



Mentor

The Newsletter of Arisia, Incorporated—Number 192—SEPTEMBER 2011

Notices

The next meeting of Arisia, Inc will be held on Sunday, September 25 at 2pm at MIT building 66. The quorum for the September meeting is 10 based on 51% of the average attendance of the last three meetings (15, 16, 23).

Officer elections will be conducted at this meeting. Nominations so far: Rick Kovalcik and Tom Murphy for President, Noel Rosenberg for Vice President, Ben Levy for Treasurer. Nominations will also be taken from the floor.

September 2011 Meeting Minutes

Date, Time, and Place: Meeting called to order by Rick Kovalcik at the NESFA clubhouse at 7:38pm on August 30, 2011.

In attendance (23 members): Emily Coombs, Mary Dumas, Brendan Hertel, Lisa Hertel, Crystal Huff, Steve Huff, Rick Kovalcik, Alex Latzko, Ben Levy, Ken London, Alan McAvinney, Skip Morris, Tom Murphy, Lia Olsborg, Noel Rosenberg, Sharon Sbarsky, Nicholas Sheckman, Cris Shuldiner, Rachel Silber, Kris Snyder, Mike Sprague, Pat Vandenberg, and Conor Walsh.

Proxies: Paul Aldred to Crystal Huff, Michael Leuchtenburg to Kris Snyder, Carol London to Ken London, and later Conor Walsh to Crystal Huff.

Corrections to the minutes: the June minutes were mislabeled as having occurred in 2010, not 2011.

Eboard report (Rick Kovalcik and Nicholas Sheckman): We agreed to lend radios to Intervention in Maryland in September. We voted to lend lighting equipment and credit card machines to PiCon. We consensed that we would help out PiCon if they needed it. We tentatively accepted a donated upright freezer. We voted to lend coolers to Tem. We voted to lend Fast Track materials to Beyond IQ conference. We voted to let Tem store things in our freezers (but she didn't actually do so). We voted to have Catelyn Johnson catalog the films for up ten hours at \$10/hour.

President: no report.

Vice President: no report.

Treasurer's report (Ben Levy):

We spend a bunch of money on art show rolling cases.

Budget Committee report (Ben Levy):

We were asked to look at a motion to reimburse Stonekeep up to \$1000/year for expenses. The consensus was that we should pay him for services, rather than for hardware, and that it should be a convention expense and not a corporate expense.

Clerk's report (Nicholas Sheckman):

As you may already have noticed, Arisia email is now being handled by a pair of new servers, run by a commercial hosting company that provides free service for nonprofits like us. My apologies for the hiccups along the way -- there was a short period during which a number of Arisia email addresses did not work, and I still have some cleanup to restore the correct moderators for some of our mailing lists.

Many thanks to all of the people who helped out with this process, including Alex Latzko, Noel Rosenberg, Ben Levy, Cris Shuldiner, and Rick Kovalcik, but especially to Dwight Ernest for hosting us on his machine for all of these years and being very quick with the access we needed when we needed it, and to Tim Pierce, who put a ton of work into the transition even though he never signed up for this job.

I have updated the policies and bylaws on the Arisia web site. There are still a few errors, which I expect to fix in the next few days. But I might not know about all of them, so please feel free to take a look.

Memberships expire at the end of August. If you have not done so already please renew your membership. Your membership status is printed on the address label of MENTOR.

A11 final report (Crystal Huff):

Income was \$101199 and expenses were \$76009 including corporate expenses, for a net of \$25190. Thank you to Kim Riek for getting the books closed and I wish her well in her recovery from a major surgery. I had a great time being chair. I would totally do it again, after a long time. MSP (Murphy, chorus) to thank the con chair and her staff for a great convention.

A12 report (Cris Shuldiner):

We have a concom meeting coming up in the Douglas room at the Westin on the 11th of September at 2:00, with a tour at 1:00pm. We hope to end by 4:00.

A12 Treasurer's report (Alan McAvinney):

We have a budget. Alan answers a number of questions about particular line items.

MSP (Shectman, Rosenberg, many:1) to amend the hotel rooms expense replacing \$3125 with \$1200.

MSPU (Sbarsky, Murphy) to move Masquerade Green Room from Hotel to Events and increase the amount to \$500.

MSPU (Morris, Shuldiner) to move ASCAP/BMI from Treasury to Exhibits.

The president instructs the Clerk to correct any spelling errors in the budget.

MSPU (Rosenberg, Hertel) to rename "Drape from Albany" to "Additional Drape".

MS (Hertel, Morris) to move Art Show Security from Operations to Art Show is WITHDRAWN.

MSPU (Walsh, Vandenberg) to increase Beverage Purchase from \$1000 to \$2000.

MSPU (Silber, Hertel) to raise the Thursday Night Event line item from \$400 to \$650.

MS (Murphy, Vandenberg) to move T-shirts from Publications to Volunteers and raise the amount from \$2900 to \$3500.

Motion is SPLIT. Motion to Relocate to Ops FAILS. Motion to increase to \$3500 PASSES unanimously.

MSPU (Shectman, Walsh) to merge the Amex and MC/Visa lines into "Credit card fees".

MS to increase Registration Forms to \$125. MSP (Murphy, Shectman) to amend to \$200. Main budget amendment PASSES.

