



Mentor

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About the Meeting

The next corporate meeting of Arisia, Inc. will be held on **Tuesday, February 23 at 7pm via Zoom**. The link to the meeting and corresponding agenda will be distributed over the corp-announce email list in advance of the meeting.

The quorum for the February corporate meeting is **19**, based on 51% of the average attendance of the last three meetings $((40+34+39)/3 \times 0.51) = 19$.

Please submit proxies in advance by email to corp-proxies@arisia.org (a mailing list which will be seen by all subscribed corporate members) and CC the proxy holder. Please send all proxies for the **February** corporate meeting to corp-proxies@arisia.org, and CC the proxy holder.

January Corporate Meeting Summary

The meeting was conducted over Zoom and called to order on January 17 at **1:07 PM** by Nicholas "Phi" Sheckman, President during the Arisia 2021 Convention.

There were 40 members attending:

Vivian Abraham	Erik H	Jason Schneiderman
Wendee Abramo	Lisa Hertel	JB Segal
Joseph Andelman	Rick Kovalcik	Nicholas "Phi" Sheckman
Julia Austein	Jodie Lawhorne	David Silber
James Boggie	Henry Leong	Mike Sprague
Shen C	Ben Levy	Rachel Tanenhaus
Regis Donovan	Ken London	Maria Taranov
Jan Dumas	Claudia Mastroianni	Ilene Tatroe
etana	Elliot Mitchell	Mike Tatroe
Kelly Fabijanich	Alex Morgan	Gail Terman
Allison Feldhusen	Kris Pelletier	Tanya Washburn
Jaime Garmendia	Karen Purcell	Nightwing Whitehead
Lisa Goldstein	Sharon Sbarsky	Jacqui Bryant
Melia B Vanden		

Proxies:

1. Daniel Abraham to **Vivian Abraham**
2. Priscilla Ballou to **etana**

3. E.J. Barnes to **Jan Dumas**
4. Jennifer Fitzsimmons--Gauger to **Kelly Fabijanic**
5. Megan Lewis to **Julia Austein**
6. Cate Schneiderman to **Rachel Tanenhaus**
7. Dan Toland to **Wendee Abramo**
8. Alan Wexelblat to **Michelle Wexelblat**
9. Jason Schneiderman to **Rachel Tanenhaus**

Thank you to our Zoom room host Lisa Hertel. Thank you to our notetakers, Julia Austein and etana. Thank you to our communication access real time translator (CART) person!

Corrections to the November 2020 Minutes:

N/A - January Mentor (December minutes) will be sent to the corporate-announce list once Arisia 2021 is over.

In Memoriam - Carol London

I'd like to take a moment to remember Carol London, who passed away this weekend. Carol was a long time corporate member, and she and I worked together for years in the Art Show. But more importantly, Carol was an integral part of the Arisia community.

What I mean by that is that there's some way that Arisia wouldn't be the same without her. In Carol's case that is many small things she contributed to our Art Show processes, but it's also the one big thing I am most proud of for this year's convention.

It is thanks to Carol that the Arisia Art Show developed its current commitment to access. That commitment was a key to getting our Mass Cultural Council grant application in place. But more importantly, Carol was key to my personal understanding of what it means to be committed to access. Carol helped me understand how to make access a structural part of a community, and that helped make it possible to make the commitments we're making this weekend.

Arisia wouldn't be the same without you.

I will miss you, Carol, and we will all miss you, even those of us who don't know that it's you we are missing.

- *Nicholas "Phi" Shectman*

Officer and Committee Reports

Eboard report:

Voted to approve 2 dues waivers.

President's report:

At Gail's request, I am appointing Dan Franklin and Justin du Coeur to the IT committee. This needs a corporate vote - *Passes*

There is an IR that the eBoard has voted on, but which we were unable to send to the Corporate list within the approved-upon time. This will be sent out prior to the February 2021 meeting in order to be reported out.

I am in the process of applying for the Massachusetts Cultural Council grant to increase our accessibility overall within the convention. I have renewed our Corporate mailbox for another year.

Motion: set the date of the April 2021 Corporate meeting to Thursday, April 22 at 7pm - *Passes*

Treasurer's report:

Dues to join Arisia today are \$16. Today would count as your first meeting towards membership, so will gain voting/proxy rights at the next meeting. There were no out-of-budget spending items in December 2020 to report.

Arisia 2021:

We are currently at Con, and it is running with few glitches at this time. Hooray! Thank you to all working in the Remote, Tech, Help Desk divisions, and everyone here making little bits of Arisia happen. We have 959 people registered as of this meeting - not the smallest Arisia ever and some from other countries have been able to attend because we went virtual. That's a win.

