

OSFCI Board of Directors Meeting

Held Online via Zoom

February 23rd, 2023

ATTENDING: Board members attending: D. Stephen Raymond (*OSFCI President*), Sky Bullock, Aaron Curtis, PJ Duckhorn (*OSFCI Secretary*), Rick Lindsley, Travis Peters (*OSFCI Treasurer*), Debra Stansbury, Keri Turner (*OSFCI Quartermaster*), and Linnea Thompson

Other attendees: Ley Hazard (*OryCon 43 Chair*), Cate Weber, Marilyn Holt (*Endeavour Award Chair*), John Lorentz, Ruth Sachter, Vincent Metal

Absent:

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.

It was noted at the start of the meeting that Earl Scott has resigned as Director.

I. Minutes from the previous meeting

Minutes from the 12/13/2022 meeting were accepted.

II. Treasurer's Report (Travis Peters)

- Wrapped Or-E-Con2
- Met with Rick to get checkbook and funds were moved to corporate account, leaving seed money.
- Moved all but donations, the remaining split from GameStorm 22 and funds were moved to corporate account.
- \$115,000 total funds, \$16,000 to be distributed to charities of the chair's choice.
- Will file extension for 2022 taxes.
- Outstanding issue: Getting OryCon 43 Treasurer set up.
- John Lorentz set up as signer for Endeavour account.

III. Online Business Recap

Discussion of masking at GameStorm

Earl Scott has resigned and requested removal from Board list

IV. Reports on Sponsored Activities

A. Conventions

a. Or-E-Con 2

According to Travis, convention is wrapped up.

b. GameStorm 23

- A lot of pushback on masking policy
- 650 pre-reg, number has dropped slightly (by 10 people)
- Travis will be handling on-site Treasurer duties, Earl will not be attending.

- Website recently replaced.
- Masking policy was announced last year, but not published widely
- Email blast sent, purchased MailChimp account to do so.
- Email issue has severely affected GameStorm, hoping to break even.
- Have flyers to be shared at game stores.
- Goal is to make GameStorm a good experience for attendees.
- Motion to cover MailChimp fees.
 - Account is charged by number of email addresses on list.
 - GameStorm and OryCon can be set up as separate lists.
 - Tabled to next meeting.

c. OryCon 43

- Online and offline promotion
- Will be posting more online.
- Don't have access to Twitter or website yet
- Happy that website is back up.
- Needs: Tech support lead, Security Lead, Artist Alley Coordinator, Merchandise Manager, Fundraising Manager, Publicity manager, had PR but they needed to step back due to personal reasons. Would like a daily Zine editor and someone to work on Pocket Program. Registration not available yet.
- Have not had proper registration database

d. Quartermaster report (moved forward with approval from Board.

- Continuing to transfer items into new totes
- Waiting on new card to be able to order new totes
- Next step is buying new shelves
- Hope to have everything but Hospitality done by GameStorm
- Keri was asked to research getting rid of old Art Show panels and steel
- Can get refund from storage unit, cost is not sunk
- Hospitality is space hog in storage unit

e. GameLab

No report received, no one from GameLab in attendance

B. Fund and Awards

1. Susan C. Petrey Clarion Scholarship Fund (Debbie Cross and Paul Wrigley)

Report was received by email.

2. Clayton Memorial Medical Fund

Plan to donate money to similar fund. Rick believes claim was withdrawn

3. Endeavour Award

- 2021 Award will be given at Norwescon on April 8th.
- Books for 2022 will be accepted almost immediately.

- Stephen reminded Con Chairs that it is acceptable to donate surpluses to Endeavour Award if the chairs wish to
- Looking into setting up Patreon account and other forms of fundraising for the award
- Patreon and PayPal would need to be set up through OSFCI's TIN
- Would like to be able to take online payments
- Trouble soliciting books this year
- Moved to ebooks
- Suggestion of including fiction podcasts

4. John Andrews Worldcon Grant (Debra Stansbury)

Memberships for 2023 have been purchased per Treasurer's report. Memberships for last WorldCon were donated. Debra stated she will be stepping down. Temp email address was set up

IV. Other Continuing Business

A. Departments

1. Archive Committee (Car Bostick) (no report received)

Per Travis, nothing to report at this time

2. Continuity Committee (Linnea Thompson)

No report from Linnea at this time

- Aaron asked what is purpose of committee not that OryCon is continuing
- Purpose is now to document current processes.
- Sky volunteered to be Board Liaison to OryCon 43
- Discussion of what liaison role entails

3. Hotel Committee (Aaron Curtis)

- Hotel has come back with offer of higher rates
- Rooms for \$145/night plus \$10.00 resort fee
- Then came back with \$125/night plus \$11.00 facility fee
- Glisan still available
- Replace 6 meetings/year with one meeting/year and retreat

4. Publicity (Holly Irons) (no report received)

5. Quartermaster (Keri Turner)

Report moved to earlier in the meeting

6. IT Committee

Been working on websites (OryCon and GameStorm) and getting email working again

7. Ombudsman (Jacob Engstrom)

No report received

8. Insurance (Aaron Curtis)

IV. Business Carried Over

Convention Reporting Guide: Look it over, suggest changes on Board email list

V. New Business

Vincent Metal will be writing up proposal to run GameStorm 24 and will have it sent by Saturday. Board will review and vote online. No hotel contract for GameStorm 24 at this time. Would like to see more done with video game content.

Next Board Meeting

Next Board Meeting will be held Thursday, April 27th at 6:30 PM via Zoom

Meeting adjourned at 9:13 PM