



# Mentor

The Newsletter of Arisia, Incorporated — Number 113, January 2002

## Notice

The Corporate Budget will be voted on at the next meeting. The proposed budget can be found on page 3 of this issue.

## Minutes of the Corporate Meeting

### • Date, Time, and Place

Sunday, January 20, 2002. Boston Park Plaza Hotel, Whitehill room. Called to order at 3:00 PM.

### • In Attendance

Brendan Quinn, Colette Fozard, Nicholas Sheckman, Paul Selkirk, Noel Rosenberg, Claudia Mastroianni, Patrick McCormack, Glen Goodwin, Tom Murphy, Walter Kahn, Matthew Saroff, Elka Tovah Menkes, Rachel Silber, Traci Fogarty, Drea Brandford, Liz Orenstein (non-member), Michael Whitehouse (non-member), Elana Shenton (non-member), Adam Ferraro (non-member).

### • Corrections to the Minutes

Tom Murphy attended the December meeting, but Claudia Mastroianni didn't.

### • Proxies

None.

### • President's Report/Eboard Report (Brendan Quinn)

We appear to have had a con.

There were a few incidents that the Eboard had to deal with. The first was that the Eboard did, on Saturday afternoon, approve raising the [membership] cap, should we need it. We did not hit what we raised the cap to, which was 2700 memberships, and I believe we have issued 2300 and change. The original cap was a subject of some debate. The cap used to be 1500 paid memberships; we were definitely in danger of hitting that when we raised the cap on Saturday afternoon. However, all the members of the eboard remember voting on and passing a motion several years ago to raise the cap to 2500 total. That never made it into the official Policies document; the clerk is going to do some research, and find what Mentor it was in, and make the correction. *[The members of the eboard remember correctly; the cap was raised at the May 1998 meeting, on the previous watch of this clerk. Oh, the embarrassment. —Ed.]*

There was another issue that the eboard dealt with that needs to be reported. There was an incident last night in the Dealers' Room, where two dealers lost merchandise while the room was closed. The executive board has approved reimbursing them for losses, and has approved offering them free table space for next year in the way of apology.

The Boston Police are going to work primarily with hotel security; we are going to pull together our information and leave it for hotel security, with Colette as a contact person, because she is both a corporate office and the division head for Operations. We'll be working to do what we can to try to figure out what happened, where the holes were, and try to correct this so it doesn't happen again next year.

### • Vice President's Report (Colette Fozard)

As stated, I will be point person on the loss issue, for both the con and the eboard.

### • Grant Committee Report (Colette Fozard)

We have a grant pending before the corporation from the Lite Circle, of Baltimore MD, for \$2000 to publish a book called *Through A Glass Darkly*, an anthology of mystery, dark fantasy and horror. The Lite Circle has published books before in this genre; two years ago, they published *Lower Than the Angels*, an anthology of science fiction and fact.

This grant proposal was reviewed by the Grant Committee this fall. I will disclose that, while being head of the Grant Committee, I am also the person who submitted the grant proposal on behalf of Lite. I released the documents and everything to the Grant Committee, and then recused myself from all discussions. The one question that came up was whether there were any restrictive membership covenants in the formative documents of Lite Circle, Incorporated. After I explained that there were not any, Walter Kahn gave the approval of the Grant Committee.

The corporate membership also wanted to see the bylaws, to be sure there were no restrictive membership covenants. The organization does not have bylaws per se; they have Articles of Incorporation and a Mission Statement, which have been accepted by several state agencies for the state arts funding they receive. There is paid membership in the Lite Circle, which is sort of analogous to membership in a museum, in that you get a bi-monthly newspaper, and you get a discount on the published books. However, if you want to become part of the editorial staff, and help produce both these books and the newspaper, that's free and open to all. The officers (president, vice-president, and treasurer) make many of the decisions in terms of direction of the organization, but all the day-to-day decisions are made by the volunteers.

MOVED to allocate \$2000 out of the Grant Fund to The Lite Circle, Incorporated, for purposes outlined in the previous discussion. Motion CARRIES 7-4.

There are no further pending grants before the Committee.

### • Clerk's Report (Paul Selkirk)

Please sign in. Dues are \$16 at this meeting, or \$14 afterward. New members gain voting rights after attending one meeting;

this meeting counts. Reports are encouraged to be submitted in writing, to avoid gross transcription errors.

I've been reviewing the corporate roster, and I think what I published in the last Mentor is correct. If you are on the roster, and are not a member, or are not on the roster, and are a member, please let me know. I realize the Committees and Appointed Officers still need some work, and I'm getting guidance from the eboard. *[I think it's correct in this issue. If not, let me know.]*

- **Treasurer's Report** (Nicholas Shectman)

No report.

- **Budget Committee Report** (Nicholas Shectman)

I intend to submit a corporate budget for a vote at the next meeting. *[See page 3.]*

- **Arisia '02 Report** (Noel Rosenberg)

We had a con, and it was good. We're doing load-out after this meeting. Please come; please help.

