Minutes of E-Board Meeting

Time: March 5, 1996 @ 8:00 pm
Location: Goemon Japanese Noodle Restaurant, Brookline, MA.

In Attendance: Nicholas "Phi" Shectman, Pat McCormack, Glen R. Goodwin, Randall Cohen, Walter Kahn, Cris Shuldiner

- Informal discussion was held as to the recent situation arising from the lack of activity on the part of the Arisia 96 Treasurer. Several solutions were recommended to the Arisia 96 Conchair who will enact them.
- The Eboard moved to terminate the Arisia 96 Treasurer. Motion was passed.
- The Eboard moved to create a policy that designates an Assistant to the Convention Treasurer to prevent future problems with Convention Treasury.
- It was moved that a formal bylaws amendment be drafted and brought before the corporation regarding the wording of the Convention Treasurer's function.
- The eboard discusses the status of the Park West bank account. It was decided that Phi would transfer the money out of this account, leaving only enough to cover expenses.
- On a related issue it was decided to close out the Citizen Bank account. Phi reported that Citizen Bank required two of the authorized signators to close the account. Pat McCormack spoke up for himself and Jeff Jordan (both signators) stating that they would be happy to take care of this.
- Once again the eboard took up discussion as to the Arisia 97 Treasurer. This issue was tabled for further thought.
- The eboard then fell into conjecture over a proposal submitted by Jeremy Brown regarding the purchasing of several items for the convention. This issue was tabled until Corporate Inventory could further comment and until Arisia 97 felt it was a relevant issue.
- Discussion then moved to the Clerk's proposal to purchase a laptop computer for the corporation to compliment the corporate printer. Discussion was tabled for future consideration.
- Finally, the eboard talked about suggested revisions to the Arisia 97 hotel contract. Several suggestions were made based upon comparison of the 97 contract to the 96 contract and upon various points of the contract. The revisions were left with the president for submission to the hotel liason.

Meeting adjourned 9:15 pm

Minutes of the March Corporate Meeting

Time: Sunday, March 10, 1996 @ 2:39 pm
Location: UMass Boston, 4th Floor Wheatly Hall

In attendance: Randall Cohen, Ed Dooley, Glen Goodwin, Hal Haag, Jeff Jordan, Walter Kahn, William Mickle (Red Shirt), Tim Roberge, Nicholas Shectman, Jim Stevenson (Non-member)

In the absence of the president the meeting was chair by the Vice President, Walter Kahn.

- Corrections to the Minutes

Ed Dooley pointed out that the Clerk was
Instructed, not Admonished.

- Proxies
  Christine Ivey to Ed Dooley
  Ted Atwood to Hal Haag
  Marshal Ellis to Jeff Jordan.

- There were no transfers of membership. It was moved that Paul Selkirk and Bill Mickle be moved to General Membership. This was seconded and tabled as per the Arisia Bylaws.

- No president's report was given.

- Vice President's Report:
  The Scum check has been mailed out.
  One of the members inquired of the VP about MITSFS.

Grant Committee:
  One grant was received by the committee. After reviewal by the committee it was recommended by the committee that the e-board not approve this request because the submitting agency was an individual rather than an organization. The e-board concurred with the recommendation of the Grant Committee and also pointed out that the amount of the grant seemed a little too high as well.

Walter provided the aforementioned grant request to the clerk for inclusion in the newsletter. It is the opinion of the clerk that the general bulk of the materials is too significant for inclusion. However, a copy of the materials will be provided to any member requesting such. E-mail or call the clerk to arrange this.

- Treasurer’s Report:
  Randall spoke briefly about the status of the accounts. Jeff Jordan asked Randall how many bank accounts we had. Randall stated that the corporation had 2 accounts with Bank of Boston, and 1 Account with Park West.

  Some discussion was had as to the recent check bouncing problem of Arisia 96. Randall assured the membership that the eboard has taken steps to correct the current problem, and is looking into correcting this problem in the future.

  Finally Randall stated that to date about $2500.00 has been spent on the trial.

- Clerk’s Report:
  The clerk stated that he is about halfway through sorting the records which appear to be in fairly decent state.

  Also, the clerk has completed an edit and review of the Bylaws and Articles. Final drafts of these documents along with the corporate policies will be made available to the membership shortly.

  The clerk reminded the membership to sign in.

