

Leprecon Inc Annual Board Meeting Minutes, Supplemental
August 17, 2008
Nadine Armstrong

The Secretary, Gary Swaty, left the meeting to attend another one elsewhere. Nadine Armstrong volunteered to take minutes for the duration of the meeting.

Election for LepreCon 37 (2011)

As Mark Boniece also needed to leave it was decided to go ahead and hold the election for LepreCon 37, to be held in 2011. Lee Whiteside and Mark Boniece were nominated and both accepted. Both candidates were asked to speak.

Mark mentioned his previous experience chairing a LepreCon (27 & 30). He also said that communication would be better now as he has a cell phone, and also that he has some new ideas for things he'd like to try.

Lee mentioned that he had chaired LepreCon 28, the Nebula Awards, and is chairing the DiscWorld convention. He said that he would like to get some consistency and to make sure that things he will start in 2010 continue on, and that he is willing to incorporate other peoples' ideas.

Votes were then taken. Mike asked for volunteers to count the votes. Kevin McAlonan and Jim Webbert volunteered.

During vote counting, there was some discussion of the bank fees on the checking accounts and some other issues with Wells Fargo.

Final vote count Lee Whiteside-14, Mark Boniece-3 for a total of 17 votes. Mike Willmoth officially thanked Mark Boniece for running.

Jean Goddin suggested that a running list of suggested guests be made for the help of chairs. Mike Willmoth asked that anyone with suggestions please email them to him at mwillmoth@leprecon.org.

The meeting then returned to the normal order with online business discussed next.

Online Business

Stephanie Bannon's post on the SMOFs' mailist was discussed along with the board's response. Also mentioned that responses to her other posts were on file.

Westercon 62 received permission to charge a 15% commission on sales in the Art Show. Previous rate was 12%. David Gish asked for the update.

The hotel contract with Tempe Mission Palms for the Bouchercon 2010 bid was approved.

\$200.00 was donated to the Arizona Browncoats for their charity screening of Firefly, which raised \$7200 dollars for Equality Now.

We received a thank you from the Francisco Grande Resort for LepreCon 34.

The purchase of shelves for the Leprecon storage room was approved.

Mike Willmoth paid for 1 more year of the climate-controlled storage unit and was reimbursed.

Mike Willmoth was quoted in an electronic guide for event planners.

New Business

It was suggested that Leprecon maintain an email list for announcements. Mike had set one up, but suggested adding in the members of Westercon 62 and DiscWorld. The original list was based on data from LepreCon 34. That way, there would be one list for general announcements. The Yahoo! group was mentioned, but it was noted that it is an opt-in thing, so is not used by many people.

SciFi Horror Film Festival: Lee Whiteside said that he will get the amount from them and will get back to the board.

Board Elections

As Liz Hanson has resigned there is a 2-year past chair position unfilled. There was discussion of Lee Whiteside's 3-yr at-large position and whether it was up. Lee W. is rolling off. Shahn Cornell has 1 year left on his 2-yr past chair position; Mike Cassidy has 2 years left on his 3-yr at-large position; and Mike Willmoth has 1 year left on his 3-yr at-large position.

Nominations were opened for the 3-yr position at-large position.

Jean Goddin and Lee Whiteside were nominated.

Lee Whiteside declined the nomination as he would have to resign before the end of the term as he is chairing LepreCon 36.

Jean Goddin accepted.

Nominations were closed.

Nominations were opened for the 2-yr past chair position.

Ethan Moe cannot have a voting position as he is chairing LepreCon 35.

Lee Whiteside was nominated and accepted.

Nominations were closed. It was moved that both positions be filled by acclamation. Many Yes, 1 No, 3 Abstentions.

Elections for Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer of the Board

Nominations: Chair - Mike Willmoth; Vice-Chair - Shahn Cornell; Treasurer - Jeff Richards; Secretary - Nadine Armstrong and Gary Swaty. (Gary S. had declared his willingness to remain in the position prior to departing.) All nominations were accepted.

It was moved to fill Chair, Vice-Chair, and Treasurer by acclamation: Many Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstention.

Voting for Secretary took place. Kevin McAlonan and Jim Webbert again counted votes.

Announcements were then made.

Lee announced the SciFi Horror Film festival, Adventurecon and the Dark Ones' Party. Adventure will be at the Cardinals' stadium with Kevin Sorbo, David Prowse, and Rob Zombie, along with some comics artists. Lee is seeing about having fliers. May be big but not much local promotion.

Mike Willmoth announced that CopperCon is Mother's Day weekend and that he and Jean will be attending Bouchercon, World Fantasy, TusCon, OryCon, LosCon and SmofCon to promote Westercon 62 and DiscWorld.

Results for Secretary: Nadine 13, Gary 0, Larry 1 (write-in)

Jeff Richards and Nadine Armstrong are the non-voting members of the board.

Dates for Next Meeting: November 16th is the only day Mike Willmoth and Jean Goddin are available. Date was ok'd by group. November 16th at 3PM at same location.

Motion to adjourn at 4:59 P.M.