



# MENTOR

The Newsletter of Arisia, Incorporated—Number 218—June 2014  
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## Notices

The June Meeting of Arisia, Inc. will be held on Tuesday June 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM at the NESFA Clubhouse, 504 Medford St., Somerville. Please plan on arriving after 7 PM. Directions can be found at <http://www.nesfa.org/clubhouse>. The quorum for this meeting is 13 based on 51% of the average attendance of the last three meetings (26, 22, 25).

At this meeting we plan to vote on the Proposed 2014-2015 Corporate Budget which is printed later in this Mentor and available online at [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1nJXfVrGOk35wGBE\\_unSO2kXUozmgIjmMmgrLZ-Ml4PE/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1nJXfVrGOk35wGBE_unSO2kXUozmgIjmMmgrLZ-Ml4PE/edit?usp=sharing) or (short version) <http://tinyurl.com/2014ArisiaBudget>.

## May 18, 2014 Meeting Minutes

Date, Time, and Place: The meeting was called to order by David D'Antonio at 2:11 PM on 18 May 2014 at Room 26-168, MIT, Cambridge, MA.

In attendance (25 voting members): David D'Antonio, Mary Dumas, Dave Eareckson, Don Eastlake, Jill Eastlake, Lisa Hertel, Terry Holt, Crystal Huff, Steve Huff, Ray Isaacs, Suli Isaacs, Rick Katze, Rick Kovalcik, Kathryn Kun, Alex Latzko, Benjamin Levy, Ken London, Alan McAvinney, Dale Meyer-Curley, Nicholas Shectman, Sharon Sbarsky, Kris Snyder, Mike Sprague, Tom Traina, and Tanya Washburn.

Proxies: Peter Olszowka to David D'Antonio, Pat Vandenberg to David D'Antonio, Jude Shabry to Kris Snyder, Lia Olsborg to Rick Kovalcik, Persis Thorndike to Rick Kovalcik, Kris Pelletier to Dale Meyer-Curley (not present yet), Erik Meyer-Curley to Dale Meyer-Curley (not present yet), Dash to Susan Isaacs, Carole London to Ken London, Michael Leuchtenberg to Alan McAvinney, Joel Herda to Alex Latzko, Karen Purcell to Ben Levy, Anna Bradley to Crystal Huff, Jaime Garmendia to Mike Sprague, Noel Rosenberg to Ben Levy, Rachel Silber to Nicholas Shectman, Bridget Boyle to Alex Latzko, and Fred Isaacs to Suli Isaacs

People are reminder to please send all proxies to [corp@arisia.org](mailto:corp@arisia.org) as it is easier for us to find them all and it eliminates concerns about fraud.

Corrections to the minutes: None. (People agreed the motion to rescind the \$1000 for the purchase of credit card machines passed last meeting.)

Eboard Report (David D'Antonio):

The Eboard voted on a lifetime staff / volunteer ban for \_\_\_\_\_.

The Eboard voted to spend \$1000 for video gear at a "yard sale" being held by Cambridge Community Television. Peter O. attended and we spent slightly more than that (\$1040). The new video gear is in Arisia Storage. We need to go through it and make sure it all works.

We have obtained the [arisia.club](http://arisia.club) address. (Thanks to DDA for getting us this.)

Joe Ross was informed of his lifetime honorary membership in Arisia and received a plaque to that effect. He was pleased. The Eboard voted to lend lights to BIDA subject to usually terms.

The Eboard interviewed Kris Snyder and voted to appoint her Arisia 2016 ConChair subject to the approval of the membership. A secret ballot was called for. Kathryn Kun and Alex Latzko agreed to be tellers. The vote was held. The tellers left the room to count the ballots.

There has been a request from the Helsinki 2017 Worldcon Bid that Arisia enter into a Fiscal Sponsorship in order to provide Banking Services for them. Eboard so moved. Motion to table until New Business (Kovalcik, Latzko). Motion to table passes.

President's Report (Conor Walsh): Not present; no report.

Vice President's Report (David D'Antonio): No report.

Treasurer's Report (Ben Levy): We have money. See Mentor for details. The Corporate Budget will be printed in the next Mentor for voting on at the next meeting.

