

Agenda – April 17th, 2005 (SGCM)

1. **CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL**
2. **MINUTES**
 - a. Waive reading of April 3rd TM & SGC Minutes
 - b. Approve April 3rd TM & SGC Minutes
3. **OLD BUSINESS**
 - a. Mark Worrell
 - b. CC28 Merchant List Reconciliation Report - Treasurer and Tex Albritton
 - c. Call for other Old Business
4. **CORRESPONDENCE**
 - a. Volunteer Letter
5. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - I. **CoastCon 29**
 - a. Set CC29 Merchant Table Prices
 - b. Revise CC29 Merchant Package
 - c. Approve CC29 Staff Positions
 - i. Merchant Room Director – Tex Albritton
 - ii. Merchant Room Assistant – Liz Reesman
 - iii. Fan Liaison – William Murphy
 - d. Approve CC29 Guest List
 - e. Guidelines for selecting Fan Guest of Honor
 - II. **MicroCon 0**
 - a. MicroCon 0 Hotel Report
 - b. Newsletter & Advertising Options
 - c. Programming
 - III. **CC, Inc.**
 - a. Sam's Club Application
 - b. Inc Credit Card
 - c. FOCUS
 - d. Fundraising
 - e. Call for other New Business
7. **OTHER BUSINESS**
8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
9. **ADJOURNMENT**

COASTCON, INC.
Governing Committee Meeting
April 17th, 2005

TIME AND PLACE: Sunday; April 17, 2005; 2:30pm; Majure Home, Ocean Springs, MS

PRESIDING: Cynthia Majure, Chairman

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cynthia Majure, Carmen Tempone, Garland Young, Mark Tempone, William Murphy, Kristina Hanck, Lynn Jerome

MEMBERS ABSENT: Bill Majure, Mike White

OTHERS PRESENT: Tex Albritton, Lon Jerome, Derek Baudoin

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting is called to order at 2:26 pm.

AGENDA: Agenda is distributed to members.

MOTION: Mark Tempone SECOND: Carmen Tempone
"To accept agenda as distributed."
Motion carries.

MINUTES: Minutes of April 3rd Transition Meeting and April 3rd Special Governing Committee Meeting are distributed to members.

MOTION: Carmen Tempone SECOND: Will Murphy
"To waive the reading of the April 3rd TM and SGC Minutes."
Motion carries.

MOTION: Cynthia Majure SECOND: Carmen Tempone
"To accept the of the April 3rd TM and SGC Minutes as distributed to members."
Motion carries.

OLD BUSINESS: Mark Worrell Report – Tex Albritton spoke to Mark Worrell and matched up individual and company names for vendors; all are accounted for, and all but one has paid, which was a simple oversight. Tex will contact the vendor who has not paid and collect their fees. Cynthia Majure will send an email invitation to Mark to attend the April 24th meeting to answer other questions.

OLD BUSINESS:

Herbie and George Award Criteria Write-Ups – Will Murphy, Garland Young and Kristina Hanck are still working on their write-ups, and will present them at the April 24th meeting.

Budget – Carmen Tempone and Cynthia Majure will continue working on the budget, and will present it at the April 24th meeting.

Storage – Cynthia Majure reminds Board that CC property is awaiting removal from her house to the storage unit.

Payment Arrangement – Lon Jerome reminds Board to meet with him to draft a Payment Schedule; Carmen Tempone will draft one and present it at the April 24th meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE: Cynthia Majure reads aloud a letter from someone new in town wishing to volunteer from CoastCon, and reports that she invited them to both the April 24th GC meeting and MicroCon 0.

NEW BUSINESS: Set Merchant Table Prices – After a review of a proposal for prices submitted by the Chairman, the Board discusses how to set prices for Merchant Tables.

MOTION: Garland Young SECOND: Carmen Tempone
“To set the Merchant Table prices to: \$140.00 for one table, \$250.00 for two tables, \$330.00 for three tables, and \$80.00 each for each additional table; and that any merchant who wishes to purchase six or more tables will be eligible for the “Power Pack”, the prices of which will be negotiated by the Merchant Room Director, subject to approval by the Board.”
Motion carries.

Revise the Merchant Package – Discussion by Board.

MOTION: William Murphy SECOND: Carmen Tempone
“That each Merchant Table cost include two badges, and that merchants may purchase additional badges for \$20.00 each.”
Motion carries.