  Fees for membership were set at $12.00 prior to the corporate meeting and $10.00 after.

  Finally, the clerk stated that a complimentary mentor will be available to all non-members present at the meeting.

- Arisia 96 Report:
  I met with Dave Corrieveau yesterday and informed him of the executive board's decision to fire him. I have retrieved most of his records and will meet with him later this week to do signature cards and get the rest of the records.

  If you submitted expenses at or since the convention, or if you contracted with a vendor, PLEASE LET ME KNOW so I can make sure you or they get paid.

  If you did not submit a time sheet TO ANDY Kaufman] OR MYSELF, then you are not on the comps list and you should get in touch with me so that your membership to next year will be in order.

  Phi was questioned as to whether or not Patti Silver was paid. He said no, but he would take care of it.

- Arisia 97 Report:
  In Pat’s absence Ed Dooley spoke:
  Things are progressing. People are still needed to work. Suggestions/Volunteers...
problems concerning the convention treasurer.

Add the following to bylaw section 6.6a: An assistant to the convention treasurer will also be appointed by the E-board with the advice of the convention chairman. The assistant treasurer shall have the duty of reporting, independently of the convention treasurer, to the E-board on the status of the con expenses and books. The assistant convention treasurer shall also assist the convention treasurer in all aspects of the convention treasurer's duties.

Add the following to section 6.6b: Maintaining of records and depository accounts shall not include the opening or closing of accounts, and does not necessarily include signatory powers on any Arisia account. The corp. treasurer will have oversight authority over the convention treasurer.

Bylaw was tabled as per the bylaws. Some question was raised as to who was submitting the bylaw amendment as the bylaws require that five general members submit bylaw changes. Five members were found to submit the amendment.

Meeting adjourned at 3:26 pm.

Arisia 97 Announcement & Report

Submitted by Pat to the Concom Mailing List.

- We'll be having the first full concom meeting for Arisia '97 on Sunday, April 14th at 5PM. The meeting will be in the 4th floor meeting room of Wheatly Hall at UMass Boston.
- On other fronts, we now have a convention treasurer. Tim Roberge has volunteered to do this heavy task. Expect to see procedures for expense reporting and budgeting to be coming out within the next month or so.
- The final Division Head slot to be filled is Member Services. If you're interested, or would like more information on what I'll be expecting from Member Services, please drop me a line.
Arisia was intended from its inception to stand for certain ideals and values. Perhaps it is naught but a foolish conceit, or perhaps it is the most important thing about the organization. Regardless, it has become apparent that part of the "drift" or "loss of vision" that members from the founding years complain about is due simply to the fact that these core values have never been enumerated.

- **I)** THERE IS ROOM IN FANDOM FOR EVERYONE WHO LEAVES ROOM FOR OTHERS.

  Fandom has many diverse interests and activities, and not all fans are interested in all aspects. Arisia as an organization must support and encourage ALL aspects of fandom, without judgement or preference. Practical considerations are going to force us to make choices, but those choices should be guided not by our own preferences, but by the principles of fairness and diversity.

- **II)** ARISIA MUST OPERATE HONORABLY.

  (from the Webster Handy College Dictionary, 1981)

  _hon'or n. 1, high esteem; deferential admiration. 2, high reputation; credit for honesty, etc. 3, fidelity to principles or obligations; fairness in dealing; conformance with high standards of behaviour. 4, high rank, achievement, or distinction. [...]_

  As we see from the definition, honor covers a lot of ground - honesty, integrity, fairness, responsibility.

- **III)** ARISIA SHALL ALWAYS WORK TO CULTIVATE NEW IDEAS.

  The world is changing at an ever accelerating pace. New ideas and new ways of accomplishing old tasks evolve constantly. We must never get stuck in the rut of doing something because "that's the way it's always been done".

- **IV)** ARISIA IS S.O.F.T, NOT S.M.O.F.

  For those of you who don't know, SMOF means "Secret Masters Of Fandom". An acronym going back many years for those fans who supposedly secretly pull the strings. SOFT is a new term we coined which more accurately describes the role Arisia should perform: Stewards of Fannish Tradition. We don't own fandom, we don't own the convention - we simply hold it in trust for future fans. We are stewards of our time in Arisia, putting back into fandom some of what it has given us - hopefully MORE than it gave us.

