

Minutes of Meeting of Baltimore Worldcon 1998, Inc.
July 17, 2004

Attendees:

Shirley Avery
Colleen Cahill
Hal Haag
Tracy Henry
Judy Kindell
Bob MacIntosh
Michael Nelson
John Sapienza
Peggy Rae Sapienza
TR Smith

Hal Haag called the meeting to order at 2:35 pm.

Judy Kindell produced minutes of the previous meeting. A reading of the minutes was waived and the minutes were accepted without objection.

Committee to Support Non-US Worldcon Bids: Peggy Rae Sapienza reported that the Nippon 07 bid had been receiving checks in various names and requested authorization to add those additional names to the bank account. By unanimous vote, authorization was granted. TR Smith reported that a group of people had started a bid for the 2008 Worldcon to be held in Geneva, Switzerland: The Geneva Convention. By unanimous vote, Baltimore Worldcon 1998, Inc. agreed to provide assistance to this group by opening a bank account for their benefit.

Student Contest Committee: Judy Kindell reported that we received nearly 650 entries this year, of which 230 were semifinalists, finalists and winners. John Pomeranz is working with Noreascon 4 programming making arrangements for the ceremony on Saturday, September 4. David Brin will not be attending Noreascon 4, but did send some signed book plates to be given to the winners. His daughter, Ari Brin, is one of the semifinalists. Peggy Rae Sapienza agreed to contact some professional writers and artists who might be willing to say a few words at the ceremony. Shirley Avery said that the artwork could be shipped to Boston in the BSFS truck.

Treasury: Bob MacIntosh reported that we currently have \$9,772.82. We received a donation of \$8,100 from Chicon 2000.

Michael Nelson announced that a group of local area fans would be meeting immediately after the meeting to discuss the proposed Worldcon bid for DC in 2011.

Next meetings:

A working meeting is scheduled for September 18, 2004, at 2:00 pm at the Sapienza home. The fourth quarter corporate meeting is scheduled for November 20, 2004, at 2:00 pm at the Sapienza home. Elections will be held at this meeting. This will also be a working meeting to mail out student contest information to schools.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 pm.