Arisia 2022:

We have Guests of Honor! Andrea Hairston (author), Reiko Murakami (artist), and Elsa Sjunneson (fan). You should be able to read their bios on the website soon! Registration for A'22 will open on Monday at a \$50 rate. Note that we may have other rates available depending on how things go pandemic-wise and what sort of con we are able to have. Register:
<https://2022.arisia.org/>

Grants Committee:

- 1) MOTION to fund the Arisia Grants Fund up to the amount of \$5000. *Passes*
- 2) MOTION to distribute said Grants funds among the following grants in the following manner:
 - Seattle Books to Prisoner Program \$1,000
 - Chicago Books to Women in Prison: \$750
 - Clarion West: Pocket Workshop Publication \$2000
 - Double Visions \$1250.

Passes

Further information on each of the organizations:

<https://www.bookstoprisoners.net/>

<https://www.clarionwest.org/>

<https://chicagobwp.org/>

<https://www.doublevisionthemusical.com/>

→ Listing for Grants restrictions can be found online: <https://corp.arisia.org/grants>

Note: There are no limits on grant requests. Anyone is welcome to apply for a grant to fund work that is within the scope of Arisia's mission and values. Email grantsrequests@arisia.org. Process, policy, and procedure for requesting grants can be found online: corp.arisia.org/grants.

IT Committee:

After doing a general security review recently, they would like to state that if you want to be on the IT-discuss email list, you must be on the IT Corp committee. Reach out to Gail Terman.

Unfinished Business:

None today!

New Business:

Motion: to evaluate the Arisia convention tagline "most diverse SF/F Convention" to include language from the Arisia mission and diversity statement. After much discussion, the motion is REFERRED to the A'22 Convention Committee with the expectation of getting a modified version of this back to the Corporation for discussion and approval going forward. *Passed*

Announcements:

- Check out the art show and dealers!
- Boskone will be virtual | \$25/membership rate | contact Sharon Sbarsky (contact fantables@boskone.org if Arisia wants a table; email boskone-ads@boskone.org)
- JoCo Cruise is virtual in March this year! JoCoCruise.com for more information (free and open for all!)
- In Cambridge: Royal East in Central Square-area is struggling, has a new online ordering system and has a GoFundMe (<https://royaleastcambridge.com/>) (gofundme.com/saveroyaleast.com)

Membership List

This membership list is as of 9:00PM on 2/21/2021. Please report any corrections to clerk@arisia.org. Names in italics are non-voting members.

Daniel R Abraham
Vivian Abraham
Wendee Abramo
Joseph Andelman
Julia Austein
Priscilla Ballou
E.J. Barnes
Fred Bauer
Rob Bazemore
James Boggie
Bridget Boyle
Anna Bradley
Jonathan Briendel
Nicholas Brown
Jacqui Bryant
Brendon Chetwynd
Kirsten Chetwynd

Sol Houser
Diana Hsu
Crystal Huff
Lenore Jean Jones
Rachel Kadel
Melissa Kaplan
Terry Karney
Rick Kovalcik
Chris Lahey
Alex Latzko
Jodie Lawhorne
Henry Leong
Ben Levy
Megan Lewis
Carol London
Ken London
Glenn MacWilliams

Mink Rosequist
A. Joseph Ross
Sharon Sbarsky
Richard Schmeidler
Cate Schneiderman
Jason Schneiderman
JB Segal
Seph
Nicholas "Phi" Sheckman
Cris Shuldinerl
David Silber
Rachel Silber
Mike Sprague
Mary Stock
Sandy Sutherland
Rachel Tanenhaus
Maria Taranov

Brian Cooper	Claudia Mastroianni	Ilene Tatroe
Heather Couger	Will McMain	Mike Tatroe
Tom Coveney	Penelope Messier	Gail Terman
Elizabeth Crefin	Daniel Miller	Emily Tersoff
David D'Antonio	Elliot Mitchell	Persis Thorndike
Regis Donovan	Hope Moore	Dan Toland
Kaiden Drew	Alex Morgan	Dorothy Trachtenberg
Jan Dumas	Skip Morris	Ed Trachtenberg
Daniel Eareckson	Lla Olsborg	Melia B Vaden
etana	Kris Pelletier	Conor Walsh
Kelly Fabijanic	Melissa "MPA" Perrier-Andrews	Tanya Washburn
Allison Feldhusen	Dr. Karen Purcell	Alan Wexelblat
Jennifer Fitzsimmons-Gauger	Danielle Reese	Michelle Wexelblat
Dan Franklin	Shannon Reilley	Nighting Whitehead
Jamie Garmendia	Kim Riek	
Lisa Goldstein	Noel Rosenberg	
Erik H	Andy Rosequist	
Lisa Hertel		

