

WASFF Meeting

17 November 2002-11-12

Present: Shay Telfer, Emma Hawkes, Luigi Cantoni, Jason Watson, Rohan Wallace, Jeremy Byrne, Gina Goddard.

Apologies: Cathy Cupitt, Simon Oxwell, Tara Smith, Grant Watson.

Start Time 1422

1. Minutes of the previous meeting.

The minutes were accepted by the meeting

2. Business Arising

- 2. (2.2) The SwanCon business name has been registered.**
- 3. (2.3) Tin Ducks – still no progress, may need to go to a back up plan if they cannot be finished by SwanCon 2003.**
- 4. (2.4) City of Perth Report – Cathy absent. Mark will contact.**
- 5. (4.1) GhengisCon. Rohan had contacted M2 but has received no reply as yet. Major point will be what WASFF can provide for their organisation.**
- 6. (4.2) Storage space. Still ongoing**
- 7. (4.3) Video projector. None suitable have come up so far. This will be ongoing.**
- 8. (4.4) Gavel – This is underway. Shay has this under control.**
- 9. (4.5) Aspirations for WASFF. Rohan posted to the SwanCon list regarding what people would like the Board to do. One reply, from Damian Magee has so far been received.**

3. SwanCon 2001

Nil report.

4. SwanCon 2002

Display case still outstanding. Otherwise nothing further.

5. SwanCon 2003

Todd has a cheque for the next hotel payment.

Charles Brown may not be able to make it due to a clash with the Nebulas ceremony.

Artwork for posters, T-shirts etc. is pretty well finalised.

Problem with David Gemmell – Random (UK) won't sign off on this although everyone else is fine. This may prevent his attendance. Jason will write a letter to him. This may change things, but he is not optimistic.

Ditmars. Discussion of design and nomination forms. Nomination info to go out widely – especially to the east, Bullshead etc. Return of nominations by February 14. Then the voting forms can go out.

Movie screenings – Harry Potter 2 screening 28 November. Next confirmed will be Star Trek Nemesis (16 Jan 2002). Two Towers may not be available for discount sessions, but discussions regarding a preview screening is going on and this may happen.

Guest liaison – Julian is stepping down and this task will be taken over by Jason and Todd.

Amendment to last report – SwanCon domain name registration is for five years not two as previously stated.

Only budget items – Goldmember screening cost \$30.00 due to a shortfall in ticket sales. Cheque to hotel as previously discussed. There is a lot of money being made out of chocolate at the moment.

Shay requested a copy of the membership database.

6. SwanCon 2004.

In spite of a preoccupation with tasks matrimonial, Shay has been working on hotel issues, particularly with the idea of asking for tenders from venues. If this doesn't eventuate there are alternatives to fall back on. These issues were discussed at some length. Travel agents were mentioned as a source of information for discounts. Package deals with hotels could also be a possibility.

Launch. Grant is looking into movie screenings, etc etc.

A proposed budget was presented by Jeremy. Better balance achieved by increased fundraising activity.

The idea of a committee to oversee publicity and associated issues throughout the year was mooted.

E-mailing out a link to the PR (which is located on the website) was discussed as a way of getting out to more people at little/no cost.

Membership costs and the times when people buy their memberships were discussed at length.

7.0 Borderlands.

Nil report – but it was noted that prize cheques haven't been sent out yet, at least not to those winners who are also WASFF board members.

8. General business.

- 1. Reimbursement from Russell Farr. It was raised that we haven't received the full number of books from Russell.**
- 2. Proposal for Buffy / Angel symposium. Details were submitted and Gina spoke to the proposal. Request for \$600.00 seed money to start up the project and permission to use the WASFF name.**

This was discussed.

The motion was raised:

That the symposium proposal as described, but with the addition of a detailed budget, be adopted by as a project by the board.

The motion was passed without dissent.

Gina and Emma are happy to run the project as a subcommittee of the Board.

It will be necessary to notify the Treasurer of WASFF promptly regarding this and to have her liaise with the new subcommittee regarding financial arrangements.

- 3. Conference seminar, Jeremy attended a WA Tourism Board seminar which focussed on the proposed Convention Centre. This sounds to be more useful to us for large cons than was previously thought. Funding sources were also highlighted and there are some that could be accessed by SwanCons or other WASFF projects.**

Closed 1619.

Next meeting: 19 January 2003, same venue

Action List

- 1. (2.2) Tin Ducks – Jeremy.**
- 2. (2.3) City Of Perth Report – Mark to contact Cathy.**
- 3. (2.5) GhengisCon – Rohan to await contact from M².**
- 4. (2.6) Gavel – Shay to continue with this.**
- 5. (8.2) Symposium budget – Emma or Gina to forward to Tara.**