

Minutes if meeting 4573  
April 3, 2025

Call to order by president Cathy Johnson

Hatchings, Matchings and Dispatchings

Reading of the previous minutes

Bid to name the minutes: Fierce bidding led to Dr. Susie paying \$20 to give the naming rights to Anita, who used this to name the minutes "Victor's Going to Disneyland!"

Approval of minutes at 8:14 pm

Patron Saints:

Chuck Donohue: He was best man at Chris Marble's wedding. Demon bridge player, very quick to life master in that game. Was LASFS president a few times. CLJ II mentioned that apparently Chuck didn't like his photo being taken or shared, which is why his photo is not on the Spot of Honor for this month.

Tom Stern: Matthew mentioned that there is a story behind how Tom Stern met his wife Marina. They tried running a restaurant, but that didn't succeed. It did leave them with a bunch of tableware, which they donated to LASFS, and they generously gave Matthew pillows with duck artwork on them.

Committee Reports

Honor Guard

Welcoming of guests: Scott Knox, who found our sign on the old Van Nuys clubhouse building, which has apparently been a good recruiting tool. He's working on a science fiction novel involving Kant and Pure Reason. He hopes to come to the in-person meeting next week.

Treasurer: Everyone current on dues, update on the new building. The bicycle shop may need a fourth month to move out, but will try for three. They are paying rent until move-out.

Board of Directors: April 13<sup>th</sup> at 11 am on Zoom.

Loscon 51:

Programming

Tonight: Victor Frost

April 10<sup>th</sup>: Hybrid meeting at Denny's

April 24<sup>th</sup>: Steven Barnes

Fannish wellness: Chris Marble reports that George is doing okay, and they will test his strength to see if he can stand, but Chris isn't optimistic on that. Matt had his first visit with a cardiologist, and will be

wearing a heart monitor in May, to try to identify the cause of the stroke he had a couple of months ago. Dr. Susie reports that her husband John starts cardio rehab this next week. Insurance is paying for 36 visits of cardio rehab, and is starting a collection of “widowmaker survivor” t-shirts. John is taking an injectable form of testosterone to regrow vascular vessels that could not otherwise get fixed. Eylat is doing much better, her doctor cancelled her cardio appointment, and her heart is being monitored remotely through her smart phone, interesting technology. CLJ II said he’s finally getting over the side effects from the combination of medication and supplements for osteoporosis.

Old Business

New Business

Timebound announcements

Program: Victor Frost gave us an interesting talk on the whys and wherefores of hosting your own data storage to replace your use of the external Cloud.

Science report

Regular announcements

Reviews

Miscellaneous

CLJ II finished off his last package of winter white Oreos.

I announced Saturday at 5 pm being the final closing of Dark Delicacies.

Adjournment at 9:23 pm