MS (Shuldiner, Latzko) to change the staff T-shirts line item to \$0 FAILS.

MS (Latzko, Shectman) to increase Registration Badges to \$2800. MS (Morris, Vandenberg) to defer the badge price question to next month's meeting FAILS many:1. MSP (Murphy, Snyder, many:1) to replace the Latzko motion by adding a line item of \$1000 for registration services. Main Motion PASSES (this means badges are still \$1800 and there is a new \$1000 line item).

MSP (McAvinney, Shectman, many:1) to further reduce the hotel rooms expense to \$0.

M (Shectman) to reduce furniture removal from \$250 to \$125 FAILS for lack of a second.

MS (Rosenberg, Levy) to reduce the beverage budget from \$2000 to \$1500. MSP (Murphy, Walsh) to replace \$1500 with \$1900. Main motion PASSES (beverage budget has now been increased by \$900 since the beginning of the meeting).

Budget as amended passes, many:1.

A13 report (Rachel Silber): I have been talking to potential guests of honor.

Art Show Equipment Committee report (Tom Murphy):

We're spending money. We're building road cases. After they're assembled, we'll buy stuff to put in them.

CIC report (Rick Kovalcik):

Stuff went to Reno and is on its way back. Stuff went to PiCON and is on its way back.

Comps Committee report (Kris Snyder):

A motion (as follows) has been presented in email, but is not voted on at this meeting.

MOVED to add to Arisia Convention Policies:

IV.E.4 (New)

i. Program participants are authorized a full weekend membership for sitting on 3 or more programming items. For program participants on 1-2 programming items, they are awarded a single-day membership for the day of the item.

ii. Event participants (performers and support personnel) are authorized a single-day membership for the day of their event. Event participants who participate in 3 or more event items shall be awarded a full weekend membership. One to two organizers per event are authorized a full-weekend membership.

iii. If a program participant is also an event participant, any events they participate in counts as a programming item for the purpose of a comp membership.

IV.E.5 (new)

Game masters scheduled to run 4 or more hours of gaming for 4 or more players earns a full weekend membership. Any game master schedule for less time/people may purchase an upgraded membership as if they had received a single-day membership.

IV.E.6 (new)

Single-day comped membership may be upgraded to a full weekend memberships for the price of the first available pre-reg rate.

IV.E.7 (new)

Exceptions to this policy require authorization from the con-chair or his/her delegate. Exceptions shall be summarized to the corporation.

Grants Committee report (Noel Rosenberg):

We have received a grant proposal from the J. V. Fletcher library in Westford.

Honors Committee: No report.

IT Committee (Alex Latzko):

Everything got moved off of MSB to Dreamhost. This also moots the backup issue that was brought up 8 months ago because Dreamhost does regular backups of stuff.

Long Range Planning Committee: Not present.

Old business: none.

New business:

MSP (Huff, McAvinney) that it is the sense of the corporation that Arisia, Inc should formalize its relationship with Stonekeep and that the eboard should bring a motion to the floor at or before the October meeting.

MSPU (Shectman, Murphy) to give \$130 to Dwight Ernest to pay for turning his machine back on for us.

M (Dumas) to set the November meeting to November 13 FAILS for lack of a second.

MSPU (Murphy) to set the November meeting to November 20 at 2pm at MIT.

MSPU (Shuldiner, Latzko) to adjourn at 10:05pm.

Committees List

Budget Committee: Ben Levy (chair), Kim Riek, Cris Shuldiner, Jill Eastlake, Don Eastlake, and Alex Latzko	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)

Executive Board

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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 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	Catelyn Johnson
13	Persis Thorndike	26	Rachel Silber

Membership List (as of 8/31/2011)

Aaron Agassi	Brendan Hertel	Mary Robison
Debra Aldred	Lisa Holsberg	Noel Rosenberg
Paul Aldred	Crystal Huff	Richard Schmeidler
Melissa Beetham	Jeanne Kahn	Nicholas Shectman
Bridget Boyle	Rick Kovalcik	Cris Shuldiner
Emily Coombs	Zanne Labonville	Rachel Silber
Brian Cooper	Michael Leuchtenberg	Kristen Snyder
David D'Antonio	Benjamin Levy	Mike Sprague
Jack Dietz	Carol London	Janet Stickle
Samantha Dings	Skip Morris	Erwin Strauss
Jan Dumas	Susan Mozzicato	Julia Suggs
Mary Dumas	Tom Murphy	Persis Thorndike
Don Eastlake	Pam Ochs	Pat Vandenberg
Tom Fish	Sheila Oranch	Al Walker
John Francini	Karen Purcell	Conor Walsh
Lisa Goldstein	Kim Riek	

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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

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Upcoming Events and Meetings

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.

Tuesday, October 18: Arisia Corporate meeting at 7:30pm at the home of Rick Kovalcik.

November 18-20: Philcon in Cherry Hill, NJ

Sunday, November 20: Arisia Corporate meeting at 2pm at MIT.

January 13-16, 2012: ARISIA at the Westin Waterfront

February 17-19, 2012: Boskone at the Westin Waterfront

August 30-September 3, 2012: Worldcon in Chicago, IL