The tellers returned. Kris Snyder was confirmed as ConChair for Arisia 2016 by a vote of 40 to 2.

Clerk's Report (Rick Kovalcik): It is \$8 to join the Arisia Corporation this month if anyone wants to join.

Members-At-Large Reports (Anna Bradley, Kathryn Kun, Tanya Washburn): The two people present report that they are present and all is fine.

A14 Report (Lisa Hertel): Please get your expenses reports in and cash your checks. I want to close the A'14 Books. I will be getting together with Rachel Kadel-Garcia to work on that.

A14 Treasurer's Report (Rachel Kadel-Garcia): Not present; no report.

A15 Report (Mike Sprague): Jill has stepped down as Communication DH. We are planning parties at Wiscon, Pi-Con, and maybe Detcon. There will be a Div Head meeting (closed to the public) on Tuesday in this room (26-168).

A15 Treasurer's Report (Alex Latzko): I will be presenting a draft budget at Div Head Meeting on Tuesday. I found a good deal for tickets from Portland. So, I've bought the tickets for Lee Moyer and his assistant already.

Budget Committee (Ben Levy): Given as part of Treasurer's Report above.

CIC Committee (Rick Kovalcik): No real report. Things went to storage and returned. A small number of things (lights) are being lent to Balticon and should return in about a week.

Comps Committee (Mike Sprague): No report.

Grants Committee (David D'Antonio): We have a grant request from the Science Fiction Outreach Project for somewhere between \$2600 and \$3100. It was suggested that they look for other sources of funding including money from the Chicon Worldcon which seems to have a surplus. Motion to amend the amount of the grant to \$1800 total (Kovalcik, Eastlake). (The chair ruled that they were requesting \$3100 if the motion to amend failed.) Motion to amend passes about 36 to 5. Motion to amend to ask them to inform us where they give away books over the next year (Eastlake, Hertel). Motion to amend fails 16 to 17. Main motion passes many to none with 1 abstention.

Honors Committee (Rick Kovalcik for Joel Herda): Rich Macchi passed away suddenly. There will be a memorial on Saturday June 7th in Worcester. Please see the Facebook page for this (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/richmacchi>) or Persis for more information.

Hotel Search (Kris Snyder): No report.

IT Committee (Alex Latzko): No report.

Relaxacon Report (Rick Kovalcik):  
The dates for Relaxacon 2014 are Friday 30 May to Sunday 1 June. It will be fun. We met last night to have a planning meeting. Abby will be sending out a survey about food. Rick has made arrangements to hopefully get most of the Hugo-nominated videos there. Friday night dinner will be a potluck organized by Nchanter. Fred and Suli Isaacs have agreed to do the Saturday night dinner. If you are interested in doing another meal or just helping with food, please contact Abby. If you are interesting in attending, please call the hotel ASAP (1-800-345-5140 or 1-508-398-2279) to make a room reservation and sign up for your membership at <http://www.relaxacon.org>.

Student Art Contest: (Jacob Lefton): No report.

Student Writing Contest (Terry Holt): We have submitted a budget request for next year which will be included as part of the Corporate Budget next month. We are working on putting the winners up on the Corporate website. [This has now been done at <http://corp.arisia.org/SWC-Winners>.]

Old Business:

There was a motion to take up from the table the motion (4) from the Kumquat Committee (Kovalcik, Hertel). Passes many to 2.

Motion to amend to replace both occurrences of "plaintiff" with "the people making complaints" and add "When appropriate," before "we will work ..." and change "not restricted to" with "not limited to". (Levy, Hertel). After discussion the motion to amend passes many to none with 1 abstention.

Motion to amend to replace "treat the complaint as valid" with "take the complaints seriously" (D'Antonio, Kun). After discussion the motion to amend passes 24 to 15.

Motion to amend the line "We treat the people making complaints with respect, listen to them, and take the complaints seriously." to "Complaints will be taken seriously." (Latzko, Katze). After some discussion, the amendment was withdrawn.

