



Mentor

The Newsletter of Arisia, Incorporated—Number 207—JULY 2013

Notices

The next meeting of Arisia, Inc will be held on Sunday, July 21 at 2pm at the home of Rick Kovalcik. The quorum for this meeting is 11 based on 51% of the average attendance of the last three meetings (26, 15, 23). At this meeting, the executive board will be reporting a decision to permanently ban someone from attending Arisia.

June 2013 Meeting Minutes

Date, Time and Place: Meeting called to order by Rick Kovalcik at 3:43pm at MIT building 66.

Present (23 members): Joshua Adams (non-member), Bridget Boyle, Anna Bradley, David D'Antonio, Mary Dumas, Jaime Garmendia, Lisa Hertel, Terry Holt, Rachel Kadel-Garcia, Allan Kent, Rick Kovalcik, Kathryn Kun, Ben Levy, Craig McDonagh (non-member), Kris Pelletier (new member), Noel Rosenberg, Sharon Sbarsky, Nicholas Shectman, Kris Snyder, Mike Sprague, Persis Thorndike, Amol Vaidya (new member), Pat Vandenberg, hobbit, Conor Walsh, and Jim Zavaglia (non-member).

Proxies: Dawn Ash to Jaime Garmendia, Samantha Dings to David D'Antonio, Crystal Huff to Conor Walsh, Jeanne Kahn to Bridget Boyle, Walter Kahn to Bridget Boyle, Alex Latzko to Sharon Sbarsky, Dale Meyer-Curley to Kris Snyder, Skip Morris to David D'Antonio, Tom Murphy to Noel Rosenberg, Lia Olsborg to Rick Kovalcik, and Rachel Silber to Terry Holt. A proxy sent by Peter Olszowka could not be held.

Corrections to the minutes: none.

Eboard (Rick Kovalcik): Has anyone here done any research into alternative venues for relaxacon? No. Based on the lack of other alternatives, and on getting the same terms (room rates, no charge for the house and no room rental minimum), *MP many-1* to authorize Rick Kovalcik to finalize an agreement with the *Corsair* and *Cross Rip* for next year's Relaxacon.

We picked up a donated freezer and are in the process of picking up another donated freezer. Not all of the freezers will necessarily come to con.

President (Rick Kovalcik): Sorry I was late. It's hot out there.

VP (Conor Walsh): It's really hot. There's ice and cups.

Treasurer (Ben Levy): We have a corporate budget to talk about. *Corporate budget passes many-1 with two abstentions.* We expect to start with the audit of the A12 books once the

budgets are both approved. We'll try to finish it by the end of August. We're not sure when was the last time we did an audit.

Clerk: no report.

A13: no report.

A13 Treasury: no report.

A14 (Lisa Hertel): We're still negotiating with PSAV over the truss. Sharon is stepping down as assistant chair to take over as head of Events. We have a budget.

A14 Treasury (Rachel Kadel-Garcia): We have a budget. We would like to make two amendments to the budget as published: under Exhibits *amend Art Show admin from \$150 to \$250*, and under Member Services *amend Promotions admin from \$25 to \$80*. The new bottom line is \$1177. *Amendments pass unanimously. MSP (D'Antonio, Boyle) to amend Art Show income from \$3500 to \$3200.* Some money-saving suggestions are brought up but no motion is made. *A14 budget passes 26-0.*

CIC (Rick Kovalcik): We have gotten the radios back from Big Apple Ponycon and are inventorying them. I put the extra A13 publications on top of the balcony. Skip suggested some new totes. The eboard has asked for more information. We think these are opaque flip top totes, which are good in the cold but bad in the wet. If you think you need new totes, send mail to CIC about what you need. We have a volunteer (Craig McDonough) who is willing to inventory storage after Worldcon and wants a key, and Anna needs a key, and Craig McDonough has also volunteered to record load-in and load-out procedures. We need to update the CIC committee list in Mentor.

Grants: There are no outstanding grant requests.

Honors: No report.

Hotel Search (Noel Rosenberg): The Boston Park Plaza has been sold again, to the owners of the Marriott Long Wharf and other hotels. Donald Saunders, who was still a minor investor after the previous sale, is no longer an investor.

Comps: No report.

IT (Noel Rosenberg): Ben and I have been working with the Zambia folks to get them up and running. hobbit is willing to help out in various ways.

LRP (Nicholas Shectman): We tried to schedule a meeting at the beginning of the month but didn't succeed in actually meeting. We will be trying again with a Doodle Poll in the next few weeks.

Meeting Search (Bridget Boyle): We published a survey. Every current and past corporate member is encouraged to respond. Please respond based on your own personal needs. There is some discussion about where else to send the survey besides the corporate mailing list.

