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About the Meeting

The next corporate meeting of Arisia, Inc. will be held on Tuesday, August 17 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 August corporate meeting is 16, based on 51% of the average attendance of the last three meetings $((26+32+32)/3 \times 0.51) = 15.3$).

Please send all proxies for the **August** corporate meeting in advance by email to corp-proxies@arisia.org, and CC the proxy holder.

July Meeting Summary

The July corporate meeting was called to order on July 25 at 2:05 PM by Michael Sprague, Vice President, via Zoom. The quorum for the July 2021 corporate meeting was 16, based on 51% of the average of the last three meetings. Thank you to Julia Austein and etana for note taking. Thank you to Vivian Abraham for queue minding.

There were 32 members attending:

Vivian Abraham	Melissa Kaplan	Richard Schmeidler
Joseph Andelman	Rick Kovalcik	Cate Schneiderman
Inanna Arthen	Jodie Lawhorne	Kylie Selkirk
Julia Austein	Henry Leong	Mike Sprague
Priscilla Ballou	Benjamin Levy	Sandy Sutherland
E.J. Barnes	Ken London	Rachel Tanenhaus
Jan Dumas	Elliott Mitchell	Ilene Tatroe
etana	Alex Morgan	Mike Tatroe
Jennifer	Kris Pelletier	Dan Toland
Fitzsimmons-Gauger	Karen Purcell	Ed Trachtenberg
Jaime Garmendia	Sharon Sbarsky	Nightwing Whitehead

Proxies:

1. Wendee Abramo to Dan Toland
2. Fred Bauer to Sharon Sbarsky
3. Nicholas Brown to Melissa Kaplan
4. Lisa Hertel to Benjamin Levy
5. Daniel Miller to E.J. Barnes
6. Megan Lewis to Julia Austein
7. David Silber to Alix Morgan
8. Sandy Sutherland to Kylie Selkirk
9. Alan Wexelblat to Ilene Tatroe
10. Michelle Wexelblat to Karen Purcell

MOTION to accept the June minutes **PASSED**

Officer and Committee Reports**Eboard report:**

A'22 Code of Conduct Statement Regarding Covid-19 from the Eboard: the Eboard feels that the Arisia CoC covers any fictitious statement made on any convention document, including documents regarding C-19 vaccinations. The Eboard doesn't feel that the CoC needs to be amended regarding this. The A'22 Conchair is willing to accept this.

Bylaws change location for service animals & assistive devices: "Arisia expects its members to respect each other and behave in a responsible manner. Members should respect common sense rules for public behavior, personal interaction, common courtesy, and respect for private property. Assistive devices must be considered an extension of their users' bodily autonomy with regard to touching, photographing, and other conduct. Service dogs, as defined by the ADA, are also an extension of their handlers and must not be touched, photographed, deliberately distracted, or otherwise impeded without permission of their handler."

Discussed concerns about captioning, Arisia's recording policy. Note that the chat log of corporate meetings held on Zoom becomes a part of the minutes.

Vice President's Report:

MOTION to set meeting for October 19th at 7:00 pm on Zoom **PASSED**

Treasurer's Report:

Dues of \$4 paid today before the end of this meeting grant voting rights at the meeting in August. Dues for the 2021-2022 year are due on September 1st and are \$24 dollars. They can be paid by check or paypal at corp.arisia.org/membership. If you would like to request a waiver for whatever reason, please send an email request to eboard@. You must attend the August

meeting in order to obtain voting rights for the Annual Meeting in September, when we will be electing the new Eboard. A reminder regarding membership and dues required to vote at the Annual meeting will be sent out to the corporate list ahead of the August meeting as well.

A note that we have received the \$3K grant from the Mass Cultural Council (MCC)

MOTION to approve the [2021-2022 Corp budget](#) **PASSED**

Arisia 2022 report:

We are considering our options if Covid-19 case counts go up. The latest pivot point to decide whether or not we are in-person is October. Between now and then, we will be able to see the result of some other in-person events, and more info will help.

If you are a maker/builder who can help create/make plexiglass screens for Reg and other high traffic areas, please email conchair@.

Treasurer: First time doing a [budget](#), thank you for everyone's help. As a friendly amendment, added \$7,000 to Pubs, deleted Restaurant Guide line item, moved Family Friendly Guide to Youth Services.

