

Heroic Girls Foundation Board Meeting Minutes: April 19, 2023

*This meeting took place over a Google Meet video conference.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm.

II. Approval of the Agenda

John made a motion to approve the agenda. Iris seconded. All were in favor, none opposed. The agenda was approved.

III. Approval of the Minutes

The March 6, 2023 Meeting Minutes were up for approval. John made a motion to approve the minutes. Iris seconded. All were in favor, none opposed. The minutes were approved.

IV. President's Report:

- A. CrockerCon: We would like to participate in this year's CrockerCon. It requires putting together a panel. Jen suggested introducing the teacher program and exploring partnerships. Iris suggested introducing the scholarship program as well.
- B. SDCC: The deadline for panels is in May. Anyone who is interested in attending or participating, in this or future cons, should apply for their pro badge.

V. Treasurer's Report

- A. Funds: Our accounts are doing well.

VI. Secretary Report

No major updates. We have our trademarks and are no longer under the USF program. We need to pay attention to our deadlines for maintenance fees (5 years after registration, then 10 years, then every 10 years). There are certain requirements when paying the maintenance fees. It may be useful to have an attorney help us with this, especially if we receive any sort of office action back from the USPTO.

VII. Fundraising

- A. Big Day of Giving: Jen has a file in the shared drive with materials for BDOG. We should advertise the scholarship at this time. Jen will schedule a meeting

specifically for BDOG so we can get a clear picture for the day.

VIII. Programming

- A. Girl Scout: Trina Robbins has agreed to come up for a Girl Scout Artist Badge event. We will most likely host the event at Empire Comics in July 2023 and open it up to some of the younger scouts as well, even though they cannot earn their badge, but to be able to listen to and speak with Ms. Robbins.
- B. Scholarship Program: Iris and Jen will set up the final form of the application to make it as easy as possible for students to apply. This will be launched soon. We will set up a separate account for the scholarship program.
- C. Teacher Curriculum: Jasmine has been heading up this effort. She wants to ensure that the curriculum is aligned with professional standards. She would like to connect with the Professional Education Department at the Sacramento City Unified School District to ensure we are meeting those standards. Iris may have a contact there who can help. We can also speak with the teachers and librarian who participated in the Hero Academy Book Club as additional resources.
- D. More Than Cute: Everyone should start thinking about this so we can have it prepped in September to launch in October. John is hopeful we can interview people at SDCC.

IX. Open Discussion

John gave a WonderCon debrief. Overall, it went very well. John had an impromptu dinner with about half of the women on the panel. He said it was incredibly worthwhile to have conversations with the panelists. In the future, it would be great to expand upon the dinner, possibly invite other people, etc.

X. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm. The next meeting will be scheduled in the coming weeks.

These minutes were submitted and approved by the Board by a vote at the __, 2023 Board meeting.

Sarah Phillips, Secretary/s
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