

Minutes of July 11th 2024, meeting 4535

Call to order by president Cathy Johnson at 8:01

Hatchings, Matchings and Dispatchings

The birthdays of the author best known as Cordwainer Smith, the actor best known as Yul Brynner, and the actor best known as a Dalek voice, but named David Graham on human worlds, were celebrated. The media anniversary was the 1997 release of the movie Contact. The passings of comic book illustrator Michael Zulli, producer Jon Landau and actress and producer Shelly Duvall were noted.

Reading of the previous minutes did in fact happen

Bid to name the minutes \$10 from Eylat to let Scratch name the minutes “The Silent Minutes”

Approval of minutes

Welcoming of guests. Vicky is a returning guest, sort of, after only being at Zoom meetings. Mark is another returning member. Jasmine and her parents are here, and Jasmine is our program presenter.

Patron Saint: Marc Schirmeister

Matthew remembered that he and another member were greatly impressed by cartoons that turned out to be Marc.

CLJ II—Marc is an amazing cartoonist, unique among unique. He designed a Rose Parade Float for South Pasadena.

Christian—when we moved into the clubhouse on Tyrone, he brought two big coolers with 60 different soda flavors. He was artist guest of honor for Westercon 2010, which turned out to be the first time he was asked to be that.

Committee Reports

Treasurer: Pay your dues

Honor Guard: CLJ II reported that the spot of honor is held by LosCon 50 this month.

Board of Directors: Next meeting on July 14th on Zoom at 11 am.

Loscon memberships available

Programming: July 18th, bylaws discussion and vote; 25th, repeat vote if it passes. August 1st, Kristen Gorlitz speaking. August 8th auction and hybrid meeting.

Fannish wellness: George is doing okay. Supposedly he is getting rehab

Old Business

New Business

Timebound announcements: Krystal mentioned the LosCon pins and how to get them. Book Fair in Tustin on July 13th. O.C. Maker Fair at the O.C. Fairgrounds also this weekend.

Francis Hamit mentioned that he is willing to sign copies if you buy his new book here.

Frank Zappa was the one who paid for the development of the machine used to digitize movie film with deteriorating sprocket holes.

Today is 7/11, so the chain is giving away free Slurpees. Per Eylat.

Program, Jasmine Sov reading her story. She was a winner of the teen-oriented Omega writing awards, and she entertained us with a science fiction story taking place in a library.

Auction ensued, with fierce bidding over several of the items, and confused bidding over a few others.

Moments of science:

Lee Grixit reported a test of 5,000 subjects of a new AIDS vaccine. It appears to be working in the first testing.

Matt reported that SpaceX has won a contract to destroy the International Space Station in 2031. It was originally planned to last until 2015, but it keeps getting extended. This time for sure, it needs to be taken apart in a controlled fashion.

Regular announcements

Reviews

Miscellaneous

Adjourned at 9:22 pm