MOTION to approve the Arisia 2022 Convention budget **PASSED**

Anti-racism report:

This committee is focused on correcting implicit bias at the corporate level, focusing specifically on policies and procedures that are non-inclusive. To that end, Etana has found a cultural competency assessment tool for those of us in the committee to evaluate, before passing it on to the members of the corporation as a whole. Our other focus at the moment is finding a more inclusive guide for holding meetings than Robert's Rules. For those who are working on their own journey, please see the Anti-Racism page of the corporate website for recommended reading and classes. <https://corp.arisia.org/arc>

Old Business:

A'21 Donation CPA Conversation Results: We can donate to like organizations. So an educational group focused on PoC would work. Or, we could change our charter to be able to donate to groups outside the current group. Phi plans to donate the amount personally to the groups that we originally named.

A'23 Con Running! Conchair nominations are open! Open as individual or as small group. Can email to ask questions without putting your hat in.

Medford Public Library Donation. We will need to move funds to cover this grant. We have about \$18,000 in unallocated funds, and expect another \$18,000 from Arisia 21. We just approved an Arisia 22 budget of \$34,000. We have a \$4,500 contingency fund. We think a \$2,500 grant is something we can currently afford. As a non-profit it is key that we keep giving out grants. We are also seeking grants to help cover costs. It would be great if we had a short list of These are the kinds of things we give money to. We prefer to give money that are accessible, etc. that fit with our values.

MOTION to approve \$2,500 grant to Medford Public Library **PASSED**

MOTION to move \$2,500 into the Arisia Grants Fund **PASSED**

New Business: None

Announcements

- Vivian: UMASS Amherst needs support to keep from their library being taken away. Sign the petition, email or call the chancellor, write a letter and generally be loud about it! Chancellor Contact Info: phone: 413-545-2211, email: chancellor@umass.edu. Petition link: www.tinyurl.com/SaveSciFiLibrary
- August Corporate Meeting: Tuesday, August 17th at 7pm via Zoom
- September Corporate Meeting: Saturday, September 19 at 2pm via Zoom
- October Corporate Meeting: Tuesday, October 19 at 7pm via Zoom
- Readercon will be online this year
- Albacon will be taking place September 17 through 18
- Haverhill Artwalk 3-7pm 2nd Sat. of every month in building storage is in. Those who would like to be involved talk to Lisa Hertel.
- Revere Sand sculpting festival 1st weekend of August
- Room reservations for 2021 Worldcon in DC - discon3.org. Hugo voters packet is out, now is a good time to look at it
- There are positions for the con opening up over the year, if you are interested but don't see a position that fits get it touch at tas@arisia.org.

July Treasurer's Report

June 30			Change vs last month
Odd Year - A21		\$21,223.63	-\$1,472.00
Even Year - A20		\$8,882.16	\$0.00
OneUnited Con Acct		\$100.00	\$0.00
Corporate			
Reserved/Unspent			
Grant Fund Unallocated	\$56.09		\$0.00
Grant Fund Allocated	\$5,000.00		\$0.00
Capital Equipment Unallocated	\$1,542.27		\$0.00
Capital Equipment Allocated	\$0.00		\$0.00
Training Fund Unallocated	\$1,022.00		\$0.00
Training Fund Allocated	\$0.00		\$0.00
Scholarship(?) Fund	\$0.00		\$0.00
Voted Expenses (excludes budget)	\$0.00		\$0.00
Unspent Budget	\$15,712.90		-\$1,487.98
Total Reserved		\$23,333.26	-\$1,487.98
Unallocated Funds		\$1,268.84	\$0.18
Total Corporate Funds		\$24,602.10	-\$1,487.80
Total Assets		\$54,807.89	-\$2,959.80
Total Corporate Income		\$0.18	-\$23.91
Total Corporate Expenses		-\$1,487.98	-\$1,300.00

Membership List

This membership list is as of 6:40 PM on 06/24/2021. Please report any corrections to clerk@arisia.org. Names in italics are non-voting members.