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION: Carmen Tempone SECOND: William Murphy
“That the operating hours for the Merchant Room be tentatively set for: Friday, Noon to 8:00 pm, Saturday, 9:00 am to 6:00 pm, Sunday, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.”
Motion carries.

MOTION: William Murphy SECOND: Carmen Tempone
“That merchants requiring electrical power may purchase it for \$25.00 for the weekend; that the power will be run to the edge of their space, and that they provide all cords and surge protectors; that arrangements to provide electrical power will only be accepted in advance (none will be arranged or sold during the event).”
Motion carries.

MOTION: William Murphy SECOND: Carmen Tempone
“That merchants requiring phone access in their space may purchase it “at cost”, the actual price being added to the Merchant Packet after hotel gives us their cost.”
Motion carries.

MOTION: Garland Young SECOND: Lynn Jerome
“That the fee for any checks returned to CoastCon be increased from \$30.00 to \$50.00.”
Motion carries.

Approve CC29 Staff Position Nominations – the Board reviews the nominees, all of whom accepted their nominations.

MOTION: Garland Young SECOND: Carmen Tempone
“That TEX ALBRITTON be designated the CC29 Merchant Room Director; that ELIZABETH REESMAN be designated the CC29 Merchant Room Assistant; that WILLIAM MURPHY be designated the CC29 Fan Liaison; that LON JEROME be designated the CC29 Gaming Director; that CARMEN TEMPONE be designated the CC29 Charity Liaison.”
Motion carries.

NEW BUSINESS:

Approve CC29 Guest List –

MOTION: Mark Tempone SECOND: Carmen Tempone
“To table this discussion until the end of this meeting.”
Motion carries.

MicroCon 0 Hotel Report – Cynthia Majure reports that, after telephone approval from each Board Member, the date for the MicroCon 0 has been changed from June to July 19th. This will move the event farther from the MunchCon (June) event, better enabling CoastCon members to support the MunchCon event.

MicroCon 0 will be held at the President Tower Hotel on Saturday, July 19th. The President has offered CoastCon the space used at MicroCon –1 (the Emerald, Crystal and Topaz Ballrooms). In addition, the President will allow us to use the Pre-Assembly area (where the CC28 art room was held) and the glass office (where the CC28 con ops office was). This additional space will allow us to ask merchants to attend MicroCon 0, as well as expand our programming options.

MicroCon 0 may also be used as a Special General Membership Meeting, with an opportunity to present Bylaw Amendments to the attending members. There would be a fee to enjoy the gaming and other MC programming, but the General Membership Meeting would be open to anyone who is a full member in good standing.

Newsletter and Advertising – Mark Tempone reports that the newsletter will be sent out to the members, and that advertising for the MicroCon events will be included.

Programming – Cynthia Majure suggests that the programming for MC0 be much more structured than was the programming for MC-1. The Board discusses the types of gaming and LARPing that should be scheduled, including tournament possibilities. Lon Jerome agrees to gather information and present it at a future meeting.

Sam’s Club Application – Cynthia Majure suggests that the Board consider obtaining a Sam’s Club Card under the CoastCon name, enabling a larger group to make “Sam’s

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runs” during events. Cynthia will collect information and present it at the April 24th meeting.

CC Inc Credit Card – Cynthia Majure suggests that the Board consider obtaining a corporate credit card. This would facilitate making travel arrangements for guests and securing both convention space and guest rooms, bypassing the problems faced during CC28. Carmen Tempone will collect information from the bank and present it at the April 24th meeting.

FOCUS – Cynthia Majure suggests that CoastCon found a “Friends of CoastCon Undying Support” Club, the members of which would support CoastCon through donations throughout the year. Donors would be listed in the Program Book. A “Make a Donation” button could be added to the website in order to facilitate donations made through Paypal.

MOTION: Mark Tempone SECOND: Carmen Tempone
“To table the discussion of whether or not to accept any kind of payment (even donations) through Paypal until further discussion and study by the Board.”
Motion carries.

Fundraising – Cynthia Majure reports raising about \$45.00 for CoastCon through a Pampered Chef party. Garland Young challenges each Board Member to raise \$500.00 for CoastCon by Labor Day, anyone doing so being eligible for a dinner at his expense.

Call for other new business – Board discusses dividing responsibility for creating the Program Book from other Programming responsibilities.

