will gladly be posted here (depending on the space available).

## **NOTICE OF MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER**

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WILL BE RED SHIRTED AT THE END OF THE JULY CORPORATE MEETING ON 8/8/93 IF THEY DO NOT ATTEND:

CHRIS PALMER

IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 1.2 OF THE BYLAWS, AN AUTOMATIC TRANSFER MAY BE WAIVED BY THE MEMBERSHIP FOR CAUSE, WHICH CAUSE MAY BE STATED IN THE MINUTES

# Chapter 98

*It is a time of change, when  
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*A group of fans have banded  
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in 1998 WorldCon bid.*

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A bid for the 56th World Science Fiction Convention

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

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**AUGUST:**

8/8/93 ARISIA CORPORATE MEETING at 2 p.m. at the NESFA Clubhouse, Somerville. E-Board will meet at 1 p.m.

8/tba/93 ConCom (ARISIA '94 Convention Committee) to be announced.

**SEPTEMBER:**

9/19/93 ARISIA CORPORATE MEETING--ANNUAL MEETING at 2 p.m. at the NESFA Clubhouse, Somerville. E-Board will meet at 1 p.m.

9/tba/93 ConCom (ARISIA '94 Convention Committee) to be announced.

**OCTOBER:**

10/10/93 ARISIA CORPORATE MEETING at 2 p.m. at the NEW home of Don & Jill Eastlake, Carlisle. E-Board will meet at 1 p.m.

10/tba/93 ConCom (Arisia '94 Convention Committee) to be announced.

Please notify the CLERK of any upcoming events or meetings which should go into this schedule.

Thank you.

## **DIRECTIONS TO THE NESFA CLUBHOUSE:**

The NESFA Clubhouse is located at 504 Medford St. in Somerville. It is about two blocks from the intersection of Medford St. and Broadway.

### **BY CAR FROM CAMBRIDGE:**

Take McGrath Highway to Broadway (--this is a wide street shortly before you reach I-93; there is a Dunkin' Donuts store on the left, and two gas stations on the right). Turn left on to Broadway. Proceed until you reach Medford Street (-- this is a complex intersection with three streets coming into Broadway; there is another Dunkin' Donuts here). Take a **sharp** left turn on to Medford Street. Park as soon as you see a space; the NESFA Clubhouse is about two blocks from the intersection.

### **BY CAR FROM I-93 SOUTHBOUND (RTE 128, etc):**

Take the Mystic Ave. exit. At the end of the ramp, turn right. Continue straight through two traffic lights (Mystic Ave and a small street). At the third light (Medford St.), turn left (--there is a white building labeled Gange Insurance at this intersection). Follow this about a mile, staying right at the fork near the fire station. Proceed straight through the complex intersection mentioned above. Then park.

### **BY CAR FROM I-93 NORTHBOUND (FROM BOSTON):**

Take the Route 28/Somerville exit (near the Assembly Square Mall). Stay to the left when you leave the ramp. Shortly after the first traffic light, take U-turn road. When you get back to the traffic light, turn right on to McGrath Highway (Route 28 south). Turn right again at the next light; this is Broadway. Then see the directions above.

### **BY PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION (T):**

Take the #80 bus from Lechmere. This passes right in front of the NESFA Clubhouse, shortly before you reach Broadway. Or take the #89 bus from Sullivan Square. Get off the bus at Magoun Square (the intersection of Broadway and Medford St.); walk two blocks toward Boston (cross Broadway and continue in that direction).

**NOTE:** On Sunday, the #80 leaves Lechmere at 12:00, 1:00, and 2:00. It leaves Arlington Center at 12:30, 1:30, and 2:30. The #89 leaves Sullivan Square at 12:00, 1:00, and 2:00. It leaves Clarendon Hill at 12:20, 1:20, and 2:20. June 1993 Schedule.

### **BY FOOT:**

If weather cooperates, the NESFA Clubhouse is a pleasant walk from most of Somerville, and parts of Cambridge and Medford.

**NOTE:** If someone has better directions than these, please see CLERK. I have been advised that these may be slightly inaccurate (if not confusing).



**YES!** I want to (**renew / start**) my corporate membership to **ARISIA, Incorporated**. Enclosed is my annual dues of \$24. Please (continue / begin) my membership.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

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May we exchange your address and phone number with other organizations? YES / NO

This form should be returned to the CLERK either at the next meeting, or mailed to his attention (preferably at the address listed under Executive Board).

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