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## San Francisco Science Fiction Conventions, Inc.

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# Regular Meeting of Board of Directors Minutes

Saturday, July 26, 2014, Fremont, California

## 1. Call to Order

The regular trimesterly meeting of the Board of Directors of SFSFC, Inc., met on Saturday, July 26, 2014, in the Depot Cafe, 37260 Fremont Blvd., Fremont CA 94536. The meeting was called to order at 11:09 AM, President David Gallaher presiding and Secretary Kevin Standlee recording. Members present (\*by telephone †*ex officio* non-voting director ‡director emeritus): Sandra Childress, David W. Clark, Kathryn Duval† (arrived 12:50 PM), David Gallaher, Glenn Glazer, Dawn Plaskon†, Kevin Roche†, Cindy Scott, Spike\*, Randy Smith, Kevin Standlee, Andy Trembley. Members absent: Lisa Deutsch Harrigan, Cheryl Morgan, Tom Whitmore‡.

## 2. Previous Minutes

The minutes of the previous meetings are now adopted by unanimous consent via the Board e-mail list and published on the corporation's web site.

## 3. Officer Reports

### 3.1. President

Nothing to report

### 3.2. Treasurer

Treasurer Lisa Deutsch Harrigan is traveling and not able to report.

Assistant Treasurer Cindy Scott reported that we have received a full abatement of the penalties and interest for an inadvertent late filing of informational returns from several years ago, thanks to excellent work done by an Enrolled Agent (Russell Barnett) on our behalf, which cost us \$500 (money well-spent).

#### 3.2.1. Financial Statements

Financial statements were not available for this meeting.

#### 3.2.2. Banking

The Treasurer plans to eventually move our accounts to Technology Credit Union, but has not yet had the opportunity to do so.

### 3.3 Secretary

The SFSFC web site has been updated with the latest minutes, but is behind on other things, particularly including the announcement of our Worldcon bid.

## **4. Standing Committee Reports**

### **4.1. London in 2014 Committee**

Spike reported. (See Appendix A for full report.)

### **4.2. Westercon 66 Committee**

Co-Chairs Andy Trembley and Kevin Roche reported. Our last mailing is going out today. When the last set of payments clears, the Committee will recommend its discharge. When the committee is discharged, any remaining Westercon 66 funds will be deposited to the SFSFC General Fund.

### **4.3. Nebula Awards Weekend**

Dawn Plaskon and Cindy Scott reported: We survived. The people who worked with us would work with us again. There were issues regarding the Awards ceremony itself. The programming was well-received. SFWA was generally satisfied with our performance as conference organizers. The committee has a few remaining expenses to mop up before it can recommend its discharge.

### **4.4. San Jose in 2018 Worldcon Bid Committee**

At 11:40 AM, the meeting went into Committee of the Whole, Vice President David W. Clark presiding, to discuss the report of the SJ in 2018 Worldcon Bid Committee presented by SJ2018 Chair Andy Trembley. The Committee of the Whole rose at 12:20 PM, reporting that it needed additional time to consider the report of the SJ in 2018 Committee.

The meeting recessed at 12:20 PM and reconvened at 12:51 PM, then went back into Committee of the Whole, Vice President David W. Clark presiding, to continue discussing the report of the SJ in 2018 Worldcon Bid Committee.

At 12:56 the Committee of the Whole rose and reported that:

The SJ2018 Committee continues to recruit staff and organize itself, and this effort is ramping up and needs to intensify soon, with an emphasis on key positions including regional agents.

The bid currently has 62 total members (33 pre support, 1 pre-oppose, 25 Friends, 3 Venture Capitalist). This amounts to just over \$4,000 in bid revenue.

At Loncon 3, we will host a fan table, but due to the expense and logistical challenges of hosting parties at the ExCel Center, we do not plan to host a party there; we may, however, sponsor one of the benches on the convention's Exhibits Concourse.

The Committee is developing a plan of conventions we will be attending in the medium term future.

## **5. Special Committee Reports**

### **5.1. SMOFCon Scholarship Committee**

The SMOFCon Scholarship Committee was continued by unanimous consent.

### **5.2. Strategic Development Committee**

The Strategic Development Committee has no business and was not continued; therefore, the committee dissolves automatically by the "sunset" rule.

## **6. Unfinished Business**

### 6.1 1993 Hugo Award Restoration

Mr. Clark reported regarding the possibility of SFSFC funding a restoration or replacement of the pewter plaques on the 1993 Hugo Award trophies awarded by ConFrancisco. Mr. Clark has done no research on this project at this time and will report again at a future meeting.

## **7. New Business**

There was no new business submitted.

## **8. Announcements/Future Meetings**

### 8.1. 2014 Meetings

The President designated a new date for the November meeting (see below). Future meeting dates for 2014 are as follows:

- November 22, 2014, 11 AM PST, at the home of Cindy Scott

## **9. Adjournment**

By unanimous consent, the meeting adjourned at 1:05 PM.

Kevin Standlee Secretary

*[Approved by Unanimous Consent without meeting, November 1, 2014]*

## **Appendix A: London 2014 Report, March 15, 2014**

### **London in 2014 Committee Report – July 26, 2014**

#### **Membership:**

Loncon 3, the 72nd Worldcon has topped 9000 members.

As of July 18, 2014, we have 9049 total members (including day memberships and hall passes) from 64 countries. The total membership numbers include 5473 adults/young adult attending members.

#### **Promotions:**

As we move closer to the date of our convention, we have been ramping down effort in North America as we increase outreach in Europe. Most of the outreach has been via flyers at conventions with only a few events and fan tables in the US.

Since our previous report, we have had a presence at the following events:

Lunacon  
Norwescon  
Nebula Weekend  
WisCon

#### **Financial Summary:**

\$10,527.81 funds in the checking account as of June 30, 2014.

This account balance represents revenue from souvenir book ad sales and Loncon3 memberships (paid in US dollars by cash or check) minus expenses related to the promotional events and shipping flyers to conventions and progress reports to members.

Credit card payments go directly into the Loncon 3 WorldPay account in the UK, outside the purview of this Committee.

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