

Lone Star Mensa

Board of Officers Minutes

Saturday, September 20th, 1:00 - 3:00 P.M

Old Quarry Branch of the Austin Public Library: 7051 Village Center Drive, Austin, TX 78731

Meeting called to order at 1:05pm

Attending: Don Drumtra, Douglas Yee, Geri Neemidge, John Neemidge, Paige Neemidge, Ron Edelstein, Doug Williams, Leslie Stevenson, and Cecil Atkinson

Adopted the agenda and approved the minutes from June 21st and July 19th, 2014.

Geri's President report:

We want to make a mission statement, but want to discuss this in an online forum. Douglas Yee will make an online forum for the board to be able to use, and John Neemidge will work on online use guidelines.

Treasurer's Report: Douglas and Don went to talk with Gilly at the bank to verify that someone must secure a credit card (rather than the account itself.) Nobody wants to sign on to be the guarantor - so Douglas will research different banks to see what options are available.

Testing: Johnnie: August saw LSM proctors testing a total of 10 prospects in Bryan and Round Rock. Due to the upcoming special promotion in October, we'll only be conducting one testing session during September on the 27th. October is Mensa Membership Month with the testing fee being reduced to \$20 for the entire month. We also have new proctors in training. Still could use more proctors (especially in areas outside of Austin/Round Rock!)

Advertising/Promotions: LSM received some good feedback and additional prospects from our participation at Geekfest, and two of the Round Rock RG test takers had been recruited through our information booth at ArmadilloCon. We are seeing some positive results from our outreach program, but we need more people to help out with manning the booths.

The next con is WaCon, the Waco gaming convention held October 24-26. We will be conducting two testing sessions (Friday and Saturday) and will have an information booth in the main vendor area.

RG Report: Leslie was unable to conduct the wrap-up in September, may have to wait until mid November for the RG 2014 wrap-up and more discussion on RG 2015.

Geri moved that LSM donate \$30.00 to the ALS Association to bring the RG total from the Ice Bucket Challenge to \$200.00 even. Motion unanimously passed.

RG 2015: Discussed idea for the ExComm to chair the RG this year, with whoever may want to do 2016 as co-chair or hospitality. The idea is that someone serves on the committee for a year before chairing (like the "ottoman" that other RG's have.)

The board discussed trying to move the board meeting & general membership meeting to the second Saturday of the month in 2015. Geri will look into seeing what is available for scheduling.

The board decided to remove the LSM Chat List email blast account, but decided on keeping the LSM Announce list.

Announcements

Board of Officers Meetings followed by General Membership Meetings:

November 15th: 1:00-4:45PM: Board meeting followed by General meeting
at the Old Quarry Branch of the Austin Public Library

7051 Village Center Drive, Austin, TX

The meeting adjourned at 2:10PM