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About the Meeting

The next corporate meeting of Arisia, Inc. will be held on **Sunday, July 24, 2024 at 2:00 pm ET on Zoom**. The corresponding agenda will be distributed over the corp-announce email list in advance of the meeting.

The quorum for the June corporate meeting was **14**, based on 51% of the average attendance of the last three meetings $((31+25+22)/3 \times 0.51) = 14$. The quorum for the July corporate meeting will be **12**.

Please submit proxies in advance by email to corp-proxies@arisia.org (a mailing list which will be seen by some corporate members) and CC: the proxy holder.

June 18, 2024 Corporate Meeting Summary

The meeting was conducted over Zoom and called to order at **7:33 PM**. There were 18 members attending:

Proxies:

- Regis Donovan to Claudia Mastroianni

Wendee Abramo
Joseph Andelman
Julia Austein
Priscilla Ballou
E.J. Barnes
Andrew Brockert
Skyler Crossman
Rick Kovalcik
Ken London
Claudia Mastroianni

Sharon Sbarsky
 Jason Schneiderman
 Mike Sprague
 Rachel Tanenhaus
 Ilene Tatroe
 Mike Tatroe
 DJ Toland
 Nightwing Whitehead

Corrections to and approval of the May 2024 Minutes:

The May 2024 minutes were approved unanimously via voice vote.

EBoard Report:

The EBoard voted to loan fans to Readercon.

President’s Report:

None.

VPs Report:

None.

Treasurer’s Report:

phi was not present, but sent a financial statement ahead of time:

Date:	6/15/2024		
Assets:			
Bank accounts:		\$69,073.87	
Vendor deposits:		\$356.40	
Total assets:			\$69,430.27
Liabilities:			
Unspent FY23-24 corporate expenses:		\$125.46	

Arisia 2025 income:		\$4,440.00	
Reserved funds:			
Equipment fund:	\$0.00		
Grant fund:	\$0.00		
Snow fund:	\$51,458.64		
Training fund:	\$1,022.00		
Total reserved funds:		\$52,480.64	
Total liabilities:			\$57,046.10
Net unrestricted funds:			\$12,384.17

The main difference from last month's report is payment of our unspent MCC funding to the state. This was funding for tax year 2021 / Arisia 2022 for projects we applied for expecting pandemic reopening to be further along than it was, but then couldn't complete. In the end we did get to keep a small amount of it, but not enough to have a material impact on the bottom line.

This reduced both our bank account balance and our liabilities, so the net unrestricted funds are nearly the same.

Clerk's Report:

None.

A25 Con Comm Report:

Recruiting

We'd like to welcome our Division Heads:

- Daniel Eareckson - Hotel DH
- Benjamin Thornton - Gaming DH
- Kylie Selkirk - Logistics DH
- Jason Schneiderman - Programming DH
- Melia Vaden - Registration DH
- Adam Burdick - Safety DH
- Vivian Abraham - Team Arisia Services DH

We are still recruiting for the following positions:

- Access DH
- Art Show DH
- Communications DH
- Events DH
- Exhibits DH
- Food DH
- GoH Liaison DH
- Member Services DH
- Technical Services DH
- Treasurer
- Youth Services DH

If you have an interest in any of these roles and can volunteer for Arisia, please contact us at conchair@arisia.org, or e-mail any of us individually for a conversation.

If you'd like to staff Arisia, now is the time to reach out to your Division Head and see what help they need.

Process

Team Arisia Services (TAS) has developed a new onboarding process. We have been creating job descriptions and a centralized repository for documentation.

Other things we've been doing

- Working on getting the website built out
- Reviewing our preliminary budget
- Reimagining how we offer Space Pilot

Guests of Honor

We have an Artist GOH confirmed. We are very close to signing a Writer GoH. We are very excited about both of them.

Committee Reports:

Budget:

None.

Corporate Communications:

(Members: Rachel)

None.

Corporate Inventory Control (CIC):

(Members: Rick, Ben, Skip)

None.

Discord:

(Members: Justin, Dan A., Jason)

The Committee has created a Discord and spreadsheet for channels on said Discord. Plans are proceeding towards a soft opening.

Fundraising:

None.

Grants:

(Members: Mike S.)

This Committee has been suspended until finances get stabilized.

Hotel Search Committee:

(Members: Vivian, phi, Ben)

None.

Incident Response Management Committee (IRMC):

(Vivian, etana, Claudia, Jaime, Kris)

None.

IT:

(Members: Rick, Sharon, Nick, Ben, phi, Mike T., Dan A.)

None.

Postmaster:

(Sharon, Rick, Ben, phi, Mike T.)

None.

Social:

(Mike S.)

The Committee is discussing:

- possible locations of events
- bringing back Arisia Game Day
- a possible outdoor potluck, possibly in a park in Somerville.

No firm locations or dates have been set yet.

Student Contests:

(members needed)

None.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

The Corporation voted via a show of hands to set the September corporate meeting date for **Sunday, September 22 at 2:00 PM.**

Announcements:

- Readercon will be on July 11-14 in Quincy, MA.
- Buffalo NASFIC will be on July 18-21 in Buffalo, NY
- Wicked ComiCon will be on August 10-11 at the Westin Boston Seaport - <https://www.wickedcomiccon.com/>
- The NESFA Annual Picnic will be on Monday, September 2 (Labor Day) in Larz Anderson Park in Brookline, MA.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:49 pm.