Motion to call the question (Kovalcik, Shectman). Passes. The motion (4) now reads:

Move to add the following to convention policies:

The Convention Committee is required to establish and document a procedure that is publicly accessible for taking incident reports, including but not limited to violations of Arisia's code of conduct, during the convention.

The procedure will support the following:

We take all complaints into consideration.

We may initiate significant action in response to a single complaint.

We are careful to correctly identify persons in the complaint.

We treat the people making complaints with respect, listen to them, and take the complaints seriously.

When appropriate, we work to bring about a resolution which mitigates future harm (so far as is possible).

An offending party will be told there is a complaint against them but the source of the complaint will not be identified, nor will that person be given an opportunity to confront the person making the complaint.

In cases where it is possible for an offense to be redressed and where the people making complaints would like such an action, we will if possible help this to occur.

A secret ballot was requested. The motion (4) passes 32 to 8 with 2 abstentions.

New Business:

Motion to change convention policies to set the Art Show Rates to \$28 per panel and \$36 per table with \$18 for either a half-panel or half-table and eliminate quarter-panels and quarter-tables (Shectman, Latzko). Passes unanimously.

Motion to set policy that proxies should be sent by email to [corp@arisia.org](mailto:corp@arisia.org) or presented in person by the person granting the proxy (Kovalcik, Latzko). It was pointed out that this was out of order as what this is trying to change is in the bylaws.

Move to authorize the Eboard to enter into an agreement with the current venue for Relaxacon 2015. (Kovalcik, Steve Huff). After discussion, there was a friendly amendment to add "and to direct the President to constitute a committee to look for venues for Relaxacon 2016". Passes many to 3.

A bylaws amendment signed by six people was presented which read "Motion to change bylaws that proxies should be sent by the person granting the proxy by email to corp@arisia.org or presented at the meeting by the person granting the proxy." After some discussion, especially about what happens if the corp email list is down, it was withdrawn with the agreement of those present.

Motion to set the initial attendance cap for Arisia 2015 from 3450 to 3650 by changing the number in Convention Policy Va6 (Sprague, Snyder). After discussion, there was a friendly amendment to change the number to 3800. Passes many to none with 1 abstention.

Motion to take the Helsinki 2017 Fiscal Sponsorship Issue off the table (Steve Huff, Snyder). Passes.

The motion reads moved: That Arisia will enter into a Fiscal Sponsorship with the of the US Branch of "Helsinki in 2017" Worldcon bid committee in order to providing banking and other similar support.

Motion to amend that the signatories on the account be Ben and his designate but not anyone directly associated with the Helsinki bid (Katze, Latzko). This was accepted as a friendly amendment.

Motion that any signatories on the account not be associated with any 2017 Worldcon bid. (Steve Huff, Withdrawn). More discussion followed.

Motion to call the question (Kovalcik, Steve Huff). Passes.

There was a request for a secret ballot.

The main motion passes 35 to 5 against with 1 abstention.

#### Announcements:

The Helsinki in 2017 Bid thanks Arisia.

June Corporate meeting is scheduled for Tuesday June 10th at 7:30 PM at NESFA.

July Corporate meeting is currently scheduled for Sunday July 20th at 2 PM at MIT.

August Corporate meeting is scheduled for Sunday August 3rd at a time TBD at Rick Kovalcik's home in Newton.

Conor has said he will be sending out a poll about the September Corporate Annual meeting but it seems that we might want to have it on Sunday September 28th to avoid some other things.

As stated above, Rich Macchi passed away suddenly. There will be a memorial on Saturday June 7th in Worcester. Please see the Facebook page for this (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/richmacchi>) or Persis for more information.

If you need fliers for Arisia 2015, see Rick Kovalcik. He has some extras now and can print more. (Duh.)

Arisia 2015 Staff Services is organizing Ice Cream and Miniature Golf on Sunday June 8th at Richardson's in Middleton. RSVP to [staffservices@arisia.org](mailto:staffservices@arisia.org) by 24 May.

Lisa Hertel announced that she is now Publications Div Head for Detcon. She is looking for a room share and membership. Please see her.

Mary is looking for people to work the Pop Culture Expo. Please see her for more details.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:16 PM.