Daniel R. Abraham	Lisa Goldstein	Kim Riek
Vivian Abraham	Orlit Groeschler	Noel Rosenberg
Wendee Abramo	Erik H	Andy Rosequist
Joseph Andelman	Lisa Hertel	Mink Rosequist
Inanna Arthen	Sol Houser	<i>A. Joseph Ross</i>
Julia Austein	Crystal Huff	Joan Ruland Donnelly
Priscilla Ballou	Lenore Jean Jones	Sharon Sbarsky
E.J. Barnes	Rachel Kadel	Richard Schmeidler
Fred Bauer	Melissa Kaplan	Cate Schneiderman
<i>Rob Bazemore</i>	Terry Karney	Jason Schneiderman
Robert Berlet	Rick Kovalcik	JB Segal
James Boggie	Chris Lahey	Seph
Bridget Boyle	Alex Latzko	Nicholas "phi" Sheckman
Anna Bradley	Jodie Lawhorne	<i>Cris Shuldiner</i>
Jonathan Breindel	Henry Leong	David Silber
Nicholas Brown	Benjamin Levy	Rachel Silber
Marc Brunco	Megan Lewis	Mike Sprague
Shen C	Ken London	Mary Stock
Brendon Chetwynd	Glenn MacWilliams	Sandy Sutherland
Adama Cohn	Claudia Mastroianni	Rachel Tanenhaus
<i>Brian Cooper</i>	Will McMMain	Maria Taranov
Heather Cougar	Penelope Messier	Ilene Tatroe
Tom Coveney	Daniel Miller	Mike Tatroe
Elizabeth Crefin	Elliott Mitchell	Gail Terman
David D'Antonio	Andromeda Mizuno	Emily Tersoff
Regis Donovan	Hope Moore	Persis Thorndike
Kaiden Drew	Alex Morgan	Dan Toland
Jan Dumas	Skip Morris	Dorothy Trachtenberg
Daniel Eareckson	Lia Olsborg	Ed Trachtenberg
etana	<i>Sheila Oranch</i>	Melia Vaden
Kelly Fabijanic	Kris Pelletier	Conor Walsh
Allison Feldhusen	Melissa "MPA" Perreira-Andrews	Tanya Washburn
Jennifer Fitzsimmons-Gauger	Karen Purcell	Alan Wexelblat
Dan Franklin	Danielle Reese	Michelle Wexelblat
Jaime Garmendia	Shannon Reilley	Nightwing Whitehead

Executive Board - eboard@

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 '22 Con Chair	Vivian Abraham	conchair@
Arisia '22 Treasurer	Cate Schneiderman	con-treasurer@

Committees

<p>Anti-Racism Committee - arc@: etana (chair), Vivian Abraham, Jan Dumas, Ken London, Karen Purcell, Nightwing Whitehead</p>
<p>Budget - budget@: Kris Pelletier (chair), Kelly Fabijanac, Rachel Kadel, Alex Latzko, Benjamin Levy, Tom Traina, Ellie Younger</p>
<p>Corporate Communications - corpcomms@: etana(chair), Justin du Coeur, Lenore Jean Jones, Ilene Tatroe, Julia Austein</p>
<p>Corporate Inventory Control - cic@: Rick Kovalcik (chair), Lisa Hertel, Benjamin Levy, Skip Morris</p>
<p>Corporate Sales TBD</p>
<p>Digital Assets Management - dam@: (no chair), Anna Bradley, Rachel Kadel, Jess Steytler, Alan Wexelblat</p>
<p>Fundraising - donations@: Matt Ringel (chair), Addie Abrams, Kris Pelletier, Nicholas “phi” Sheckman, Rachel Silber</p>
<p>Grants - grantsrequest@: Mike Sprague (chair), Joseph Andelman, David D’Antonio, Ilene Tatroe</p>
<p>Hotel Search - hotelsearch@: Kris “Nchanter” Snyder (chair), Joel Herda, Benjamin Levy, Diane Martin, Andy Rosequist, Nicholas “phi” Sheckman, Ellie Younger</p>
<p>Incident Review and Management - incidents@: Jodie Lawhorne (chair), Melissa Perreira-Andrews, Vivian Abraham, Priscilla Ballou, Jaime Garmendia, Melissa Kaplan, Will McMain, Kris Pelletier, Kim Riek, Alan Wexelblat,</p>
<p>IT - it@: Gail Terman (chair), Rick Kovalcik, Benjamin Levy, Sharon Sbarsky, Nicholas “phi” Sheckman, Mike Tatroe, Alan Wexelblat</p>
<p>Location Search [no email]:</p>

Gail Terman (chair), etana
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, Benjamin Levy, Nicholas “phi” Shectman
Relaxacon - relaxacon@: Rick Kovalcik (chair)
Social [no email]: (no 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

- September Corporate Meeting: Sunday, September 19 at 2pm via Zoom
- October Corporate Meeting: Tuesday, October 19 at 7pm via Zoom

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:41 PM.