

# **Mentor**

## The Newsletter of Arisia, Incorporated

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# **About the Next Meeting**

The next corporate meeting of Arisia, Inc. will be held on May 21, 2023 at 7:00 PM **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 April corporate meeting is ??, based on 51% of the average attendance of the last three meetings ((34+40+25)/3×0.51)=16.32).

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

## **Attendance**

Joseph Andelman, Nicholas "Phi" Schectman, Vivian Abraham, Melissa Kaplan, Nick Brown, Regis Donovan, Claudia Mastroianni, Ken London, Delenn Brumberger, Rebecca Brumberger, Rachel Tannenhaus, Henry Leong, Rick Kovalcik, Alex Morgan, Mike Tatroe, Ilene Tatroe, etana

## **Proxy List**

--Nightwing Whitehead to Jan Dumas – no Sharon Sbarsky to Rick Kovalcik

Ilene Tatroe to Melissa Kaplan David Silber to Alex Morgan

### **Corrections to the Minutes**

February:

The February meeting was held on February 23.

The following people attended the February meeting but were not listed on the attendance list: Sharon Sbarsky, Dan Toland, Kelly Fabijanic, and Henry Leong.

Correct spellings of 2024 GOHs are

Ryka Aoki

Tanya DePass

Clarifying my comment about the Arisia Socials:

Mike: People have been asking about the Arisia Socials. Arisia Socials have been handled by several people, most recently Team Arisia Services.

Socials are based around the idea of having outside con get together for volunteers, attendees, and anyone interested in Arisia. Key factors in locations for the Socials were"

- \* Keep it low cost or free
- \* Close to public transportation
- \* Accessible

We had several events including gaming days at Pandemonium Books in Cambridge and at the Armory in Somerville, a picnic on Boston Common, and at least one bowling night.

Currently, the Arisia Socials Committee is not active. If anyone is interested in reviving the Arisia Socials Committee or just has some neat ideas for future Arisia Socials please contact

the Arisia Eboard at eboard@arisia.org or start a thread in the #general channel on the Arisia Staff Slack.

Rick: I am pretty sure that what I said about Inventorying was that I was willing to do an inventory of areas like Food where we overbought last year to see what we have left so that

whoever is running Food next year and might not be able to get to storage has a baseline to start from so that we don't overbuy again.

# **Executive board reports**

### **President**

We have a quote for D&O insurance for \$940 per year.

### **Vice President**

### **Treasurer**

### Clerk

Resubmitting February and March Mentor to members for a second review. Thank you, everyone, for doing such a great job. I would as always enjoy a person willing to assist me during meetings to keep up with heated discussions Edit: My thanks to the person who took these notes

# **Member at Large**

# A23 Budget

# We have a final report.

MSP to close the books.

MSP to set the July meeting date to Sunday the 23rd at 2pm.

## A24.

We have all but one or two of our DHs.

Should pubs be their own div or an area under comms? We'd still need area heads to create the PDFs.

We met with our FGoH and are meeting with our WGoH tomorrow. We need to schedule a meeting with Winona.

Doing promotional events and will have postcards and bookmarks for those.

The next concom is Tuesday, May 9 at 7:30.

Excited to have so many people in place and it's not even May. Now time to get people to join and do other roles. If there's stuff you're interested in working on, even if it doesn't start until October, tell us now so we can onboard staff gradually instead of all at once.

We had a town hall meeting on April 2. High-level bullet points include communication esp around covid policy, we're planning to do a similar booster and mask requirement and plan to announce specifics by October. Planning on remote components, heard some awesome ideas and technology concerns. Planning other events for the community both online and in person, including another town hall in the fall.

A good number of people who weren't the usual faces.

Regarding the con treasurer, waiting for the eboard to interview the candidate. Meantime we have a very vague draft budget and Dale will be working with DHs to do more detailed budgeting.

# **Committee Reports**

Anti Racism (arc@arisia.org)

Budget (Budget)

Corporate Communications (Corpcomms)

Corporate Inventory Control (CIC)

The building is still being sold, but the closing is delayed for paperwork and being full of surplus furniture.