MOTION: Garland Young SECOND: Carmen Tempone
“That a staff position entitled “Graphic Artist” be created, and that the Graphic Artist be responsible for illustrations for the Program Book, posters, flyers, and other CC advertising; that the Graphic Artist report to the Programming Director.”
Motion carries.

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION: Carmen Tempone SECOND: Cynthia Majure
“That Kristina Hanck (who accepts the nomination) be designated the CC29 Graphic Artist.”
Motion carries.

Meeting recesses at 6:00 pm for a dinner break.
Meeting resumes at 7:58 pm.

Call for other new business – Carmen Tempone reminds Cynthia Majure to inquire into returning “Coast Coupons” for a refund.

Call for other new business – Mark Tempone distributes Bylaw Amendment proposals; the Board reviews and discusses each in turn. (See attached Bylaw Amendment Proposal ONE, TWO, THREE and FOUR)

MOTION: Mark Tempone SECOND: William Murphy
“To accept Bylaw Amendment Proposal ONE as presented to the Board.”
Motion carries.

MOTION: Mark Tempone SECOND: William Murphy
“To accept Bylaw Amendment Proposal TWO as presented to the Board.”
Motion carries.

MOTION: Mark Tempone SECOND: Kristina Hanck
“To accept Bylaw Amendment Proposal THREE as presented to the Board.”
Motion carries.

MOTION: Carmen Tempone SECOND: Garland Young
“To accept Bylaw Amendment Proposal FOUR as presented to the Board.”
Motion carries.

Tex Albritton leaves at 9:00 pm.

Call for other new business – Board discusses setting the CC29 Pre-Registration and Registration prices.

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION: Kristina Hanck SECOND: Carmen Tempone
“To set the CC29 Pre-Registration price to \$30.00, and the
“at the door” CC29 Rate to \$40.00; that the Board retain
the option of offering a “Special Event Rate”, price to be
determined by Board approval.”

Motion carries.

MOTION: Kristina Hanck SECOND: Carmen Tempone
“To receive the CC29 Pre-Registration price of \$30.00,
forms must be turned in personally by, or postmarked no
later than, January 31st; that any forms or payment received
later than January 31st be held until CC29, at which time
the \$30.00 may be applied towards the full \$40.00 rate
due.”

Motion carries.

MOTION: William Murphy SECOND: Kristina Hanck
“That a Senior Rate of \$28.00 be offered for CC29.”

Motion fails.

MOTION: William Murphy SECOND: Carmen Tempone
“That a Senior Rate be offered at CC29.”

Tie Vote; Chairman votes “Nay”. Motion fails.

MOTION: Cynthia Majure SECOND: Garland Young
“That the day rates for CC29 be: Friday - \$20.00; Saturday
- \$25.00; Sunday - \$15.00; Art Room/Merchant Room
Only Pass - \$6.00.”

Motion carries.

Resume discussion for approving CC29 Guests – Mark
Tempone reads guest suggestions from the surveys filled
out by CC28 members. The Board discusses each
candidate from the previous Chairman’s proposal list at
great length. Among the topics discussed are how many
guests should be invited under each category (i.e., Science,
Media, Art, etc); the merits of “repeat” guests; the
availability of different nominated guests; adding guests to
and subtracting guests from the former Chairman’s
proposal list; whether or not to create a formal criteria list
for selecting Fan Guests of Honor.

NEW BUSINESS: MOTION: Cynthia Majure SECOND: Carmen Tempone
“To designate DAVE and VICKY PERRY as the CC29
Fan Guests of Honor.”
Motion carries.

MOTION: Mark Tempone SECOND: Lynn Jerome
“To table the discussion of the remainder of the CC29 guest
list pending the gathering of information about the
availability and cost of the other guests until the April 24th
meeting.”
Motion carries.

OTHER BUSINESS: None.
ANNOUNCEMENTS: Reminder that the April 24th GC Meeting will be at 5:00
pm in the back meeting room at Red Lobster, located on
Hwy 90 in Biloxi.

ADJOURNMENT: MOTION: Cynthia Majure SECOND: Carmen Tempone
“That the Transition Meeting be adjourned.”
Motion carries.
Meeting adjourns at 11:50 pm.

APPROVED: _____ ADOPTED: _____
Chairman Date

Minutes recorded by Cynthia Majure