



MENTOR

The Newsletter of Arisia, Incorporated — Number 121, January 2003

Notice

A Bylaws amendment is likely to be addressed at the next meeting. For the amendment to pass, it needs a two-thirds vote of the Membership, with 25% of all General members voting. At present, this means 10 General members voting (including proxies), and we need a quorum of 8 General members physically present to convene the meeting.

The text of the proposed Bylaws amendment may be found on page 2.

Minutes of the Corporate Meeting

• Date, Time, and Place

Sunday, January 19, 2003. Boston Park Plaza Hotel, Berkeley/Clarendon room. Called to order at 5:08 PM.

• In Attendance

Dave Belfer-Shevett, Elka Tovah Davidoff, Joel Herda, Lisa Hertel, Ben Levy, Claudia Mastroianni, Craig McDonough, Tom Murphy, Karen Purcell, Matthew Ringel, Noel Rosenberg, Paul Selkirk, Rachel Silber, Carsten Turner, Julia Tenney (new member).

• Proxies

The following proxy was read into the minutes: "I am Claudia's Bitch. Claudia is my Proxy. (signed) Regis."

• President's Report/Eboard Report (Joel Herda)

Arisia should congratulate itself on having yet another convention.

The Eboard did not need to meet during the convention, which is in itself notable.

• Vice President's Report /Grant Committee Report (Noel Rosenberg)

The Grant Committee has had two proposals before it for some time now. There was a recommendation presented to the last Eboard meeting, and the Eboard reported out favorably. Taking them in order:

MOVED to grant \$2000 to JerseyDevilCon. Motion PASSED by acclamation.

MOVED to grant \$600 to the Boston Tea Party Smallville Fan Convention. MOVED to amend to increase the grant by \$225 (amount of VCR rental) to \$825 total; PASSED on a voice vote. Main motion PASSED 8-0 on a hand vote.

Further MOVED to transfer \$5000 from the General Fund to the Grant Fund. MOVED to table; FAILED 3-6 on hand vote.

MOVED to amend amount to \$2825; FAILED for lack of second. Main motion PASSED 9-1 on a hand vote.

• Clerk's Report (Paul Selkirk)

Please sign in. Dues are \$16.

• Treasurer's Report (Nicholas Shectman)

I filed the corporate 990-EZ forms with the IRS (due to our fiscal year, they are due on January 15). They show gross revenue of about \$75,000*; grants made of about \$5500, and an overall net loss of about \$1750. Cash on hand is around \$40,000.

*Gross revenue includes every dollar taken in except money collected on behalf of someone else, which for us means the artists for art sales and the State of Massachusetts for sales tax. The sales table figures, banquet money such as the Sunday Sundae, and any targeted donations such as this year's donated money for deaf interpretation are all included in gross revenue for IRS purposes; in general IRS-rules numbers are higher than they would be under the accounting practices we have used internally in the recent past.

• Arisia '03 Report (Skip Morris)

Skip was busy collecting his artwork, but it was noted in passing that we had a con, and it was good.

We found the babysitting beepers, after Lisa Hertel bought 10 replacements for a total of about \$600. Babysitting would like to keep the beepers. We can either keep the new beepers, or return them, and wait for Skip to scavenge eBay. The meeting moved to a committee of the whole. The consensus decision was to return them; we can always repurchase them next fall if we need to.

• Corporate Inventory Control (Noel Rosenberg)

The new crates are really nice; now we have to solve the floor-space-in-the-truck problem.

Linda intends to get rid of Crap in the next couple months.

• Old Business

All existing old business was left on the table.

• New Business

MOVED to commend Skip on a well-run con; PASSED by acclamation.

• Announcements

We're loading out; please help.

Dead dog is in con suite after load-out.

• Meeting adjourned at 5:37 PM.

Bylaws Amendment

The following proposed Bylaws amendment would change the fiscal year.

Whereas the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of Arisia's fiscal year is January 15; and

Whereas conventions typically incur significant expenses in the preceding summer but not the following summer; hereby

Moved to amend Article IX, Section 1 of the Arisia Bylaws, replacing the words

"The fiscal year of the corporation runs from September 1 to August 31."

with

"The fiscal year of the corporation runs from July 1 to June 30."

