

**Lone Star Mensa
Board of Officers Minutes
6:00 P.M., April 5, 2014**

Café Express, 3418 North Lamar Blvd. Austin, TX 78705

The **April 2014** regular meeting of the Lone Star Mensa Board of Officers convened at **6:00 P.M., April 5, 2014 at Café Express, 3418 North Lamar Blvd. Austin, TX 78705**

Those present: Geri Neemidge, Leslie Stevenson, Douglas Yee, John Neemidge, Ron Edelstein, Aaron Rabushka, Johnnie Vaughn, Doug Williams.

The board adopted the agenda and adopted the minutes of the March 2014 Board meeting on page 4 of the April 2014 Armadillo Literary Gazette. The minutes, agenda, referenced written reports, and any other documents related to the meeting will be available on the LSM Website. Paper copies are available on request.

Reports from senior officers, standing committees, special committees

- Patsy Graham sent reports on Mind Games, Website Working Group, and as New Members Chair. The full reports can be seen on the website.
Mind Games 2014: 232 registrants as of 4/4/14, and Patsy had received 40 of the 56 games. T-Shirts, Decorations, Badge Holders and Mugs all on track - looks good!
Website Working Group: Awaiting details
New Member Chair: Patsy never received new member lists from July-December 2013 and January 2014. The February 2014 list was not in a usable format, but the March 2014 were useable. She still needs the previous missing lists.
- Don Drumtra sent a Circulation Coordinator Report about the newsletter mailings.
\$28 penalty fine because of barcode label issues. 27% of the labels the National Office sent us were not functional due to unreadable barcodes. Don will notify N.O. about the issue. He also thanks everyone for helping with the seal & label.
- Leslie Stevenson submitted a report concerning LoneStaRG XVI. Please see website for full report - which is mostly covered in her ALG article for May 2014.

Unfinished business and general orders

- Board of Officers meetings and General Membership meetings
In an effort to try to get more participation and accommodate more schedules the board wanted to try scheduling the Board of Officers meetings and General Membership Meetings to the 3rd Saturday of every month. These will be scheduled early so that there will be a break between these meetings and Games Night events.
At Carver Branch Austin Public Library: 1161 Angelina St., Austin, TX, 78702
May 17th: 2:30-4:30PM: General Membership Meeting
(The May 17th Board of Officers meeting is TBD as of this time)

At Twin Oaks Branch of Austin Public Library: 1800 S. Fifth St., Austin, TX, 78704

June 21st: 1:00-4:45PM: Board meeting followed by General meeting

July 19th: 1:00-4:45PM: Board meeting followed by General meeting

August 16th: 1:00-4:45PM: Board meeting followed by General meeting

At the Old Quarry Branch of Austin Public Library: 7051 Village Center Dr., Austin, TX, 78731

September 20th: 1:00-4:45PM: Board meeting followed by General meeting

October 18th: 1:30-4:45PM: Board meeting followed by General meeting

November 15th: 1:00-4:45PM: Board meeting followed by General meeting

- Also Games Night is looking around for alternative locations.
The May 17th Games Night will be at Emerald Tavern Games & Cafe (7-10PM as usual)
Located at the SW corner of Burnett Road and Research Blvd (US Hwy 183), in the Lone Star Center (Furniture Row, Sherlock's Pub, Olive Garden, Cavender's Boot City)
9012 Research Blvd, Suite C6
Austin, TX 78758
<http://www.emeraldtaverngames.com/>

New Business

- The board discussed communications between board meetings. Douglas Yee will be setting up a discussion forum for the board and special committee discussions as soon as he is able to get access to the new site.
- Johnnie Vaughn moved to commend the existing Website Working group for their detailed work over the years since 2007, and to release them from additional responsibilities with the published thanks of the Board. A statement of commendation will be entered into the record, and published in the ALG. This motion passed unanimously.
- Johnnie Vaughn moved to revoke Standing Rule ASIE 2007-1, as last amended by ASIE 2010-18. This motion passed unanimously.
- John Neemidge moved that the revocation of Standing Rule ASIE 2007-1 motion shall not be interpreted to remove a person from office that they currently hold and are active in. This motion passed unanimously.
- Johnnie Vaughn moved to appoint a Bylaws Review & Revision Committee. This motion passed unanimously.
- Geri Neemidge appointed Johnnie Vaughn chair of the Bylaws Review & Revision Committee with full support of the board members present.
- Other chapter organizational changes were discussed and no decisions were made.
- Leslie moved that the first 30 members who read these minutes and send an email with the subject of "COOKIE!" will receive a nifty Mensa prize of moderate value. leslielstevenson@gmail.com Or possibly a cookie.

- Douglas Yee verified who should be removed from the LSM checking account and who would be added, also that he would be changing the banking address to his home address.

Announcements

The next regular monthly Board meetings are scheduled for:

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The next testing sessions are scheduled for:

Undetermined, but maybe at Mind Games?

The board meeting adjourned at 7:26PM.

Website Working Group

The Lone Star Mensa Board of Officers would like to commend the Website Working Group for the research, planning, discussions and meetings they used to come up with a workable detailed recommendation for what the Lone Star Mensa website should entail. This report can be found at

<http://www.lsm.us.mensa.org/board/201105/ReportofWebSiteRedesignCommittee20110501.pdf>

The Website Working Group created a statement of purpose to guide this report:

To foster a sense of community within LSM, by keeping members informed and involved, to attract new members, and to make LSM information available to the public.

With this report in hand, the board will work to implement the guidelines established by this group.