

Central Arizona Speculative Fiction Society  
Minutes of the Board of Directors

1997

**Central Arizona Speculative Fiction Society, Inc.**  
**Notes of the Board of Directors**

Emergency Meeting 7/12/97 6:30pm ASU Memorial Union meeting room

Subject: HexaCon Dealers's room break-in

Present: Doug Cospers, Diane Elliott, Pat Conners, Jeff George, Jim Strait, and Bruce Farr (treas.)

Also present: Jerry Richards (HexaCon Chair) and Bill Scott (HexaCon Banker)

Jerry Briefed the board on the Break-in.

Admin:

Bruce proposed printing address labels for 1998 WesterCon in San Diego CA in exchange for a run of their labels.

Voted to accept. (Unanimous)

Bruce proposed that he be a signer on all CASFS accounts.

Voted to accept (Unanimous)

Topic:

Several Dealers wanted copies of our Insurance and our contract with the Memorial Union. Jerry wants to provide what he has as a show of goodwill. It was proposed that we provide copies of the pertinent documents to the affected Dealers that requested them.

Voted to accept. (Unanimous)

It was proposed that Jerry be the custodian of said documents and to see that copies were made.

Voted to accept. (Unanimous)

It was proposed that the Board Chairman (Doug) be authorized to spend up to \$1000 for legal issues if it becomes necessary.

Voted to accept. (Unanimous)

The meeting was adjourned at 6:53pm. The Board examined the site of the break-in.

Submitted by,  
Jim Strait

## Central Arizona Speculative Fiction Society, Inc. Notes of the Board of Directors

Regular Meeting 7/25/97 9:51pm JB's Restaurant (Indian School & I-17)

Present: Doug Cospers, Pat Conners, Jeff George, Jim Strait, and Bruce Farr (treas.)

Missing: Diane Elliott and Jeff Jennings

submitted by *Jim Strait*

Bruce proposed the minutes and actions of the general membership be ratified.

[Noted: *Treasurer's Report submission and Jeff Jennings elected to the Board of Directors.*]

The Treasurer's Report was submitted and explained by Bruce.

Bruce proposed that the \$300 of interim ConNotations funds to/from CoyoteCon be netted out, pending actively collecting the Ad revenue.

◆ Voted to accept (Unanimous)

Greg Fisher (of Waterloo Games) addressed the Board regarding his position on the HexaCon break-in. No conclusions or actions were decided.

It was generally agreed on but not voted on to activate the prior edict and to have a committee of Doug & Bruce engage an attorney for advice related to the HexaCon break-in.

Bruce volunteered to draw up and submit a proposed Dealer Policy Statement.

It was moved to accept an applicant member: Barbara C. Szekely (246-7754)

◆ Voted to accept (Unanimous)

Nominations were made and positions elected for the following:

Doug Cospers, Chairman of the Board

Pat Conners, Vice-Chairman of the Board

Jim Strait, Corporate Secretary (Diane Elliott & Jim Strait nominated)

◆ Voted to positions (Unanimous)

Brian Korn (representing THEM & ASU's interests) addressed the Board to state points related to the ASU break-in. He stated that:

- There was higher security at HexaCon than at prior conventions,
- One Dealer did remove higher valued items that evening based on his perception of such a need,
- None of the Dealers ever asked about security issues prior to the break-in.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:42pm.

**Central Arizona Speculative Fiction Society, Inc.**  
**Notes of the Board of Directors**

Regular Meeting 8/22/97 10:07pm JB's Restaurant (Indian School & I-17)  
All Board Members were present.

submitted by *Jim Strait*

The Treas./Sec. reports were ratified

◆ Voted to accept (Unanimous)

A File Copy of the Lawyers report regarding issues of the HexaCon break-in was officially submitted by Bruce. Bruce explained disclosure concerns.

A new applicant for membership, Dave Kiser, was submitted.

◆ Voted to accept (Unanimous)

Bruce reported that he still had not gotten an official list of volunteers from CopperCon 16 from Kim Martin, which was needed for identifying the funds for memberships to CopperCon 17. Pat suggested one more attempt be made the following day. Given that the final details were not resolved by the following day, Jeff George proposed that all but \$1000 of the CopperCon 16 account funds be transferred to the Main account and needed funds for the CopperCon 16 volunteer to CopperCon 17 would be transferred from the Main account.

◆ Voted to accept (Unanimous)

Doug made an announcement that this would be Irv's last year of doing Registration.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:18pm.

