



MENTOR

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Notices

The next corporate meeting will be held on Sunday, December 20 at 2pm at MIT building 66, first floor.

The quorum for the December meeting is 11 based on 51% of the average attendance of the last three meetings (19, 22, 20).

October 2009 Meeting Minutes

Date, Time, and Place: Meeting called to order on October 13 at 7:38 pm by Samantha Dings at the Cambridge Hyatt.

In attendance (20 members): Paul Aldred, Samantha Dings, Donald Eastlake III, Jill Eastlake, Lisa Hertel, Crystal Huff, Steve Huff, Allan Kent, Rick Kovalcik, Ben Levy, Ken London, Glenn MacWilliams, Skip Morris, Lia Olsborg, Karen Purcell, Noel Rosenberg, Sharon Sbarsky, Nicholas Shtetman, Mike Sprague, and Pat Vandenberg.

Proxies: David D'Antonio to Glenn MacWilliams, Mary Dumas to Paul Aldred, Carol London to Ken London, Susan Mozzicato to Rick Kovalcik, Tom Murphy to Steve Huff, Lia Olsborg to Rick Kovalcik, Rachel Silber to Nicholas Shtetman, Pete Thomas to Crystal Huff, and Carsten Turner to Ben Levy.

Corrections to the minutes: I reported the comps committee recommendation as a bylaws amendment when actually it was a policy amendment. *MSP (Kovalcik/Vandenberg, unanimous) to accept the corrections.*

Eboard report: Thank you all for your patience with me during my first meeting. The eboard approved lending radios to the 501st and Alderaan groups for the Woburn parade. The relaxacon 2010 hotel agreement has been approved, and will be June 4-5-6, the weekend after Memorial Day. If anyone is interested in becoming the 2010 relaxacon chair, please contact the eboard by December 11 and let us know. The eboard would like to thank the Hotel Search committee and those not on the committee who also contributed to the search and contract at the Westin Waterfront for 2011, 12, and 13.

President's report: I'd like to encourage more involvement in the corporation. If you want to get involved in committees please email president@ or eboard@ and we'd love to have your time and talent. The Clerk will publish a list of extant committees in the next Mentor.

VP's Report: no report.

Clerk's Report: no report.

Treasurer's Report: "we didn't spend much money this month, so nothing to report."

A09 Report: Cris has what we believe are final numbers but they have not been reported to the corporate treasurer yet.

A10 Report: Plans are progressing. We have a budget to consider tonight and a meeting in a week to discuss space allocation. *MP (unanimous) to increase the default cap for the Hyatt to 2300.* This will allow us to increase to 2500 at con by jumping through some small hoops. We can fit that many people in the Hyatt, so starting at 2300 is a better idea.

A10 treasury report: *MOVED budget as amended (slightly) in a handout at the meeting: Film Projector Rental is reduced from \$800 to \$500, and Musicians Travel and Shipping is combined and changed from \$1800 (total) to \$866 since we are splitting the costs with another convention. MS friendly to move the \$300 van rental from Events to Tech. MS friendly to set the contingency line item to \$750. Main motion passes by acclamation.*

A11 report: I continue to look forward to the help of all my friends in Arisia corporate.

CIC report: We are planning to get rid of some more of the older gear in storage. Rick is willing to serve as chair of CIC again.

Grant committee report: *Brookline Public Library grant proposal PASSES unanimously.*

Comps committee report: *MS (Kovalcik) to refer the policy amendment back to the comps committee with instructions to advise the corporate members by email as to the issues to be solved. Much discussion on the merits of the main motion ensues. Skip, Karen, and Ken volunteer for the comps committee. MSP (Kovalcik) to call the question. Motion referred back to committee overwhelmingly. MSP (Kovalcik/Vandenberg, with the blessing of the President) to appoint Skip as head of the new comps committee. Many corporate members present expressed their desire to participate, at least somewhat, in the refinement of this proposal.*

Old business: none.

New business: There is some discussion of how to handle Pete Thomas' proposal. *Moved (S. Huff) to direct the president to create a Bylaws Committee; dies for lack of a second* at around the same time that it is determined that the committee still exists until it is dissolved. *MSP (S. Huff/Kovalcik) to refer Pete's proposal to the Bylaws Committee.* Please let Samantha know if you would like to be on that committee.