## Membership List (as of 5/27/2014)

Strikethrough (~~like this~~) indicates expired memberships. Italics (*like this*) indicates honorary (non-voting) members.

Dawn Ash	Jeanne Kahn	Sheila Oranch
<i>Rob Bazemore</i>	Walter Kahn	Tony Orlandella
Melissa Beetham	Terry Karney	Kris Pelletier
Bridget Boyle	Rick Katze	Karen Purcell
Anna Bradley	Allan Kent	Josh Rachlin
Andrea Carney	Rick Kovalcik	Danielle Reese
<i>Brian Cooper</i>	Kathryn Kun	Noel Rosenberg
Tom Coveney	Zanne Labonville	<i>Joseph Ross</i>
David D'Antonio	Alex Latzko	Sharon Sbarsky
Samantha Dings	Jacob Lefton	Richard Schmeidler
Mary Dumas	Paul Letersky	Micah Schneider
Don Eastlake	Michael Leuchtenburg	Jude Shabry
Jill Eastlake	Benjamin Levy	Nicholas Shectman
Daniel Eareckson	Carol London	<i>Cris Shuldiner</i>
John Francini	Ken London	David Silber
Jaime Garmendia	Glenn MacWilliams	Rachel Silber
Joel Herda	Alan McAvinney	Kris Snyder
Brendan Hertel	Amos Meeks	Mike Sprague
Lisa Hertel	James Meickle	Janet Stickle
Terry Holt	Dale Meyer-Curley	Persis Thorndike
Crystal Huff	Erik Meyer-Curley	Tom Traina
Steve Huff	Lori Mortimer	Amol Vaidya
Fred Isaacs	Dan Noe	Pat Vandenberg
Ray Isaacs	Abby Noyce	Al Walker
Suli Isaacs	Lia Olsborg	Conor Walsh
Rachel Kadel-Garcia	Peter Olszowka	Tanya Washburn
		Alexandra Wilkie

## Committee Lists

<b>Budget Committee:</b> Ben Levy (chair), Rachel Kadel-Garcia, Alex Latzko, Alan McAvinney	<b>IT Committee:</b> Alex Latzko (chair), Ben Levy, Skip Morris, Noel Rosenberg, Nicholas Shectman
<b>Comps Committee:</b> Mike Sprague (chair), David D'Antonio, Kathryn Kun, Danielle Reese, Skip Morris, Jaime Garmendia	<b>Ombuds Committee:</b> Rachel Silber (chair), Anna Bradley, David D'Antonio, Jaime Garmendia, Rick Kovalcik, Kathryn Kun, Sharon Sbarsky, Kris Snyder
<b>Grant Committee:</b> David D'Antonio (chair), Fred Isaacs, Noel Rosenberg	<b>Long Range Planning Committee:</b> (vacant)
<b>Honors Committee:</b> Joel Herda (chair), Bridget Boyle, Rick Kovalcik	<b>Relaxacon Committee:</b> Rick Kovalcik
<b>Hotel Search Committee:</b> Kris Snyder (chair), Ben Levy, Rachel Silber	<b>Student Art Contest Committee:</b> Jacob Lefton
<b>Inventory Control Committee:</b> Rick Kovalcik (chair), Lia Olsborg, Skip Morris, hobbit, Lisa Hertel	<b>Student Writing Contest Committee:</b> Terry Holt (chair), Kris Pelletier, Anna Bradley, Mike Sprague

## 2013-2014 Executive Board (Eboard)

President	Conor Walsh	president@arisia.org
Vice President	David D'Antonio	vicepresident@arisia.org
Corporate Treasurer	Benjamin Levy	treasurer@arisia.org
Clerk	Rick Kovalcik	clerk@arisia.org
Members-At-Large	Anna Bradley Kathryn Kun Tanya Washburn	tpau@arisia.org kathryn@arisia.org tanya@arisia.org
Arisia '14 Conchair	Lisa Hertel	conchair@arisia.org
Arisia '14 Treasurer	Rachel Kadel-Garcia	con-treasurer@arisia.org
Arisia '15 Conchair	Mike Sprague	conchair@arisia.org
Arisia '15 Treasurer	Alex Latzko	con-treasurer@arisia.org