- **Arisia '02 Treasury Report** (Noel Rosenberg)

We appear to have taken in, on site, approximately \$33,000, in addition to all the pre-con income of various sorts. That's a very tentative number at this point. I'll have firmer numbers, hopefully by the end of the week.

- **Arisia '03 Report** (Skip Morris)

Not present.

- **Long Range Planning Committee** (Cris Shuldiner)

The Long Range Planning Committee is seeking members. If you are interested in shaping the long-term direction and philosophy of the Arisia organization, please consider joining this committee.

- **Old Business**

None.

- **New Business**

None.

- **Meeting adjourned** at 3:31 PM.

## Directions to the February Meeting

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 26, at 7:00pm, at the home of Monte and Michelle McGuire:

181 Clifton St.  
Malden, MA 02148

In case you get lost, the phone number is:

781-324-8677

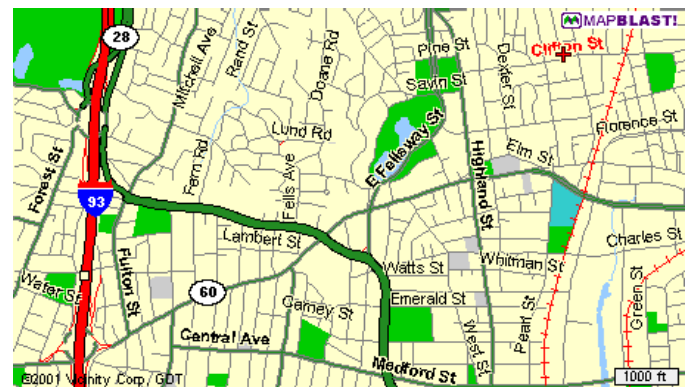
By car from I-93:

Take the Rt. 60 exit from I-93 and proceed east on Rt. 60 towards Malden. You'll pass by a number of storefronts in Medford, and eventually you'll get to a traffic light at the intersection of Rt. 60 and Rt. 28. On the far right will be a Sunoco station. Stay on Rt. 60 and pass through this intersection as well as through the next set of traffic lights. At the third set of lights, take a left onto Highland Ave.

Proceed along Highland past the first set of lights (Maple St.) and make the next possible right turn onto Clifton St. Stay on Clifton through the 4 way stop sign and continue for another 2-3 blocks. Just before the traffic light, the house will be on your left, #181. It is a large, pale yellow victorian with a turret. Park in our driveway or on the street.

By T:

Our house is several short blocks north of the Malden Center T stop on the Orange line. Exit the station to the west side of the tracks, take a right outside of the station and follow Summer St. (which closely parallels the T tracks) north to the next traffic light at the intersection of Clifton and Summer St. Turn left onto Clifton St., and the house will be on the right, two doors down. It is a large, pale yellow victorian, clearly numbered 181.



Corporate Budget History						
Item\Year			FY 2001		FY 2002	Notes
Income:						
	Membership		750.00		950.00	
	Convention Budgeted Income		4065.00		1215.00	
	Convention Reimbursement					
	Storage	3500.00		3500.00		
	Art Show Equipment	500.00		500.00		
	Communications Equipment	250.00		250.00		
	Tech and Film Equipment	750.00		750.00		
	Totals		5000.00		5000.00	FY01 budget improperly included comp rollovers as income
	Other Rental Income				600.00	
	Net Income from Corporate Sales				0.00	
	Interest Income				1000.00	
	Total Income		9815.00		8765.00	
Recurring Expenses:						
	Purely Corporate Expenses					
	Admin	300.00		400.00		includes actually performing mail forwarding
	Mentor	150.00		250.00		
	Legal	300.00		300.00		
	Totals		750.00		950.00	
	Mixed Corporate / Convention Expenses					
	Treasury/Checks/Supplies:	200.00		200.00		
	Treasury/Bank Fees	300.00		425.00		will be 300.00 in FY03 after account simplification
	CIC/Storage:	4200.00		7700.00		"would likely be 6000.00 in FY03 and 4800.00 thereafter, if we move in '03"
	CIC/Supplies/Fixtures:	250.00		250.00		
	Food/Meetings&WorkCrew:	250.00		250.00		
	Mailbox Rental	275.00		275.00		
	Student Art Contest			500.00		
	PO Account Fees	200.00		200.00		
	PO Database Maintenance	400.00		600.00		will be 400.00 in FY03 assuming normal mailing size
	Totals		6075.00		10400.00	
	Purely Convention Expenses					
	Tech Equip Maintenance			750.00		
	Comm Equip Maintenance			250.00		
	Art Show Maintenance	500.00		500.00		FY01 budget considered this a non-recurring expense
	Totals		500.00		1500.00	
	Total Recurring Expenses		7325.00		12850.00	
Non-Recurring Expenses						
	CIC/Dollies/Crates/Moving:	2000.00		1000.00		
	Tech Equipment Purchase	2000.00		0.00		but notice new line item under recurring expenses
	Total Non-Recurring Expenses		4000.00		1000.00	
	Grand Total Income		9815.00		8765.00	
	Grand Total Expense		11325.00		13850.00	
	Net Gain (Loss)		(1510.00)		(5085.00)	mostly due to increase in storage costs

## Membership/Subscription Information

Subscription to *Mentor of Arisia* is included with Corporate Membership to Arisia, Incorporated. Membership runs from September 1st to August 31st and costs \$24.00. Dues are pro-rated on a monthly basis for members joining during the year.