signed

Nicholas Sheckman

Linda M. Nee

Noel Rosenberg

Alex Latzko

Skip Morris

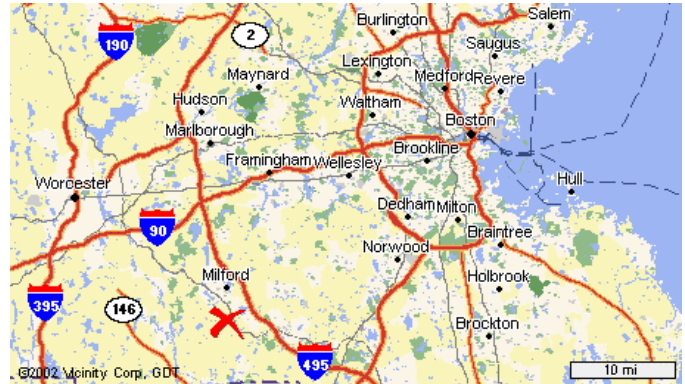
Directions to the February Meeting

Vandenberg/Kent Residence

5 Mill River Drive

Mendon, MA 01756

508-381-0582



Take I-495 to exit 18. At the exit traffic lights, turn left onto "126 South." Go past the Home Depot shopping center. **Stay in the right lane**, and go straight ahead, staying on East Hartford Ave, through the traffic light where 126 turns left. Continue past the Varney Bros. Concrete plant, over the railroad tracks (slowly), and across Route 140 (the traffic lights). The next street crossing is Plain St. on the right and Talbot Farm Drive on the left. About 500 feet further on, as the road dips down, is Mill River Drive on the left. Go to the end of Mill River Drive (dead end). Our house is the Victorian on the right on the circle. Feel free to park in the driveway or on the circle.

Membership/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	June	\$06
January	\$16	July	\$04
February	\$14	August	\$02

Executive Board

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Storage Facility Key Holders

Joel Herda
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Nicholas Shectman
Paul Selkirk
Skip Morris
Carsten Turner
Linda Nee
Cris Shuldiner
Bryttan Bradley
Lisa Hertel

Committee Members & Corporate Appointed Officers

Grant Committee Noel Rosenberg (chair) Claudia Mastroianni Walter Kahn	Database Committee Tom Murphy (chair) Michelle McGuire Tom Murphy Paul Selkirk Cris Shuldiner
Budget Committee Nicholas Shectman (chair) Alex Latzko	Long Range Planning Committee Cris Shuldiner (chair) Sheeri Kritzer
Corporate Inventory Control Linda Nee	Corporate Sales Officer Nicholas Shectman
Corporate Systems Administrator Cris Shuldiner	Survey Committee Claudia Mastroianni
Gaming Convention Exploratory Committee (vacant)	Technical Equipment Committee Joel Herda (chair) Liz Orenstein

Membership Roster

Aaron Agassi	Christopher Amshey
Rob Bazemore	Dave Belfer-Shevett
Bridget Boyle	Brian Cooper
Tom Coveney	Elka Tovah Davidoff
Regis M. Donovan	Tom Fish
George Flynn	Tracy Fogarty
Colette H. Fozard	Joel Herda
Brendan Hertel	Lisa Hertel
Walter Kahn	Allan Kent
Zanne Labonville	Alex Latzko
Benjamin Levy	Claudia Mastroianni
Patrick McCormack	Craig McDonough
Michelle McGuire	Erik J. Meyer
Skip Morris	Tom Murphy
Linda M. Nee	Elizabeth Orenstein
Karen Purcell	Brendan Quinn
Matthew F. Ringel	Mary Robison
Noel Rosenberg	Matthew Saroff
Paul Selkirk	Nicholas Shectman
Cris Shuldiner	Rachel Silber
Julia Tenney	Carsten Turner
Patricia Ann Vandenberg	

Calendar of Events

February 14-16, 2003

Boskone 40

Sheraton Hotel, Boston MA

February 16-17, 2003

SF28 Science Fiction Film Marathon

Coolidge Corner Theatre, Brookline MA

Tuesday, February 18, 2003, 7:30 PM.

Arisia Corporate Meeting

Vandenberg/Kent residence, Mendon MA

February 28-March 2, 2003

Intercon C

Radisson Hotel, Chelmsford MA

Sunday, March 16, 2003, 2:00 PM.

Arisia Corporate Meeting

MIT Building 66 Room 168, Cambridge MA

March 21-23, 2003

Lunacon 2003

Rye Town Hilton, Rye Brook NY

March 28-30, 2003

I-CON 22

SUNY Stony Brook, Stony Brook NY

April 18-21, 2003

Costume-Con 21

Doubletree Northshore, Skokie IL

April 18-20, 2003

Anime Boston

Boston Park Plaza, Boston MA

April 25-27, 2003

JerseyDevilCon

Sheraton Hotel, Edison NJ

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