Relaxacon (Rick Kovalcik): Abby is willing to do food again next year. If you're interested in doing food, helping with food, or chairing the whole shebang please contact Rick. This year's relaxacon made about \$150.

Student Art Contest: Jacob Lefton will be doing SAC again next year.

Old business: Has there been any forward progress on the scholarship fund? There have been no donations. The corporation has set aside \$200 in matching funds, and the eboard was authorized to administer the funds. The idea was that this would be for general attendees and that the amount of money wasn't likely to be enough to cover much more than memberships. The last we spoke with Victor, he and Eugene were thinking of going off and doing a scholarship fund separately, and if they do we would publicize that. It would be useful to publicize the match. But we should have some consensus on what this fund is actually for. The eboard will consider this and report back.

New Business: Is there a committee for the student writing contest? Not currently. This is waiting for a head. Terry Holt volunteers to run it. *Rick appoints Terry Holt to the Student Writing Committee (and this is approved unanimously).*

MSPU (Conor, chorus) to allocate \$100 to give to Camelot as a thank you for use of their kitchen for A13, and \$100 to give to Mosaic as a thank you for the use of their kitchen in A12. There are two abstentions.

Announcements: Sunday July 21 at 2pm is the corporate meeting and barbecue at Rick Kovalcik's house. The July 28 concom date published in Mentor is incorrect; that meeting will be Sunday July 21 at 4pm.

Tuesday August 13 at 7:30pm there will be a corporate meeting, probably at NESFA.

Sunday September 8 at 1pm at the hotel there will be a concom meeting.

Sunday September 15 at 2pm there will be the annual corporate meeting at MIT.

M (Dumas, D'Antonio) to move the annual meeting from the 15th to the 22nd. M (Kovalcik, friendly) to amend to the 29th. Main motion PASSES.

October 20 there will be a concom meeting at the hotel. November and December meetings are currently also scheduled to be Sundays at the hotel. The January concom meeting will be on a Sunday at the hotel.

NESFA will be holding a picnic next Sunday at the Lars Anderson Park in Brookline. Please come and eat NESFA's food and drink Arisia's leftover soft drinks from Relaxacon.

Nauticon will be September 13-15 in Provincetown. 21+.

Gaylaxicon is coming back to Boston in 2014. It will be July 3-6, 2014. We are in final hotel negotiations now and are looking for volunteers.

July 11-14, 2013 is Readercon in Burlington, MA. Thursday is free to attend.

July 12-14, 2013 is Connecticon.

Conor sent out a document to staff-discuss about food procedures. This is about how we tend to do things and not just A14, so there might eventually be motions out of this. If this is something you care about please go take a look.

Meeting adjourned at 4:53pm.

Treasurer's Reports

April 30 th		Change vs March
Odd Year - A13	\$52,639.74	-\$8,417.87
Even Year - A14	\$3,488.49	\$0.00
Reserved/Unspent		
2+ years expenses (CDs)	\$35,586.68	\$7.33
Grant Fund	\$5,000.00	\$0.00
Capital Equipment Fund	\$1,690.64	-\$361.51
Relaxacon	\$660.24	\$57.78
Training Fund	\$1,789.00	\$0.00
Scholarship(?) Fund	\$0.00	
Voted Expenses (excludes budget)	\$1,294.62	\$0.00
Unspent Budget	\$2,787.78	-\$2,565.88
Total Reserved	\$48,808.96	-\$2,862.28
Unallocated Funds	\$20,241.15	\$2,870.60
Total Corporate Funds	\$69,050.11	\$8.32
Total Assets	\$125,178.34	-\$8,409.55

May 31 st		Change vs April
Odd Year - A13	\$49,421.22	-\$3,218.52
Even Year - A14	\$3,488.49	\$0.00
Reserved/Unspent		
2+ years expenses (CDs)	\$35,593.78	\$7.10
Grant Fund	\$5,000.00	\$0.00
Capital Equipment Fund	\$1,690.64	\$0.00
Relaxacon	\$1,080.20	\$419.96
Training Fund	\$1,789.00	\$0.00
Scholarship(?) Fund	\$0.00	
Voted Expenses (excludes budget)	\$1,294.62	\$0.00
Unspent Budget	\$1,822.77	-\$965.01
Total Reserved	\$48,271.01	-\$537.95
Unallocated Funds	\$19,606.97	-\$634.18
Total Corporate Funds	\$67,877.98	-\$1,172.13
Total Assets	\$120,787.69	-\$4,390.65

Total Corporate Income	\$8.12	-\$36.20
Total Corporate Expenses	-\$1,098.96	\$438.18