## Storage 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	16	Lia Olsborg
2	Noel Rosenberg	17	Anna Bradley
3	Skip Morris	18	Peter Olszowka
4	Craig McDonough	19	Alex Latzko
5	Dave Shevett	20	David Shaw
6	Phi	21	Conor Walsh
7	Dan Noe	22	Sharon Sbarsky
8	Michael Trachtenberg	23	Lucky
9	Hobbit	24	Pat Vandenberg
10	Rick Kovalcik	25	Lisa Hertel
11	Crystal Huff	26	Arthur Ercolini
12	Persis Thorndike	27	Benjamin Levy
13	Rachel Silber	28	Angela Morley
14	Janet Stickle	29	David Silber
15	Mike Sprague	30	Spare

## 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.

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

## Upcoming Events and Meetings

May 30-Jun 1, 2014: Arisia Relaxacon in Dennisport, MA

Tuesday June 10 7:30 PM: Arisia Corporate meeting the NESFA Clubhouse in Somerville, MA

July 17-20, 2014: DETCON 1, the NASFiC, in Detroit, M

Sunday July 20, 2014 2 PM: Arisia Corporate meeting at MIT in Cambridge, MA (Please check building 66 for meeting or location if it is changed.)

Sunday August 3, 2014 (exact times TBD): Arisa Corporate Meeting, Concom, and Summer BBQ at Chez Wood (Rick Kovalcik's home) in Newton Centre, MA

August 14-18, 2014: Worldcon in London, UK

## Proposed Arisia 2014-2015 Corporate Budget

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	Proposed	2013-2014	Actual	As of End May	
<b>Income</b>					
Dues	\$1,400	\$1,000	\$1,509.00		
Interest	\$40	\$100	\$36.91		
A'15 Convention Payment	\$13,550	\$13,400	\$13,400		
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>14990</b>	<b>14500</b>	<b>14945.91</b>		
<b>Expenses</b>					
	Proposed	2013-2014	Spent	Remaining	Over/ Under
Rent (\$925/ \$950) per month	-\$11,550	-\$11,250	-\$10,300	-\$950.00	
Mailbox (paid through 7/2014)	-150	-\$150	-\$62.00	-\$88.00	
Liability Insurance - Arisia Storage plus Convention and Relaxacon	-\$1,000	-\$1,000	-\$890.24	\$0.00	\$109.76
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Server Hosting - Hostgator	-\$1,000	-\$1,000		\$1,000.00	
SAC Admin, Marketing, and Mass Mailer	-\$900	-\$850	-\$840.60	\$0.00	\$9.40
Student Art Contest Prizes	-\$800	-\$800	-\$800.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
SAC Prize for school	-\$250				
SWC Admin, Marketing, and Mass Mailer	-\$900				
Student Writing Contest Prizes	-\$800	-\$1,650	-\$1,340.60	\$0.00	\$309.40
SWC Prize for school	-\$250				
Mentor - Postage and Copying	-\$300	-\$300	-\$262.62	-\$37.38	
Admin	-\$200	-\$200	-\$72.00	-\$128.00	
Supplies	-\$300	-\$300	-\$41.64	-\$258.36	
Domain Name (paid through 2015)	\$0	\$0		\$0.00	
Credit Card/Paypal Fees	-\$250	-\$200	-\$165.87	-\$34.13	
Contingency Fund	-\$2,500	-\$2,500	-\$2,196.51	-\$569.24	
Summer BBQ	-\$300	-\$300	-\$255.63	\$0.00	\$44.37
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<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>-\$21,450</b>	<b>-\$20,500</b>	<b>\$17,227.71</b>	<b>\$3,065.11</b>	<b>\$472.93</b>
	Income	14990			
	Expenses	-21450			
	Diff	-6460			
<b>Out of budget Spending</b>					
Grants			-\$4,300		
Training Fund			-\$500		
Voted Expenses			-\$5,642		
Capital Equipment			-\$3,919		
<b>Total</b>			<b>-\$14,361</b>		
<b>Combined Expenses Total</b>	<b>-\$21,450</b>	<b>-20500</b>	<b>-\$31,588</b>		

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