



Mentor

The Newsletter of Arisia, Incorporated—Number 190—June 2011

Notices

The next meeting of Arisia, Inc will be held on Sunday, June 19 at 2pm at MIT building 66. **A corporate budget** (printed herein) **will be voted on at this meeting.** The quorum for the June meeting is 9 based on 51% of the average attendance of the last three meetings (18, 14, 19).

May 2010 Meeting Minutes

Date, Time, and Place: Meeting called to order by Rick Kovalcik at Chez Wood at 7:45 pm.

In Attendance (19 members): David D'Antonio, Dave Belfer-Shevett (non-member), Samantha Dings, Mary Dumas, Lisa Hertel, Crystal Huff, Rick Kovalcik, Ben Levy, Ken London, Alan McAvinney, Skip Morris, Tom Murphy, Lia Olsborg, Noel Rosenberg, Sharon Sbarsky, Nicholas Shteman, Rachel Silber, Kris Snyder, Mike Sprague, and *hobbit*

Proxies: Jill Eastlake to Mary Dumas, Steve Huff to Crystal Huff, Alex Latzko to Noel Rosenberg, Michael Leuchtenberg to Kris Snyder, Carol London to Ken London, Kim Riek to Crystal Huff, and Pete Thomas to Noel Rosenberg

Corrections to the minutes: none.

Eboard report (Rick Kovalcik):

The eboard has appointed Alan McAvinney as convention treasurer for 2012. The eboard has recommended Rachel Silber as convention chair. A secret ballot is requested for the approval by the membership. *The eboard* has discussed the membership cutoff policy with registration and *moves that the first registration cutoff in Convention Policies IV.b.2.a be moved from March 31 to May 31, beginning with Arisia 2013.* *Motion to amend (Hertel, Murphy) to eliminate the \$35 rate entirely PASSES.* *Motion to amend (Morris) to also increase the party discount rate to \$10 FAILS for lack of a second.* *Main motion PASSES 19-3.* *The result of the conchair approval vote is 19-4 in favor with one abstention.*

President: no report.

Vice President: no report.

Treasurer / Budget Committee report (Ben Levy): The fiscal year begins July 1, so I plan to have a new budget for the next meeting. If you have any comments or suggestions, please let me know.

Clerk: no report.

A11 report (Crystal Huff): Kim and I are meeting this weekend to go over numbers. We know of two outstanding expenses. Crystal exhorts people to get in their receipt and offers to collect them if anyone at the meeting has them. Josh Simpson is very excited and wants to know what other conventions he can go to.

A12 report: Cris is unable to make it to the meeting; his only report is that we now have a treasurer: Alan McAvinney.

A12 Treasurer: no report.

A13: no report.

CIC report (Rick Kovalcik): stuff came back from CostumeCon. Stuff will be going to Balticon. A summer decrufting is requested; please send mail to keys with ideas of what things should be decrufted. We have some plans to inventory and examine films. It's getting crowded in there. Mary asks if CIC has made progress on business that was referred to it concerning conventions not returning things properly, and using alternate storage options. CIC believes the current policies simply need to be enforced, and that our usage patterns don't work well with the proposed storage alternatives. There are some problems with the elevator, and a cheat sheet for how to make the elevator work well is requested.

Comps committee report: we are scheduling meetings for this summer.

Grant committee: no report.

Honors committee: no report.

IT committee report: Alex is in the process of migrating TF's mailing lists and he will do Arisia's mailing lists next.

LRP committee report: not present.

Relaxacon Search committee report: 25 people have completed the survey. Lisa summarizes. We'd like to get more input, especially from non-corporate staff members. Crystal offers to help improve the survey. Some particular questions are suggested. The relaxacon will not have a recommendation for a new hotel until after this year's Relaxacon.

Art Show Equipment committee report (Tom Murphy): We are gathering information about the carts so we can build more.