Executive Board - eboard@arisia.org

President	Nicholas "phi" Sheckman	president@
Vice President	Mike Sprague	vice-president@
Treasurer	Kris Pelletier	treasurer@
Clerk	etana	clerk@
Members-At-Large	Claudia Mastroianni	at-large@
	Melissa Perreira-Andrews	
	Jodie Lawhorne	
Arisia '20 Con Chair	Diana Hsu	conchair@
Arisia '20 Treasurer	Kelly Fabijanic	con-treasurer@

Committees

Note: if your name appears on a committee and you no longer wish to be a part of that committee, please email clerk@arisia.org to resolve. Thank you!

Anti-Racism Committee - arc@ etana (chair), Vivian Abraham, Jan Dumas, Alan Wexelbalt, Karen Purcell
Budget - budget@: Kris Pelletier (chair), Kelly Fabijanic, Rachel Kadel, Alex Latzko, Ben Levy, Tom Traina, Ellie Younger
Corporate Communications - corpcomms@: etana(chair), Justin du Coeur, Lenore Jean Jones, Ilene Tatroe, Ellie Younger
Corporate Inventory Control - cic@: Rick Kovalcik (chair), Lisa Hertel, Ben Levy, Skip Morris
Corporate Sales: Dan Toland

Digital Assets Management - dam@ (no chair), Anna Bradley, Sol Houser, Rachel Kadel, Jess Steytler, Alan Wexelblat
Fundraising - donations@: Matt Ringel (chair), Addie Abrams, Kris Pelletier, Nicholas “phi” Shectman, Rachel Silber
Grants - grantsrequest@: Rachel Silber (chair), Joseph Andelman, David D’Antonio, Ilene Tatroe
Hotel Search - hotelsearch@: Kris “Nchanter” Snyder (chair), Joel Herda, Ben Levy, Diane Martin, Andy Rosequist, Nicholas “phi” Shectman, Ellie Younger
Incident Review and Management - incidents@: Melissa Perreira-Andrews (chair), Vivian Abraham, Jaime Garmendia, Will McMMain, Kris Pelletier, Kim Riek
IT - it@: Gail Terman (chair), Rick Kovalcik, Ben Levy, Sharon Sbarsky, Nicholas “phi” Shectman, Mike Tatroe, Alan Wexelblat
Long Range Planning - lrp@: (No chair), Anna Bradley, Heather Cougar
Mailing List Monitoring [no email]: Claudia Mastroianni and Rachel Tanenhaus
Postmaster - postmaster@: Sharon Sbarsky (chair), Rick Kovalcik, Ben Levy, Nicholas “phi” Shectman
Relaxacon - relaxacon@: Sol Houser and Rick Kovalcik (chairs)
Social [no email]: Sol Houser (chair), Jan Dumas, Melissa Kaplan, Kim Riek, Mike Sprague, Alan Wexelblat
Student Contests - student-contests@: Kris Pelletier (chair), Anna Bradley, Johnny Healey, Allison Holt, Terry Holt, Skip Morris, Abby Noyce, Mike Sharrow, Mike Sprague, Carolyn VanEseltine, Conor Walsh

Storage Keyholders - keys@arisia.org

Current keyholders are: Julia Austein, Fred Bauer, Lisa Hertel, Diana Hsu, Rick Kovalcik, Paul Kraus, Ben Levy, Skip Morris, Dan Noé, Kris Pelletier, Kristin Seibert, Nicholas “phi” Shectman, David Silber, Al *Hobbit* Walker, Ellie Younger

Subscription and Dues Information

Subscription to Mentor is included with corporate membership. Corporate membership runs from September 1st to August 31st and requires a dues payment of \$24. Dues are prorated on a monthly basis for members joining throughout the year. Requests for dues waivers may be submitted by email to the Executive Board at eboard@arisia.org.

September	\$24	December	\$18	March	\$12	June	\$6
October	\$22	January	\$16	April	\$10	July	\$4
November	\$20	February	\$14	May	\$8	August	\$2

Calendar

- **February Corporate Meeting:** Tuesday, 23 February 7pm
- **March Corporate Meeting:** Sunday, 21 March 2pm
- **April Corporate Meeting:** Thursday, 22 April 7pm

Please also see <https://corp.arisia.org/calendar>.

Meeting adjourned at 2:16PM