



Mentor

The Newsletter of Arisia, Incorporated — Number 164 — April 2008

Notices

The next corporate meeting is 7:30 PM on Thursday April 3rd at the NESFA Clubhouse in Somerville.

The quorum for the next (April) meeting is 8 based on 51% of the average attendance of the last three meetings (18, 14, and 15).

There was no March Mentor.

Minutes of the February Meeting

Date, Time, and Place

The meeting was called to order by Nicholas Shectman at 2:45 PM on Sunday February 24th, 2008 at MIT, Cambridge, room 66-160. Minutes taken and submitted by Rick Kovalcik.

In Attendance (18 Members)

Mary Dumas, Don Eastlake, Jill Eastlake, Lisa Hertel, Crystal Huff, Steve Huff, Allan Kent, Rick Kovalcik, Benjamin Levy, Ken London, Steve Morris, Tom Murphy (Merv), Sharon Sbarsky, Nicholas Shectman (Phi), Rachel Silber, Mike Sprague, Pat Vandenberg, and Conor Walsh.

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Proxies

Alex Latzko to Jill Eastlake, Karen Purcell to Jill Eastlake, Samantha Dings to Pat Vandenberg, Rob Bazemore to Merv, Persis Thorndike to Don Eastlake, Jan Dumas to Rick Kovalcik, Janet Stickle to Rick Kovalcik, and Bridget Boyle to Allan Kent.

Corrections to the Minutes

There were no corrections to either the December or January minutes.

Eboard Report

The eboard met on 2/10 and voted to appoint Cris Shuldiner as Treasurer for A'09.

The eboard met on 2/19 and the following business took place.

Eboard recommends (motion from Eboard) closing the A'07 books and referring the remaining business to the Eboard. Passed.

(It appears that A'07 made about \$7k but most of this was due to \$5k payment from Radisson and \$2800 from ITA Software; Tem will try to follow-up on rooms which are still owed.)

Moved and passed unanimously to close the ConChair nominations on 3/15.

Eboard recommends (motion from Eboard) that all past Arisia GOHs and Special Guests receive comp memberships in future Arisias if requested. Passed.

Moved and passed unanimously to have RKOV spent up to \$100 to replace missing cables from the MCFI sound / projector systems and report back what else was necessary.

Eboard recommends (motion from Eboard) to set policy that earned comps may be applied (but not transferred) to either of the next two conventions [if person can't attend the next one; note ConChair approval / permission is not required]. Passed.

Eboard recommends (motion from Eboard) to set the date and time of June Corp meeting as Tuesday 24 June at 7:30 PM at NESFA. Passed.

Eboard considered a number of small expenses and decided to defer acting on them until we see how much money A'08 made.

President's Report

The President met with the Hyatt and various Eboard and Hotel Search members met with the Newton Marriott. The consensus does not seem to have changed. There is a previously passed motion for the Eboard to sign a contract. Phi appointed September Isdell to head the Archives committee and Rick Kovalcik to head the CIC committee.

Vice-President's Report

The grants committee will be meeting this week to discuss how we might attract more groups depending on the budget available.

Treasurer's Report

We currently have less than \$300 unallocated until some money is transferred from A'08.

Clerk's Report

An attendance list is being passed around. Due are currently \$14 for those interested in joining.

A'08 Report

It appears A'08 made about \$14k over the standard payment

A'09 Report

Arisia '09 moves apace.

Con Committee meetings (open to everyone) will be:

Sunday 2-Mar-07 2:00 PM MIT New/old ideas
 Tuesday 22-Apr-08 7:30 PM Chez Wood Budgeting
 Thursday 8-May-08 7:30 PM Hyatt Space Planning
 Sunday 22-Jun-08 2:00 PM MIT (NEW DATE!) Who are we missing? (TOPIC MOVED AHEAD)
 Sunday 20-Jul-08 2:00 PM Eastlakes' Party
 Wednesday 17-Sep-08 7:30 PM Hyatt Convention Flow
 Tuesday 14-Oct-08 7:30 PM Chez Wood
 Thursday 6-Nov-08 7:30 PM Hyatt
 Sunday 14-Dec-08 2:00 PM MIT
 Sunday 4-Jan-09 2:00 PM Hyatt

Division Heads meetings (OPEN TO INVITEES ONLY) will be:

Saturday 8-Mar-08 noon Mary Dumas'
 Sunday 6-Apr-08 1pm Noel Rosenberg's
 Saturday 31-May-08 at the Relaxacon
 Sunday 13-Jul-08 noon Cris Shuldiner's
 Saturday 16-Aug-08 noon Rick Kovalcik's
 Sunday 14-Sep-08 noon Jill Eastlake's
 Saturday 25-Oct-08 2pm Ben Levy's
 Sunday 16-Nov-08 noon unnamed
 Saturday 13-Dec-08 2pm Cris Shuldiner's
 Sunday 4-Jan-09 noon Hyatt

The organization structure as of today was announced and is being put up on the website.

