Minutes of meeting 4582
June 5, 2025

Call to order by president Cathy Johnson

Hatchings, Matchings and Dispatchings
Birthdays of author John Russell Fearn, actor Robert Lansing, director Jimmy Murakami, producer Kathleen Kennedy and actress Karen Strassman were celebrated. Media anniversaries were the 1953 release of It Came From Outer Space and the 1954 release of the Ivan Tors movie Gog.
Passings of actress Loretta Swit, actors Prentis Hancock and Jonathan Joss, baseball player Betsy Jochum and author Barry Longyear were noted.
Reading of the previous minutes

Bid to name the minutes $10 to Dr. Susie to name them “John, you name them. I got nothin’...”

Approval of minutes at 8:22 pm

Patron Saints:
Michael Bloom: Nick and Cathy said nice things about him, with Matt Mitchell encouraging the telling of a funny but embarrassing moment in fannish history.
Three cheers and a GasX

Jim Glass, former club librarian, passed away some time ago per Gavin.

Committee Reports

Honor Guard: CLJ II shows off the Spot of Honor, which is held by LosCon 51.

Welcoming of guests, if any. None present. Many potential guests were absent.

Treasurer: Elayne says that there are people present who still need to pay their dues. Don’t make her cry, send money!

Board of Directors: June 8th at 11 am on Zoom

Loscon: There was no report.

Programming: Hybrid meeting with procedural elections on June 12th

Fannish wellness

Heide Nicholls had a minor procedure earlier today, and she says it went well.
George’s insurance kicked in again, so he is getting physical rehab again.

Old Business: Nominations for procedural president.

New Business: none

Timebound announcements:
Nick reported on movie screenings at several locations and book signings at Collector's Paradise in North Hollywood.

Program: Nominations for president were interrupted by the sudden misplacement of CLJ II. Upon his return, we opened the nominations for president. Michelle nominated Cathy, under a confused welter of names. She accepted the nomination. Lee Grixit nominated Dean Johnson, who declined. Nominations were recessed.

Science report:
Nick reported on cockatoos in Australia teaching each other how to use a drinking fountain.
Lee reported that when humans create red blood cells, there are genetic differences in early life, but as you age the blood becomes less diverse, which may indicate that some of the problems with aging are as a result of this.
Carol reported that a new battery is in development of a sodium fuel cell which produces more power for its weight. So in theory, an electric airplane is closer to being possible.
Marc Silver reported that researchers have been finding a way to keep white blood cells from being a hiding place for viruses. This could be a next stage of curing viruses that are hard to get rid of completely, like HIV.
Lee remembered that he had something else. When treatments for the lower digestive tract are given, they are being dosed heavily enough for some of the medicine to get through the upper tract. Clever people figured out how to put the medicine inside stuff that doesn't get digested until the lower tract, making things more measurable.

Regular announcements

Reviews

Lee reviewed a silly TV show called Mount Mystic Rangers. It's on YouTube, and it's about a mythical park called Mount Mystic. It's like Reno 911 in a park.

CLJ II found Snack Pack Cinnabon pudding cups. They are very good. Lots of cinnamon. It's like the Cinnabon rolls without the roll in the middle, just cinammon and icing.

Cathy has been rewatching Babylon 5 on Prime. Dean had never seen most of it, and they are enjoying the rewatch.

Miscellaneous

Adjournment at 9:13 pm.