Calendar

Corporate Meetings

- Sunday, July 21, 2024 at 2:00 pm
- Tuesday, August 20, 2024 at 7:00 pm
- Sunday, September 22, 2024 at 2:00 pm

Other Meetings and Events

Upcoming Conventions

- Readercon - July 11-14, 2024, Boston Quincy Marriott, Quincy, MA
- Buffalo NASFIC will be on July 18-21 in Buffalo, NY

- Wicked ComiCon will be on August 10-11 at the Westin Boston Seaport - <https://www.wickedcomiccon.com/>

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

Membership List

This membership list is as of 11:00 PM on 1/24/2024. Please report any corrections to clerk@arisia.org. Names in italics are non-voting members.

Daniel R. Abraham
Vivian Abraham
Wendee Abramo
Joseph Andelman
Inanna Arthen
Julia Austein
Priscilla Ballou
E.J. Barnes
Fred Bauer
Rob Bazemore
Anna Bradley
Andrew Brockert
Nicholas Brown
Rebecca Brumberger
Adam Burdick
Brendon Chetwynd
Brian Cooper
Skyler Crossman
Regis Donovan
Jan Dumas
Daniel Eareckson
etana
Kelly Fabijanic
Sabina Fecteau
Allison Feldhusen
Jaime Garmendia
Adrian Gunn
Joel Herda
Lenore Jones
Melissa Kaplan
Rick Kovalcik
Sue Kramer
Adria Kyne
Henry Leong
Megan Lewis
Ken London
Claudia Mastroianni
Dale Meyer-Curley
Erik Meyer-Curley
Elliott Mitchell

Hope Moore
 Skip Morris
 Lia Olsborg
 Kris Pelletier
 Danielle Reese
 Phoebe Roberts
 Noel Rosenberg
A. Joseph Ross
 Sharon Sbarsky
 Richard Schmeidler
 Cate Schneiderman
 Jason Schneiderman
 JB Segal
 Kylie Selkirk
 Nicholas “phi” Sheckman
Cris Shuldiner
 Mike Sprague
 Mary Stock
 Rachel Tanenhaus
 Ilene Tatroe
 Mike Tatroe
 Gail Terman
 DJ Toland
 Melia Vaden
 Wendy Verschoor
 Alan Wexelblat
 Michelle Wexelblat
 Nightwing Whitehead
 Glen Williams

Executive Board - eboard@

President	Vivian Abraham	president@
Vice President	Mike Sprague	vice-president@
Treasurer	Nicholas “phi” Sheckman	treasurer@
Clerk	Rachel Tanenhaus	clerk@
Members-At-Large	Julia Austein	at-large@
	etana	
	Claudia Mastroianni	
Arisia '24 Con Chairs	Melissa Kaplan and Ilene Tatroe	conchair@
Arisia '24 Treasurer	Bill Sherman	con-treasurer@

Committee Membership

<p>Anti-Racism Committee (arc@) (No chair), Vivian Abraham, etana, Dan Franklin, Ken London, Nightwing Whitehead</p>
<p>Budget (budget@) Nicholas "phi" Sheckman (chair), Kelly Fabijanic, Rachel Kadel, Alex Latzko, Benjamin Levy, Tom Traina, Ellie Younger</p>
<p>Corporate Communications (corpcomms@) Rachel Tanenhaus (chair), Justin du Coeur, Lenore Jean Jones, Ilene Tatroe, Julia Austein</p>
<p>Corporate Inventory Control (cic@): Rick Kovalcik (chair), Benjamin Levy, Skip Morris</p>
<p>Discord: Justin duCoeur (chair), Dan Abraham, Jason Schneiderman</p>
<p>Fundraising - donations@: Nicholas "phi" Sheckman (chair), Addie Abrams, Kris Pelletier, Julia Austein, Matt Ringel, Rachel Silber</p>
<p>Grants (grantsrequest): Mike Sprague (chair), Joseph Andelman, David D'Antonio</p>
<p>Hotel Search (hotelsearch): Vivian Abraham (chair), Benjamin Levy, Nicholas "phi" Sheckman</p>
<p>Incident Response Management Committee (IRMC) (incidents@): Claudia Mastroianni, etana (advisory members: Jaime Garmendia, Kris Pelletier, Vivian Abraham)</p>
<p>IT (it@): Rick Kovalcik, Benjamin Levy, Nick Brown, Sharon Sbarsky, Nicholas "phi" Sheckman, Mike Tatroe, Daniel Abraham</p>
<p>Location Search (no email address): Gail Terman (chair), etana, Sol Houser</p>
<p>Long Range Planning (lrp@): (No chair), Anna Bradley, Heather Cougar</p>
<p>Mailing List Monitoring (monitor@): Claudia Mastroianni and Rachel Tanenhaus</p>
<p>Postmaster (postmaster@): Sharon Sbarsky (chair), Rick Kovalcik, Benjamin Levy, Nicholas "phi" Sheckman, Mike Tatroe (advisory member)</p>
<p>Social (social@): Mike Sprague (chair), Vivian Abraham</p>
<p>Student Contests (student-contests@): In need of members</p>

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 on the form at <https://corp.arisia.org/membership>. (You do not need a PayPal account to use your debit or credit card with PayPal.)

Arisia's mailing address is:

Arisia, Inc.

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