Relaxacon Report

Samantha Dings has been added as Relaxacon Tour Director. Relaxacon still has openings in staff. If you are interested, please talk to Mary Dumas.

Bylaws Cleanup Committee Report

The Bylaws Committee previously reported on its recommendation to amend by replacement Bylaw 6.7; this was printed in MENTOR OF ARISIA #163, February 2008: MOVED to Amend Bylaw 6.7, currently reading:

6.7 The chairperson of each convention shall have an assistant chairperson. The assistant chairperson shall always be the ex officio of the following convention, when selected. The chairperson shall assign the assistant chairperson duties which will prepare him for his own term as a convention chairperson. by REPLACEMENT with the following: 6.7:

Assistant Convention Chairperson(s)

(A) Each Convention Chairperson shall serve as the ex-officio Assistant Convention Chairperson for the Convention immediately prior to the Convention they are chairing, provided they are appointed and confirmed before the close of said prior Convention. The Convention Chairperson shall assign duties to the ex-officio Assistant Convention Chairperson consistent with preparing them for their subsequent term as a Convention Chairperson.

(B) This section does not limit the authority of the Convention Chairperson to appoint additional Assistant Convention Chairperson(s).
 Passes.

CIC Report

The Sunrays are gone (they were returned to Alex) and about half of the monitors were disposed of in an environmentally friendly manner (they were taken to the Newton Recycling Depot aka Dump).

Timeline Committee Report

There will be a meeting in March. It was pointed out that Phi had previously appointed Conor Walsh to the Timeline Committee.

Information Technology Committee Report

Jasra is trying to get a meeting scheduled for sometime in the next ~5 weeks and hope to have things moving along quickly after that.

Now staff.arisia.org and corp.arisia.org both work. Most stuff on staff needs a login to view while most stuff on corp is publicly viewable.

Other Committees

Not present or no report.

Old Business

None.

New Business

It was pointed out that the policies on web differ between the HTML and PDF versions and the HTML version has an incorrectly added policy about double time credit for overnight work.

Mary reminded people about the Volunteer Appreciation Committee. Phi appointed Mary as head, Jill, Conor, Lisa, Pat, and Rick.

Announcements

If you are interested in helping out New England Fan Experience, please see Mary Dumas.

Susan Sbarsky has a new cell phone but none of her address book info got transferred over. See her.

The meeting adjourned at about 5:30 PM.

Future Meetings

Arisia '09 Meeting on "budget" Tuesday April 22 at 7:30 PM at Chez Wood, aka Kovalcik-Mozzicato home in Newton.
 Corporate meeting Sunday May 18 at 2 PM at MIT building 66 first floor.
 (Relaxacon '08 Friday May 30 to Sunday June 1 at Corsair and Crossrip Motels in Dennisport.)
 Corporate meeting Tuesday June 24 at 7:30 PM at NESFA Clubhouse in Somerville.

Detailed Treasurer's Report

			Change from last month
March 1st 2008			
Even Year - A08		\$33,275.28	-\$29,711.08
Odd Year - A07		\$1,132.12	\$0.00
Corporate			
Reserved/Unspent			
Grant Fund	\$1,000.00		\$0.00
Two years expenses (CDs)	\$29,136.66		\$106.27
Voted Expenses (excludes budget)	\$1,250.00		\$250.00
Unspent Budget	\$5,161.69		-\$1,804.63
Total Reserved		\$36,548.35	-\$1,448.36
Unallocated Funds		\$10,625.14	\$9,975.84
Total Corporate Funds		\$47,173.49	\$8,527.48
Total Assets		\$81,580.89	-\$21,183.60

Membership Roster

This is the current membership roster as of December 5, 2007. **Bold** indicates members paid up through August 2008. *Italic* indicates honorary members. **Bold Italic** indicates honorary members who have also paid (so that they can vote or hold office).

Lisa Adler-Golden	Rick Kovalcik
Aaron Agassi	'Zanne Labonville
Paul Aldred	Alex Latzko
Rob Bazemore	Ben Levy
Dave Belfer-Shevett	Carole London
Michael Bergman	Ken London
Bridget Boyle	Glen McWilliams
Stephanie Clarkson	Skip Morris
Tom Coveney	Susan Mozzicato
David D'Antonio	Tom Murphy (Merv)
Samantha Dings	Pam Ochs
Jan Dumas	Sheila Oranch
Mary Dumas	James Pinkerton
Don Eastlake	Karen Purcell
Jill Eastlake	Mark Richards
Tom Fish	Mary Robison
John Francini	Noel Rosenberg
Tracy Gangwer	Sharon Sbarsky
Nichole Gosselin	Nicholas Sheckman (Phi)
Joel Herda	Cris Shuldiner
Brendan Hertel	Rachel Silber
Lisa Hertel	Mike Sprague
Christina Hodge	Janet Stickle
Lisa Holsberg (Jasra)	Pete Thomas
Crystal Huff	Persis Thorndike
Steve Huff	Carsten Turner
September Isdell	Pat Vandenberg
Jeanne Kahn	Al Walker (Hobbit)
Walter Kahn	Conor Walsh
Allan Kent	Michael Whitehouse

