



# NEWSLETTER of ARISIA<sup>SM</sup>



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

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## MEMBERSHIP MEETING 21 OCTOBER 1990

The meeting was called to order at the UMass Campus Center, Amherst, at 2:15 PM by president Mary Robison.

The minutes of September meeting were accepted with one correction: Page 5, under Announcements, a free membership to Arisia 91, not 90 will be donated as a door prize at the BSTA party.

### Reports

Clerk -- Our service mark has been registered with the State. Hereafter, in all our literature, the name "Arisia" should be followed by a superscript "SM."

The amendments to the Articles of Organization will be filed during the next week.

President -- We have our Federal tax-exempt status.

Vice President -- No Report

Bylaws Committee -- Open Bylaws Committee meeting will be held at 2:00 PM, just before the next Corporate meeting. Anyone who cannot attend and has any comments on the draft bylaws (which were distributed with the last Newsletter) please speak to a member of the Committee.

Concomm -- We have a volunteer to set up a phone # for publicity information. It was reported that we have been having problems with the Vista because of information provided them by the LaFayette during a credit check. We will meet with the hotel this Thursday to try to iron out the problems.

It was also reported that space in the Dealer's Room is completely booked.

After discussion, it was on motions

VOTED: That day rates at Arisia 91 be \$20., with an upgrade to full membership costing an additional \$15.00, plus any applicable taxes.

VOTED: That if we have no money to refund committee and staff memberships at Arisia 91, these persons will received complimentary memberships to Arisia 92.

VOTED: To establish a fee of \$40. per table plus convention membership, for space on "Dealer's Row," consisting of dealers permitted to set up tables and sell from hotel rooms on the second floor at Arisia 91.

VOTED: To provide a copy of the hotel contract and addendum to the Costume Con 11 bidding committee.

The meeting recessed for approximately 15 minutes, during which the Executive Board met. On return from recess, reports resumed.

Executive Board -- has voted to appoint Kim Van Auken as chair of the Arisia 92 Committee. After discussion, it was on motion

VOTED: To approve the appointment of Kim Van Auken as chair of Arisia 92.

Treasurer -- We have approximately \$1500.00 in checking and are approximately \$6000.00 in debt. We must spend about \$10,000 before the con.

An inquiry has been made to our bank about obtaining a Letter of Credit to resolve the credit problem with the Vista. After discussion it was on motion

VOTED: To authorize the treasurer to execute an application for a Letter of Credit.

It was reported that we owe an additional \$50.00 to the attorney who handled the dispute with the LaFayette. After discussion it was on motion

VOTED: To pay the attorney who handled the dispute with the LaFayette \$50.00.

Planning Committee -- Not here.

### New Business

Sheila Oranch, chair of the Hotel Search Committee has requested directions from the membership. After discussion it was on motion

VOTED: That the chair of the Hotel Search Committee recruit volunteer committee members, commence meeting, and report at the December meeting on from two to six hotels, in addition to the Vista, for selection for Arisia 92.

### Announcements

The BSTA party for all area SF groups will be on 2 November at VFW Post 1105, 295 Arsenal Street, Watertown. Arisia will make a presentation.

Copy for the program book and fliers is needed from all departments. Get copy to Deb Smith or Rob Bazemore. Any department which doesn't turn in copy will have copy written for it and will be bound by that copy.

Chris Shuldiner and Paul and Francie Selkirk are taking two adjoining rooms at Philcon. Persons interested in staying in the rooms or in working on an Arisia party should talk to one of them.

The next Concomm meeting will be held on 11 November at the Sheraton Boston.

December Meeting -- set for Sunday 9 December 1990 at 4:00 PM, somewhere in the Boston area. The place will be arranged and announced in the next Mentor.

The meeting adjourned at 3:29 p.m.

A. Joseph Ross  
Clerk

MEMBERSHIP MEETING 4 NOVEMBER 1990

The meeting was called to order at the Insights Bookstore at 3:10 PM by vice president Robert Bazemore. The minutes of the October meeting were accepted as submitted.

Reports

President -- Not here.

Vice President -- No report.

Clerk -- The amendments to the Articles of Organization approved in September have been submitted to the State Secretary's Office. Our Annual Report has also been filed.

Treasurer -- Not here.

Concomm 91 -- It was moved that any gopher at Arisia 91 who does 16 hours or more of duty will have his/her con membership refunded, provided that the Membership, at a meeting, votes that we have the money. An amendment was accepted that refunds for gophers will be voted on separately from refunds for committee and staff. It was further amended that if gopher's con membership are not refunded, gophers who do 16 hours or more of duty receive complimentary memberships to Arisia 92. After discussion and a vote to divide the question, it was

VOTED: That any gopher at Arisia 91 who does 16 hours or more of duty receive a complimentary membership to Arisia 92.