Committees List

Budget Committee: Ben Levy (chair), Rachel Kadel-Garcia, Alex Latzko, Alan McAvinney, Cris Shuldiner	Inventory Control Committee: Rick Kovalcik (chair), Lia Olsborg, Skip Morris, hobbit, Lisa Hertel
Grant Committee: Conor Walsh (chair), David D'Antonio, Samantha Dings, Mike Sprague, Anna Bradley	IT Committee: Alex Latzko (chair), Ben Levy, Skip Morris, Noel Rosenberg, Nicholas Shectman.
Comps Committee: Mike Sprague (chair), David D'Antonio, Kathryn Kun, Danielle Reese, Skip Morris, Jaime Garmendia	Meeting Space Committee: Janet Stickle (chair), Bridget Boyle, Dale Curley, Lisa Hertel, Terry Holt, Danielle Reese, Tanya Washburn
Relaxacon Committee: Abby Noyce and Kris Snyder (coheads)	Honors Committee: Nicholas Shectman (chair)
Student Art Contest Committee: Jacob Lefton	Long Range Planning Committee: Nicholas Shectman (chair), Sharon Sbarsky, Rachel Kadel-Garcia, Lisa Hertel, Mary Dumas, Conor Walsh, Tanya Washburn
Hotel Search Committee: Skip Morris (chair), Noel Rosenberg, Kris Snyder, Andrea Carney, Janet Stickle	

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

Key List

If you do not have a key and need to get into storage, email keys@arisia.org and all keyholders will get your request.

Key	Holder	Key	Holder
1	Landlord	12	Persis Thorndike
2	Noel Rosenberg	13	Rachel Silber
3	Skip Morris	14	Lisa Hertel
4	Craig McDonough	15	Ben Levy
5	Dave Shevett	16	Lia Olsborg
6	Phi	17	Anna Bradley
7	Dan Noe	18	Peter Olszowka
8	Michael Trachtenberg	19	Alex Latzko
9	Hobbit	20	David Shaw
10	Rick Kovalcik	21	Conor Walsh
11	Crystal Huff	22	Sharon Sbarsky

Membership List (as of 7/7/2013)

Dawn Ash	Rachel Kadel-Garcia	Kim Riek
<i>Rob Bazemore</i>	Jeanne Kahn	<i>Mary Robison</i>
Melissa Beetham	Walter Kahn	Noel Rosenberg
Bridget Boyle	Allan Kent	Sharon Sbarsky
Anna Bradley	Rick Kovalcik	Richard Schmeidler
Andrea Carney	Kathryn Kun	Paul Selkirk
<i>Brian Cooper</i>	Zanne Labonville	Jude Shabry
Tom Coveney	Alex Latzko	Nicholas Shectman
Dale Curley	Paul Letersky	Dave Shevett
David D'Antonio	Michael Leuchtenburg	Cara Lee Shockley
Kenneth Davis	Benjamin Levy	<i>Cris Shuldiner</i>
Samantha Dings	Carol London	Rachel Silber
Mary Dumas	Ken London	Kristen Snyder
Don Eastlake	Glenn MacWilliams	Mike Sprague
Jill Eastlake	Alan McAvinney	Janet Stickle
John Francini	Erik Meyer	Julia Suggs
Jaime Garmendia	Skip Morris	Pete Thomas
Joel Herda	Tom Murphy	Persis Thorndike
Brendan Hertel	Dan Noe	Amol Vaidya
Lisa Hertel	Pam Ochs	Pat Vandenberg
Lisa Holsberg	Lia Olsborg	LuAnn Vitalis
Terry Holt	Peter Olszowka	Al Walker
Crystal Huff	Sheila Oranch	Conor Walsh
Steve Huff	Kris Pelletier	Tanya Washburn
Fred Isaacs	James Pinkerton	Alexandra Wilkie
Ray Isaacs	Karen Purcell	
Suli Isaacs	Danielle Reese	

Upcoming Events and Meetings

July 11-14: Readercon in Burlington, MA

July 12-14: Connecticon in Hartford, CT

Sunday, July 21 at 2pm: Corporate meeting at Rick Kovalcik's house, followed at **4pm** by a Concom meeting.

Tuesday, August 13 at 7:30pm: Corporate meeting, location TBD

August 29-September 2: Worldcon in San Antonio, TX

Sunday, September 8 at 1pm: Concom meeting at the Westin Waterfront hotel.

September 13-15: Nauticon (21+) in Provincetown, MA

Sunday, September 29 at 2pm: Annual Corporate meeting at MIT building 66.

Sunday, October 20 at 1pm: Concom meeting at the Westin.

Sunday, Nov. 17 at 1pm: Concom meeting at the Westin.

Sunday, Dec. 15 at 1pm: Concom meeting at the Westin.

Sunday, Jan. 4, 2014 at 1pm: Final concom meeting for A14.

January 17-20, 2014: Arisia at the Westin Waterfront Hotel

July 3-6, 2014: Gaylaxicon in the Boston area

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