MSP (Kovalcik/Purcell) to cancel the November meeting. Some discussion of the fact that this effectively means the comps committee recommendation will not apply to A10. Rick feels that it's too late for it to apply to A10 anyway.

Announcements:

One month from today is the New England Fan Experience at the Courtyard by Marriott Tremont Boston.

NESFA is having a Halloween open house at the NESFA clubhouse from 3pm to 7pm on October 31. We will have munchies and you can come look at our library, decorations, and renovations.

MSP (MacWilliams/chorus) to adjourn at 8:55 pm.

Treasurer's Reports

| September 30 th | | | Change vs prev month |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| Even Year - A10 | | \$12,459.53 | \$1,869.03 |
| Odd Year - A09 | | \$14,483.70 | -\$758.53 |
| Reserved/Unspent | | | |
| Two years expenses/CDs | \$35,092.10 | | \$43.87 |
| Grant Fund | \$5,000.00 | | \$0.00 |
| Relaxacon Memberships | \$0.00 | | \$0.00 |
| Capital Equipment Fund | \$1,755.90 | | \$0.00 |
| Voted Expenses (excludes budget) | \$950.00 | | -\$100.00 |
| Unspent Budget | \$11,541.34 | | -\$800.72 |
| Total Reserved | | \$54,339.34 | -\$856.85 |
| Unallocated Funds | | \$9,210.37 | -\$226.75 |
| Total Corporate Funds | | \$63,549.71 | -\$1,083.60 |
| Total Assets | | \$90,492.94 | \$26.90 |

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 pro-rated on a monthly basis for members joining during the year.

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

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 | Lia Olsborg |
| 5 | Skip Morris | 17 | Lisa Holsberg |
| 6 | Phi | 18 | Dave Belfer-Shevett |
| 7 | Michael Bergman | 19 | Skip Morris (spare) |
| 8 | Rick Kovalcik | 20 | Crystal Huff |
| 9 | September Isdell | 21 | Jill Eastlake |
| 10 | Hobbit | 22 | Noel Rosenberg |
| 11 | Landlord | 23-26 | Rick Kovalcik (spare) |
| 12 | Janet Stickle | | |

Membership Roster

This is the membership roster as of September 26, 2009. *Italic* indicates honorary members. **Bold Italic** indicates honorary members who have also paid (so they can vote or hold office).

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| Debra Aldred | Carole London |
| Paul Aldred | Ken London |
| <i>Rob Bazemore</i> | Glen MacWilliams |
| Emily Coombs | Skip Morris |
| <i>Brian Cooper</i> | Susan Mozzicato |
| David D'Antonio | Tom Murphy (Merv) |
| Samantha Dings | Pam Ochs |
| Mary Dumas | Lia Olsborg |
| Don Eastlake | Karen Purcell |
| Jill Eastlake | <i>Mary Robison</i> |
| <i>Tom Fish</i> | Noel Rosenberg |
| John Francini | Sharon Sbarsky |
| Lisa Goldstein | Nicholas Shectman (Phi) |
| Brendan Hertel | <i>Cris Shuldiner</i> |
| Lisa Hertel | Rachel Silber |
| Crystal Huff | Mike Sprague |
| Steve Huff | Pete Thomas |
| Allan Kent | Persis Thorndike |
| Rick Kovalcik | Pat Vandenberg |
| 'Zanne Labonville | *hobbit* |
| Ben Levy | Conor Walsh |

Executive Board

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| President Samantha Dings 3 Whirly Cir Hopkinton, MA 01748-2351 president@arisia.org | Arisia 2009 ConChair Jill Eastlake 155 Beaver St Milford, MA 01757 conchair@arisia.org |
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| | Arisia 2011 ConChair Crystal Huff PO Box 400928 Cambridge, MA 02140 |

Committees List

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| Grant Committee | Budget Committee |
| Bylaws Committee | Comp Policy Committee |
| Hotel Search Committee | Inventory Control Committee |
| Relaxacon Committee | Long Range Planning Committee |

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Upcoming Events and Meetings

Sunday, December 13 at 2pm: Arisia convention committee meeting at MIT. Tagging session to follow at Arisia storage.

Sunday, December 20 at 2pm: Arisia corporate meeting at MIT.

Sunday, January 3 at 2pm: Arisia convention committee meeting at the Hyatt.

Friday, January 15 through Monday, January 18: Arisia!

Sunday, January 17, time TBD: Arisia corporate meeting at the Hyatt.