September	\$24	March	\$12
October	\$22	April	\$10
November	\$20	May	\$08
December	\$18	June	\$06
January	\$16	July	\$04
<b>February</b>	<b>\$14</b>	August	\$02

## Executive Board

<b>President</b> Brendan Quinn 309 Lake Street Waltham MA 02451 President@arisia.org	<b>Arisia 2002 Conchair</b> Noel Rosenberg PO Box 464 Chelmsford MA 01824-0464 conchair@arisia.org
<b>Vice President</b> Colette Fozard 360 Walker Street Lowell MA 01851-1729 vp@arisia.org	<b>Arisia 2002 Treasurer</b> Chris Amshey 42 Boston Avenue Somerville MA 02144 con-treasurer@arisia.org
<b>Treasurer</b> Nicholas Sheckman 75 Lexington Avenue Somerville MA 02144 Treasurer@arisia.org	<b>Arisia 2003 Conchair</b> Skip Morris PO Box 542 Merrymack, NH 03054-0542 conchair@arisia.org
<b>Clerk</b> Paul Selkirk 112A Marblehead St N Reading MA 01864-1526 Clerk@arisia.org	<b>Arisia 2003 Treasurer</b> Vacant

## Storage Facility Key Holders

Brendan Quinn
Colette Fozard
Nicholas Sheckman
Paul Selkirk
Elka Tovah Menkes
Noel Rosenberg
Skip Morris
Carsten Turner
Linda Nee
Cris Shuldiner
Bryttan Bradley

## Committee Members & Corporate Appointed Officers

<b>Grant Committee</b> Colette Fozard (chair) Walter Kahn Krista Ernewein Claudia Mastroianni	<b>Database Committee</b> Rachel Silber (chair) Michelle McGuire Tom Murphy Paul Selkirk Cris Shuldiner
<b>Budget Committee</b> Nicholas Sheckman (chair) Chris Amshey Noel Rosenberg	<b>Long Range Planning Committee</b> Cris Shuldiner (chair)
<b>Corporate Inventory Control</b> Linda Nee	<b>Corporate Sales Officer</b> Nicholas Sheckman
<b>Corporate Systems Administrator</b> Cris Shuldiner	<b>Survey Committee</b> Claudia Mastroianni
<b>Gaming Convention Exploration Committee</b> (vacant)	<b>Technical Equipment Committee</b> Joel Herda (chair)

## Membership Roster

Aaron Agassi	Christopher Amshey
Rob Bazemore	Angela Bowen
Drea Brandford	Brian Cooper
Regis M. Donovan	Tom Fish
George Flynn	Tracy Fogarty
Colette H. Fozard	Glen Goodwin
Joel Herda	Brendan Hertel
Lisa Hertel	Walter Kahn
Allan Kent	Sheeri Kritzer
Zanne Labonville	Jacob Lefton
Benjamin Levy	Claudia Mastroianni
Patrick McCormack	Michelle McGuire
Elka Tovah Menkes	Skip Morris
Tom Murphy	Brendan Quinn
Matthew F. Ringel	Mary Robison
Noel Rosenberg	Matthew Saroff
Paul Selkirk	Nicholas Sheckman
Cris Shuldiner	Rachel Silber
Rachel Silverman	Patricia Ann Vandenberg
Michael Whitehouse	

## Calendar of Events

February 15-17, 2002

**Boskone 39**

Sheraton Framingham Hotel, Framingham MA

Tuesday, February 26, 2002, 7:00pm

**Arisia Corporate Meeting**

McGuire residence (see directions on page 2)

March 8-10, 2002

**Intercon B**

Radisson Hotel, Chelmsford MA

March 15-17, 2002

**Lunacon 2002**

Rye Town Hilton, Rye Brook NY

April 5-7, 2002

**JerseyDevilCon 2**

Raritan Center Sheraton, Edison NJ

April 19-21, 2002

**OurCon XI**

Campus Center Hotel, UMass, Amherst MA

May 24-27, 2002

**Balticon 36**

Wyndham Baltimore Inner Harbor Hotel, Baltimore MD

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**Building 600, PMB 322**  
**1 Kendall Square**  
**Cambridge, MA 02139**