**Central Arizona Speculative Fiction Society, Inc.**  
**Notes of the Board of Directors**

Regular Meeting 9/26/97 9:56pm JB's Restaurant (Indian School & I-17)  
All Board Members were present.

submitted by *Jim Strait*

A motion to accept all the regular business and ratify Treas./Sec. reports was made.

◆ Voted to accept (Unanimous)

Doug asked if we had an internal pending audit. Bruce commented that he was still collect information.

Jim asked if the prior voted on action to transfer the CopperCon 16 funds to the main account had taken place. Bruce stated that it had not as he still did not have the CopperCon 16 check book.

(Note: Bruce was going to meet with Kim immediately after the Board meeting.)

Diane asked if anything further had been heard regarding our possible HexaCon legal action. Bruce said there had been no mention since his last report.

Doug made an announcements that Irv's appeal would be in 3 weeks and Ross Pavlich, WorldCon '82(Chicago) chairman, had pancreatic. It was discussed if a sympathy communication was in order. Bruce agreed to convey something appropriate.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:02pm.

**Central Arizona Speculative Fiction Society, Inc.**  
**Notes of the Board of Directors**

Regular Meeting 10/10/97 9:12pm JB's Restaurant (Indian School & I-17)  
All Board Members were present.

submitted by *Jim Strait*

A motion to accept all the regular business and ratify Treas./Sec. reports was made.

◆ Voted to accept (Unanimous)

Bruce advised that the CopperCon 16 funds still had not transferred to the main account as decided at the 8/22/97 Board Mtg.

Bruce advised that Kim had given him the NASFiC Bid Committee account information and that he believed no further action was needed.

Bruce announced that he was hosting a meeting to bid a WesterCon at his house on 10/19/97 at 5:00pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20pm.

**Central Arizona Speculative Fiction Society, Inc.**  
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Regular Meeting 11/14/97 9:33pm JB's Restaurant (Indian School & I-17)  
All Board Members were present.

submitted by *Jim Strait*

A motion to accept all the regular business and ratify Treas./Sec. reports was made.  
*[Including: A minimum \$250 donation to the G. Harry Stine Memorial Scholarship Fund with at least an additional \$100/year for the next 2 years.]*

◆ Voted to accept (Unanimous)

Bruce motioned that a voluntary \$20 "site fee" be made to the JB's Restaurant staff. The reasons were discussed.

◆ Voted to accept (6 For, 1 (Doug) Against)

Bruce advised that the CopperCon 16 funds still had not transferred to the main account as decided at the 8/22/97 Board Mtg. He stated that he was intentionally delaying action so he could review the account.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:41pm.

**Central Arizona Speculative Fiction Society, Inc.**  
**Notes of the Board of Directors**

Regular Meeting 12/12/97 10:33pm JB's Restaurant (Indian School & I-17)  
All Board Members were present.

submitted by *Jim Strait*

A motion to accept all the regular business and ratify Treas./Sec. reports was made.  
*[Including: A vote by the general membership spend \$75 for truck rental to move the contents of the shed, \$350 for shelves and tubs for the new shed, and results of the election.]*

◆ Voted to accept (Unanimous)

The status of the CopperCon 16 balance was discussed. Bruce said the balance from had not been rolled into the main account yet and that he was reviewing the option of setting up a higher interest bearing account. The options were discussed.

Jeff George motioned the any surplus from funds not being used for CopperCon 18 up to \$10,000 be rolled into a higher interest bearing account.

◆ Voted to accept (Unanimous)

Bruce suggested a new auditor be selected due to non-attendance. The matter would be discussed with the Board Chairman later.

It was brought up that a Special Board Meeting would need to called for the following Sunday to review the CopperCon 18 hotel contract. The meeting was necessary because copies of the contract were not available. The meeting time was set for 1:00pm at Bruce Farr's house. An announcement of the Sunday meeting was immediately made to the general membership in the room and that anyone was welcome to attend. It was stated that no monies had been paid to the hotel yet. Jim Cryer agreed to bring his copy of the hotel contract.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:41pm

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Special Meeting 12/14/97 2:31pm Bruce Farr's home (Glendale & 6<sup>th</sup> Drive)  
Board Members Doug Coper, Pat Conners, Jim Strait, Jeff George, and Treas. Bruce Farr were present. Board Members Jeff Jennings and Diane Elliott were absent. CopperCon 18 Chairman Jim Cryer and Banker Dave Hungerford were also present.

submitted by *Jim Strait*

After copies of a draft of the proposed CopperCon 18 hotel contract were distributed, reviewed, and discussed the meeting was called to order. The general consensus of the Board as well as Jim & Dave was that several points were of serious concern.  
The Board voted to Ask that the contract be renegotiated.

◆ Voted to accept (Unanimous)

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35pm.