

COASTCON, INC.
Special Governing Committee Meeting
Coastcon 30 / Revenge of the LARP's Event
July 30, 2006

TIME AND PLACE: Sunday, July 30, 2006, 1:00pm
Meeting Room of Simone & Associates, 450 E. Pass Road, Suite 3, Gulfport

PRESIDING: Cynthia Majure, Chairman

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cynthia Majure, Kristina Hanck, Mike White, Mark Tempone, Derrek Baudoin, Niels Erickson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Bill Majure, Lana White, Jason Fisher

OTHERS PRESENT: Jennifer Parker, Mary Gruenberg, Jessica Parker, Daniel Williams, Carol Ross, Duncan Scott Anderson, Anita Michelle White, Tajia Wendt, Tex Albritton, Tony Kimsey, Anthony Randall

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting is called to order at 1:23 pm. A quorum is verified.

AGENDA: Agenda distributed to those in attendance.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY:

I. Revenge of the LARPS event – petition of Board Members by LARP groups to change event back to multiple-day event

Chairman announces: The bronze Haven LARP group is well represented and Anthony Randall of the SOLAR LARP group plans to be in attendance. This meeting is to allow Kristina Hanck and the representatives of the local LARP groups to present their case before the board as to why the Revenge of the LARP's event should not be reduced to a one-day timeframe.

Chairman reviews for those in attendance the results of the voting at the previous Governing Committee meeting regarding changing the Revenge of the LARP's event from a three-day event to a one-day event.

Chairman reminds attendees that this event is first and foremost to be considered a fundraiser for CoastCon, Inc.

MOTION: C. Majure

“To open discussion regarding amending the previously adopted motion changing the Revenge of the LARP's event to a one-day event.”

Motion carries

Kristina Hanck provides the board members with an information packet including a proposed schedule and budget for the Revenge of the LARP's event.

Board reviews the information and open discussion begins.

1:35 pm – Anthony Randall arrives

1:57 pm – Tony Kimsey Arrives

2:34 pm – Meeting adjourns for a 10 minute break.

3:07 pm – Meeting Reconvenes

MOTION: C. Majure

“To amend the motion: ‘To change the Revenge of the LARP’s to a one-day event’ to ‘To make the Revenge of the LARP’s event a two-day event held on September 9th & 10th of 2006.’”

Motion carries

3:28 pm – Anthony Randall departs

Discussion: It is pointed out that since this is not the actual CoastCon convention, but rather a fund raising event for CoastCon, Inc., the Volunteer rate will be allowed to be lower than the Staff rate. The dealer’s rate of \$20.00 total per table will cover the cost of one table for both days of the event. However, dealers may operate tables on Saturday only or on Sunday only with no penalties; the \$20.00 table rate still applies to Merchants who choose to operate for only one day. Dealers who choose to depart prior to the end of the event agree to relinquish their table space; vacant tables will be utilized as the event staff sees fit. No provisions for a one-day pass for any attendee, volunteer, dealer, or staff member shall be made for this event.

MOTION: C. Majure

“To set the following rates for the Revenge of the LARP’s event:”

\$20.00 – General Admission

\$15.00 – Staff

\$10.00 – Volunteers

Dealers: \$20 per table with one free membership provided per table

Motion carries

MOTION: C. Majure

“To approve a budget of \$850.00 for the Revenge of the LARP’s event as per the attached schedule of expected expenses.”

Motion carries

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“To approve the following persons as staff members for the Revenge of the LARP’s event.”

Kristina Hanck – Chairman
Cynthia Majure – Vice Chairman
Mark Tempone – Operations

Motion carries

MOTION: C. Majure

“To place an advertisement in the Babelcon program book advertising for both the CoastCon 30 convention and the Revenge of the LARP’s event, provided the book has not yet gone to press and provided the cost does not exceed \$50.00.”

Motion carries

MOTION: C. Majure

“To set the membership rates for the CoastCon 30 convention as follows:”

\$40.00 – at the door
\$35.00 – pre-registration via mail for registration forms received with payment prior to February 1, 2007
\$30.00 – pre-registration if accepted from an attendee at any special event as specified by the Governing Committee of CoastCon, Inc.

Motion carries

NEW BUSINESS: **CoastCon 30 Venue –**

Group reviews locations and costs open during desired CC30 timeframe. As the CC30 Sub-committee Chairman, Cynthia Majure recommends that CC30 be held at the Coliseum.

MOTION: N. Erickson

“To accept the Coast Coliseum Convention Center as the venue for CoastCon 30.”

Motion carries

MOTION: C. Majure

“To accept the single line item of the CoastCon 30 budget allowing payment of a \$1,000.00 deposit to reserve the convention space at the Coliseum.”

Motion carries

CALL FOR OTHER NEW BUSINESS:

Fan auction – Tex Albritton suggests the idea of reviving an older tried-and-true method of raising funds for Science Fiction conventions, the “Fan Auction”. This would consist of convention attendees bidding on donated items with all proceeds going directly to CoastCon. This would be separate from the Charity Auction that CoastCon usually holds. It is agreed to take this under advisement to be further investigated and discussed at a future meeting.

In light of CoastCon preparing to accept donations and solicit donations to cover their operating expenses, the Chairman recommends that we officially register

CoastCon, Inc. as a charitable organization with the Mississippi Secretary of State's office.

MOTION: C. Majure

“To officially register CoastCon, Inc. with the Mississippi Secretary of State's office as a charitable organization.”

Motion carries

CoastCon 30 Brainstorming Retreat – Cynthia Majure speaks on Jason Fisher's behalf to suggest planning a CoastCon 30 retreat weekend for Board and Staff members. This would consist of departing the area to a pleasant location to allow members to devote a weekend to brainstorming and making plans for CoastCon 30. It is agreed to take this under advisement to be further investigated and discussed at a future meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Dates of future meetings – The following dates were set:

August 20, 2006 – CoastCon 30 & Revenge of the LARP's event planning sessions
11:00 am at the home of Chairman Cynthia Majure in Ocean Springs

August 20, 2006 – CoastCon Governing Committee Meeting
5:00 pm at the home of Chairman Cynthia Majure in Ocean Springs

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting Adjourned at 3:58 pm