Corporate Sales - TBD

Digital Assets Management (DAM)

**Fundraising** 

Grants (grants - request)

Hotel Search (Hotelsearch)

Incident Review and Management (incidents)

IT (IT)

**Locations Search** 

Long Range Planning

Mailing List Monitoring (monitor@arisia.org)

Postmaster (postmaster@arisia.org)

Relaxacon (relaxacon)

Social

**Student Contests** 

## **New business**

MSP to dispose of the Elavon charge terminals.

# **March Meeting Summary**

### **Announcements**

Ladiescon is May 20 at the Somerville Armory and Arisia will have a table there.

SOS is this coming weekend.

The meeting adjourned at 7:52.

**Subscription and Dues information** Membership runs from September 1st to August 31st (\*) and costs \$24 for the year. Dues are pro-rated on a monthly basis for members joining throughout the year. Subscription to the Arisia, Inc. newsletter, *Mentor of Arisia*, is included with corporate membership.

New members must attend one meeting after joining to receive voting privileges at subsequent meetings.

Pay for the month in which the next corporate meeting will take place (per the calendar).

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

If you cannot afford to purchase a membership, you may reach out to the Executive Board at eboard@arisia.org and request a dues waiver.

You can pay in cash at a corporate meeting, mail a check for the appropriate amount to Arisia, or use the PayPal button below. (You do not need a PayPal account to use your debit or credit card with PayPal.)

Arisia's mailing address is:

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### Calendar

**Corporate Meeting** 

April 27th, 2023 at 7:00 PM

May, 21, 2023 at 2:00 PM

June, XX, 2023 at 00:00 PM

#### **Convention Meeting**

#### Current Meetings and Events (as of 3/19/23)

Key ConComm, DH, Town Hall, Corps, ConChair Team and other cons we may want to attend or are attending.

- Sun 3/19 6:30 PM ConComm
- Thur 3/23 Sun 3/26: PAX East
- Sat 3/25 7:00 PM Corp
- Sun 4/2 1:30 PM Arisia Town Hall
- Sun 4/23 3:00 PM ConComm
- Thur 4/27 7:00 PM Corp
- Sat 4/29: Comics in Color
- Tues 5/9 730 PM ConComm
- Sat 5/20 LadiesCon (table)
- Sun 5/21 2:00 PM Corp

**Upcoming Conventions** 

April 29, 2023, Boston Comics in Color

May 23, 2023, LadiesCon

# **Membership List**

Viviam Abraham Lisa GOldstin Daniell Reese

Wendee Abramo Erik H Shannon Reilley

Joseph Andelanm Lisa Hertel Noel Rosenberg

Priscilla Ballou Sol Houser Sharon Sbarsky

E.J. Barnes Crystal Huff Richard Schmeidler

Freed Baur Lenore Jean Jones Cate Schneiderman

James Boggie Melissa Kaplan Jason Schneiderman

Bridget Bolye Terry Karney JB Segal

Anna Bradley Rick Kovalcik Seph

Nicholas Brown Chris Lahen David Silber

Chen C Alex Latzko Rachel Silber

Brendon Cheywynd Henry Leong Mike Sprague

Heather Cougar Megan Lewis Mary Stock

Tom Coveney Ken London Rachel Tenenhaus

David D'Antnoio Glenn MacWilliams Maria Taranov

Regis donovan Claudia Mastroianni Ilene Tatroe

Kaiden Drew Penelope Messier Mike Tatroe

Jan Dumas Daniel Miller Gail Terman

Daniel Eareckson Elliott Mitchell Emily Tersoff

etana G Hope Moore Persis Throndike

Kelly Fabijanic Alex Morgan Don Toland

Sabina Fecteau Skip Morris Dorothy Trachenberg

Allison Feldhusen Lisa Olsobrg Melia Vaden

Jennifer Fitzsimmons-Gaugr Kris Pellietier Alan Wexelblat

Dan Franklin Melissa "MPA" Michelle Wexelblat

Prriera=Andrews

Jamie Garmendia Nightwing Whitehead