Relaxacon committee report (Crystal Huff): This year's Relaxacon will again be in the Corsair and Cross Rip. We will have a potluck dinner Friday night, brunch on Saturday and a cookout with hamburgers and hot dogs and other things

(including veggie options) Saturday night, and then breakfast on Sunday. I have some cooks lined up but could use more. I have volunteers lined up to bring nifty board games and organizing playing same. We currently have 13 rooms reserved vs 19 last year and 21 the year before. If you're coming, please reserve a room now. Sleeping in the hospitality house is not allowed. Also, if you have a hotel room, please buy memberships to the convention. Crystal is considering bringing her massage table if anyone would use it.

Old Business: none.

New Business:

Lisa asks when was the last time we had an audit? Phi thinks we had an external audit in 1994. No motion is made at this time.

MS (Snyder, Rosenberg) to allow reimbursing Stonekeep up to \$1000 per year for capital expenditures for registration equipment to cover hardware upgrades to printers, hosting servers, and equipment used at con. Arisia is currently the only user of this equipment, though other (small) conventions might use it as well in the future. MSP (Morris, Murphy) to refer to the budget committee, to be returned to the corporation by September.

MS (Rosenberg, Hertel) to sign a contract with the Corsair and Cross Rip if we don't have an alternate plan in place by July 31. Amended (Levy, friendly) to replace by instructing the eboard to sign the best Relaxacon contract they can negotiate. A long discussion ensues, during which Sharon offers to provide information to the Relaxacon Search Committee about other possible hotels. MSP (McAvinney, Morris) to amend by replacing to direct the Relaxacon Search Committee to report to the next corporate meeting with memos of understanding for two or three hotel alternatives. Main motion PASSES unanimously as amended.

MP (eboard) to set the time and place of the July meeting to July 24 at the home of Rick Kovalcik, meeting at 2pm, barbecue at 4pm, possible concom meeting to follow.

MPU (eboard) to set the time of the August meeting to August 30 at 7:30pm.

MPU (eboard) to set the time and place of the next Annual meeting to Sunday, September 25, at 2pm at MIT.

Announcements:

Noel is looking for someone to share a room with at Relaxacon, and also transportation from Boston or the western suburbs.

The clerk will be missing the June and July meetings and is looking for someone to take notes. (Lisa and Skip volunteer)

Merv is withdrawing his name from consideration to run the Student Art Contest for 2012.

NESFA is having a picnic on Labor Day at Larz Anderson Park in Brookline and all are invited.

Crystal would love to have lunch with people in Harvard Square now that she is working there.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.

Treasurer's Report

April 30 th			Change vs prev month
Even Year - A12		\$2,732.16	\$795.18
Odd Year - A11		\$49,672.27	-\$870.25
Reserved/Unspent			
Two years expenses/CDs	\$35,400.84		\$8.47
Grant Fund	\$0.00		\$0.00
Relaxacon Memberships	\$380.00		\$260.00
Capital Equipment Fund	\$813.82		\$0.00
Voted Expenses (excludes budget)	\$0.00		\$0.00
Unspent Budget	\$4,632.07		-\$1,245.67
Total Reserved		\$41,226.73	-\$6,332.73
Unallocated Funds		\$24,873.42	\$6,332.73
Total Corporate Funds		\$66,100.15	\$0.00
Total Assets		\$118,504.58	-\$75.07

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

Committees List

Budget Committee: Ben Levy (chair), Kim Riek, Alan McAvinney	Honors Committee: Nicholas Shectman (chair)
Grant Committee: Noel Rosenberg (chair), Samantha Dings, Rachel Silber, Mike Sprague, David D'Antonio	Comps Committee: Kris Snyder (chair), Samantha Dings, David D'Antonio, Lisa Hertel, Crystal Huff, Skip Morris, Mary Dumas, Mike Sprague
Relaxacon Search Committee: Samantha Dings (chair), Mary Dumas, Lisa Hertel.	Inventory Control Committee: Rick Kovalcik (chair), Lia Olsborg, Skip Morris, hobbit, Lisa Hertel
IT Committee: Alex Latzko (chair), Noel Rosenberg.	Long Range Planning Committee: Jill Eastlake (chair)

