

Minutes of meeting 4580
May 22, 2025

Call to order by president Cathy Johnson

Hatchings, Matchings and Dispatchings

The birthdays of author Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, actors Sir Laurence Olivier and Richard Benjamin and actress Tao Okamoto were celebrated. Media anniversaries were the release of Outland and the local release of Star Trek II: The Wrath of Khan. The passings of actors George Wendt and Gawn Grainger were noted, as well as those of cinematographer Billy Williams and actress Kathleen Hughes.

Reading of the previous minutes

Bid to name the minutes Susan Fox bid \$5 to name the minutes "Bubbles."

Approval of minutes at 8:19 pm

Patron Saints:

Dee Dee Lavender: She passed away in 1986, so few people remembered her well, but she and her husband Roy were parts of LASFS and convention fandom for many years.

Joyce Lloyd, who is chairing the 2026 Worldcon. Cathy described her as a great person. The two of them chaired a LosCon, and had a blast. Eylat said that she has gotten to know Joyce because of the Worldcon. She said that Joyce clobbered her and the rest of the table at Mah Jongg. Dr. Susie "bleeping" adores her. When Matthew was chairing LosCon, Joyce helped him enormously. Three cheers and a very competently run convention.

Committee Reports

Honor Guard: CLJ II reported that the Spot of Honor is still held by SciFi.Radio. Bidding for June will be next week.

Welcoming of guests:

Treasurer: Everyone is paid up, so donate money.

Board of Directors: Next board meeting is June 8th at 11 am on Zoom

Loscon: Zoom meeting at September 21st for LosCon 51 staff.

Programming:

June programs: 1st week, presidential nominations; 2nd week, election at Denny's.

Fannish wellness

Chris Marble reports that George is unchanged. No new news on others. Eylat says that Heide is doing better, now that doctors know what's wrong with her. Kathy Mar, recent LosCon guest, is in the hospital with a major infection and a couple of broken discs in her back.

Old Business

New Business

Timebound announcements

Nick announced several movie screenings this coming weekend.

Eylat announced that her daughter did graduate this past weekend, and Eylat is now scheduled to graduate next June.

CLJ II mentioned that Shadow of the Bat, 2nd book in the series, was published on Tuesday. His publisher already has book 3 of the series, and his publisher wants to get them out quickly.

Program,

Science report: Lee Grixit reports that some experiments suggest that Lysenko wasn't a total idiot. Rice tolerant of various temperatures seems to be forceable, which shouldn't work in a world with DNA...

Regular announcements

Reviews

Chris reported that this is the last weekend for the L.A. County Fair.

Eylat reviewed the latest Doctor Who episode. Really, really, really good. She was on the edge of her seat. Also watching The Good Fight, a lawyer show, very good.

Dr. Susie and her husband attended a local STEM high school spring concert in Long Beach. The orchestra was good, better than expected. Things like Smells Like Teen Spirit, Imperial March, Doctor Who and other cool music. We then digressed into a discussion of music styles vs. fields of study.

Miscellaneous: Nick mentioned that he was reading a book about some of the Monogram actors, and it was mentioned that Noel Neill, who went on to play Lois Lane, had planned to go back to college in the field of Journalism...so she was oddly qualified for her most memorable role.

Adjournment at 8:58 pm