Committee Members

Archives September Isdell (chair) Samantha Dings Rick Kovalcik Ben Levy Susan Mozzicato	Honors Rick Kovalcik (chair) Rachel Silber
Budget Ben Levy (chair) Don Eastlake Alex Latzko Cris Shuldiner	Hotel Search Janet Stickle (chair) Rick Kovalcik Ben Levy Skip Morris Rachel Silber
Bylaws Cleanup Tom "Merv" Murphy (chair) Rob Bazemore Rick Kovalcik Ben Levy Skip Morris	Information Technology Lisa Holsberg (chair) Dave Belfer-Shevett John Francini Tracy Gangwer Alex Latzko Cris Shuldiner
Corporate Inventory Control / Tech Rick Kovalcik (chair) Lisa Hertel Skip Morris Al "Hobbit" Walker	Relaxacon Mary Dumas (chair) Samantha Dings (tours) Lisa Hertel (pre-registration) Christina Hodge (programming) Crystal Huff (hospitality) Rick Kovalcik (hotel liaison)
Grant Crystal Huff (chair) September Isdell Noel Rosenberg Mike Sprague	Timeline Rachel Silber (chair) Lisa Hertel Skip Morris
Long Range Planning (vacant)	Survey (vacant)

Executive Board

President Nicholas Sheckman 75 Lexington Ave Somerville, MA 02144 president@arisia.org	Arisia 2008 ConChair September "Tem" Isdell 82 Albion Street #2 Somerville, MA 02143 08chair@arisia.org
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Clerk Rick Kovalcik 19 Chesley Rd Newton Centre, MA 02459 clerk@arisia.org	Arisia 2009 Treasurer Cris Shuldiner 9 Jeremy Hill Rd Pelham, NH 03076 treasury@arisia.org

Directions for Arisia Meeting on Thursday April 3rd, 2007 at 7:30 PM

Location: NESFA Clubhouse, 504 Medford St., Somerville, 617-625-2311

More detailed directions and maps are available online at <http://www.nesfa.org/clubhouse>. There is unlimited free on-street parking after 6 pm and on Sunday (one hour limit with meters at other times), and you can park in back by turning down Lowell and going in the first driveway on the left.

From the West, the easiest route is to take Rt. 2 to Alewife and then head north (left) on the Alewife Brook Parkway for about a half mile. Turn right onto Broadway. Follow Broadway about a mile and a half. Take Medford St. where it forks off to the right at Magoun Sq. (Dunkin Donuts on right) and it's just a bit over a block on the right.

From Cambridge, take Prospect St. out of Central Sq to Union Sq in Somerville. Go west out of Union Sq along Somerville Ave until you come to Central St. Turn right onto Central and go to Medford St. (the second traffic light). Turn left onto Medford and the Clubhouse is between 4 and 5 blocks on the left.

From the North and East, get on Medford St. from McGrath highway (Mass 28) and follow it to Lowell St. You could also get on Broadway going west and then make a hairpin left onto Medford where they join at Magoun Sq.

By MBTA, the NESFA clubhouse is served by MBTA bus routes 80, 89, and 101 which pass through or near Magoun Square—a block from the clubhouse:

- 80 Arlington Center—Lechmere Station (Green Line)
- 89 Clarendon Hill—Sullivan Square Station (Orange Line)

101 Malden Center Station (Orange Line)—Sullivan Square Station (Orange Line) (goes near Magoun Square)

Key List

If you do not have a key to storage and need to get into storage, send mail to keys@arisia.org and all keyholders will get your request.

Keyset	Holder	Keyset	Holder
1	Joel Herda	13	Persis Thorndike
2	Alex Latzko	14	Lisa Hertel
3	Skip Morris	15	Ben Levy
4	Carsten Turner	16 spare	Phi
5	Skip Morris	17	Lisa Holsberg
6	Phi	18 spare	September Isdell
7	Michael Bergman	19 spare	Skip Morris
8	Rick Kovalcik	20	Crystal Huff
9	September Isdell	21	Jill Eastlake
10	Hobbit	22	Noel Rosenberg
11	Landlord	23-26 spares	Rick Kovalcik
12	Janet Stickle		

Mentor 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. Dues are prorated 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
February	\$14	August	\$02

Upcoming Events

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Readercon 19 Thursday 17 July 2008 to Sunday 20 July 2008 at the Burlington Marriott (www.readercon.org).

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