Proposed Arisia 2011-2012 Corporate Budget

	2011-2012	2010-2011	(As of May 30, 2011)	
. Income		Budget	Actual	Over/Under
. Dues	\$1,000	\$1,000.00	\$1,169.00	\$169.00
. Interest	\$100	\$180.00	\$122.43	-\$67.66
. A'12 Convention Payment	\$11,000	\$10,745.00		\$0.00
. Total Income	\$12,100	\$11,925.00	\$1,291.43	\$101.34
. A12 Convention Excess Proceeds	\$0	\$0.00	\$0.00	
. Expenses		Budget	Spent	Over/Under
. Rent (\$825/ \$850) per month	-\$10,350	-\$10,050.00	-\$9,200.00	\$850.00
. Mailbox (paid through 2/2011)	-\$100	-\$95.00	-\$92.00	\$3.00
. Liability Insurance	-\$1,000	-\$1,000.00	-\$780.00	\$220.00
. Arisia Convention(-\$600)				
. Relaxacon (-\$600)				
. Arisia Storage (-\$1,500)				
. Student Art Contest Prizes	-\$800	-\$800.00	-\$800.00	\$0.00
. SAC Admin, Marketing, and Mass Mailer	-\$500	-\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
. Mentor – Postage and Copying	-\$600	-\$600.00	-\$77.25	\$522.75
. Admin	-\$200	-\$200.00	-\$18.50	\$181.50
. Supplies	-\$300	-\$300.00	-\$72.18	\$227.82
. Domain Name (Now paid through 2015)	\$0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
. Server Hosting	\$0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
. Credit Card/Paypal Fees	-\$200	-\$100.00	-\$210.56	-\$110.56
. Contingency Fund	-\$2,000	-\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
. Summer BBQ	-\$300	-\$250.00	-\$223.02	
. Total Expenses	-\$16,350	-\$15,895.00	-\$11,250.49	\$3,544.51
. diff	-\$4,250			

Executive Board

President Rick Kovalcik 19 Chesley Rd Newton Centre, MA 02459 president@arisia.org	Arisia 2011 ConChair Crystal Huff PO Box 400928 Cambridge, MA 02140 chair@arisia.org
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Clerk Nicholas "phi" Shectman 75 Lexington Ave Somerville, MA 02144 clerk@arisia.org	Arisia 2012 Treasurer Alan McAvinney 52 Elm St Somerville, MA 02143

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.

Key	Holder	Key	Holder
1	lost	14	Lisa Hertel
2	Alex Latzko	15	Ben Levy
3	Skip Morris	16	Lia Olsborg
4	lost	17	Lisa Holsberg
5	Skip Morris	18	Dave Belfer-Shevett
6	Phi	19	MERV
7	Michael Bergman	20	Crystal Huff
8	Rick Kovalcik	21	Jill Eastlake
9	lost	22	Noel Rosenberg
10	Hobbit	23	Michael Trachtenberg
11	Landlord	24	Dan Noe
12	lost	25	Rick Kovalcik (spare)
13	Persis Thorndike	26	Rick Kovalcik (spare)

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Upcoming Events and Meetings

Sunday, June 19: Arisia Corporate Meeting at 2pm at MIT building 66.

July 8-10: Connecticon in Hartford, CT

July 14-17: Readercon in Burlington, MA

Sunday, July 24: Arisia Corporate Meeting at 2pm at the home of Rick Kovalcik. Barbecue at 4pm, possible concom meeting to follow.

August 17-21: Worldcon in Reno, NV

Tuesday, August 30: Arisia Corporate Meeting at 7:30pm.

September 5: NESFA picnic at 3pm at Larz Anderson Park in Brookline

September 17-18: New England ComicCon at the Hynes

Sunday, September 25: Arisia Annual meeting at 2pm at MIT. Note: This is not the usual weekend.

October 21-23: Albacon in Albany, NY