The portion of the motion providing that gophers who qualify have their Arisia 91 membership refunded if the Membership votes that we have the money was defeated. The portion providing that the Membership vote separately with respect to refunds for gophers and refunds for committee and staff was thereby made moot.

The Concomm reported that NJAC had about an 18% membership reduction this year, possibly due to the declining economy. Accordingly, all departments are urged to be careful about spending. We currently have 191 pre-registered members.

Issues with the Vista Hotel have been resolved. The contract addendum will be circulated, so that it can be voted on later in the meeting.

Planning -- The committee is currently looking at how convention staff should be organized and job descriptions. It seeks recommendations from members in writing.

Concomm 92 -- Would like the Membership to decide on a hotel as soon as possible. Mmembers should tell Kim in writing what they would like to do at Arisia 92, ideas, etc.

Hotel Search -- A hotel checklist was distributed. Anyone who wants to be on the committee should see Shiela Oranch.

Bylaws -- The committee held an open meeting prior to this meeting to discuss the proposed bylaws. Articles 1 and 2 were covered. Further meetings will be scheduled and will begin with Article 3.

Corporate Fund Raising -- It was suggested that corporate notes be written in such a way that if the holder demands payment, we have adequate time to pay, so as to avoid default. It was moved that the committee be directed, in consultation with the Treasurer, to prepare a specific proposal on corporate notes for the next meeting. It was then voted to table the motion until the Treasurer arrives or until 4:20 PM, whichever comes first.

### New Business

The question of hotel search for Arisia 92 was taken up. After discussion, it was on motion

VOTED: To authorize the Arisia 92 Committee to begin negotiations with the Vista for Arisia 92.

It was noted during debate that this does not, at this point, mean a definite selection of the Vista for Arisia 92.

Matthew Saroff proposed to have printed, at his own expense, hats and other items to be sold bearing the Arisia name and logo. After discussion, it was on motion

VOTED: To authorize Matthew Saroff to print hats and other items bearing the Arisia service mark, any proceeds over expenses to go to the Corporation.

The scheduling of future meeting was next considered. After discussion, it was on motions

VOTED: To hold the January corporate meeting on 13 January 1991 at 2:00 PM.

VOTED: To hold the December meeting, previously scheduled, at the Insights Bookstore.

Enough people having seen the addendum to the hotel contract, after discussion, it was on motion

VOTED: To authorize the President, on behalf of the Corporation, to sign the addendum to the Vista hotel contract negotiated by the Convention Committee, pending correction of certain typographical errors.

The treasurer not having arrived, and 4:20 PM having come and gone, the motion concerning corporate notes was taken from the table. After discussion, it was on motion

VOTED: That the Corporate Fund Raising Committee be directed, in consultation with the Treasurer, to prepare a specific proposal on corporate notes for the next meeting.

### Announcements

The 91 Concomm will be meeting weekly in December, Sundays at 2:00. Departments are asked to schedule meetings in December.

Copies were distributed of a letter from Rob Caswell and Deb Zeigler concerning Arisia 90.

It was reported that LSC at MIT is planning to show SF movies in mid-January. An effort will be made to show promo slides for Arisia.

The Hotel Search Committee will meet over lunch before next week's concomm meeting.

Copy/Information needs to be gotten to Deb Smith ASAP for the Registration Packet. Registration packets will be going out in early December at the latest. Robert Bazemore needs materials for the program book by 15 December.

The meeting adjourned at 4:43 PM.

A. Joseph Ross  
Clerk

### Corporate Officers

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

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### Upcoming Events

9 December, Sunday -- 2:00 P.M. Concomm Meeting at the Insights Bookstore, Acton. See directions below for Corporate meeting. Please note that the Concomm will meet weekly during December.

9 December, Sunday -- 3:00 P.M. Open Bylaws Committee meeting. We will begin discussing Article 3. See directions below for Corporate meeting.

9 December, Sunday -- 4:00 P.M. Corporate meeting, Insights Bookstore, 481 Great Road (Route 2A), Acton.

From West: Route 2 East to Rt. 27 North to 2A West.

From East: Route 2 West to Route 2A at the Concord rotary.

The store is on the right, about a mile past the Route 27 junction. The store is in a gray-white building with green awnings called "Le Marché." The meeting is on the second floor. Any further questions on directions, call Jim Belfiore, (W) 617/377-5959.

Please notify Jim Belfiore of any other meetings to be held at the bookstore before the corporate meeting.

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

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