Arisia 96 Comp List

What follows is the list that Phi sent to the mailing list of Arisia 96 Volunteers who submitted a timesheet. Contact Phi if you are missing.

Robert Acres  Christopher Amshey
Kriss Barnhart  Aaron Block
Bryttan Bradley  Jeremy Brown
Zachary Brown  Tina Butler
Scott Campanella  Benjamin Cline
Art Coleman  David Corriveau
Ed Council  Adrià Crum
Michael Ellis  Marshall Ellis
Shanti Fader  Fran Felix
Charles Galleria  Megan Gentry
Beth Goodman  Marc Gordon
Rich Hamel  Joanne Handwerger
Andrew Harasty  Eugene Heller
Joel Herda  Evan Jamieson
Jeffrey Jordan  Walter Kahn
Sheri Kaplowitz  Andrew Kaufman
Hans Kernast  Paul Kraus
Gale Latzko  Alex Latzko
Jacob Lefton  Ben Levy
Edward MacGregor  Sally Martin
Michael McAfee  Craig McDonough
Denise McMahon  John McMahon
Patrick Mc Cormack  Elka Tovah Menkes
Skip Morris  Tom Murphy
Mark Murray  William Powers
Kevin Price  Scott Robinson
Susanne Schroeder  Paul Selkirk
Jude Shabry  Nick Shectman
Cris Shuldiver  David Silber
Patty Silva  Rochelle Smith
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Jessica Stitson  Charles Sumner
Nora Temkin  Rorie Valdez
Pat Vandenberg  Walter Von Bosau
Al Walker  Mark Weaver
Brian Youmans  Anna Young

Mailing Lists
Arisia currently maintains a handful of mailing lists. The following is a list of these lists. If you wish to be included on a list, send email to Phi. Also, a number of these lists are mirrored at Tangent and can be read there.

- **info@arisia.org** or **arisia-info@arisia.org** or **arisia@arisia.org**

These address are used by non-arisia members to request information about Arisia.

- **staff@arisia.org** or **arisia-staff@arisia.org**

Used for general convention staff discussion.

- **fops@arisia.org** and **crackpots@arisia.org** and **fans@arisia.org**

General discussion groups, low traffic.

- **announce@arisia.org** or **concom-news@arisia.org** or **arisia-announce@arisia.org**

Members of this list receive Arisia announcements such as convention flyers and notices. This is not a discussion group.

- **answers@arisia.org** or **arisia-answers@arisia.org** or **info-answers@arisia.org** or **arisia-info-answers@arisia.org**

For submitting specific questions regarding Arisia. Members of this list are those people most helpful in solving various problems.

- **corp@arisia.org** or **arisia-corp@arisia.org**

The corporate mailing list. Only corporate members may be members of this list.

- **eboard@arisia.org**

Eboard discussion group. Only Eboard members may belong to this list.

- **artshow@arisia.org** or **arisia-artshow@arisia.org** or **info-artshow@arisia.org** or **artshow-info@arisia.org** or **arisia-info-artshow@arisia.org** or **arisia-artshow-info@arisia.org**

A response list handled by the Artshow staff. Members on this list are those most capable to handle question concerning the Arisia art show.

- **artshow-staff**

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**General discussion group for Art Show Staff.**

**Announcements**

The corporate mailing list has officially been reinstated. If you have email and did not receive a message telling you that you are on the corporate list, please send email to the clerk or phi.

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**Calendar of Events**

- **Weekend of March 22, 1996 - Concept '96** - WGOH Terry Pratchett, AGOH Bob Eggleton, FGOH Hal Clement. Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

**Sunday, April 9, 1996, 7:30 pm - E-Board Meeting** - Mandarin Restaurant, 332 Mass Ave. Cambridge. [Email Phi for directions if necessary.]

**Sunday, April 14, 1996, 5:00 pm - Arisia 97 Concom Meeting** - Umass Boston, 4th floor, Wheatley Hall.

**Tuesday, April 9, 1996, 7:30 pm - Corporate Meeting** - Umass Boston, 4th floor, Wheatley Hall.

**Weekend of May 16, 1996 - Conversion** - WGOH Nick Pollotta, AGOH Reed Waller. Deerfield, IL

**Wednesday, June 19, 1996, 7:30 pm - Corporate Meeting** - Umass Boston, 4th floor, Wheatley Hall.

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