

Hand Eye Society General Meeting
 2014 Annual General Meeting - Minutes
 Sun. Jan 12, 2pm

Location	Hart House, University of Toronto 7 Hart House Circle, Debates Room,
Members of the Board of Directors in Attendance	Jim Munroe (JM) Miguel McCormick Sternberg (MMS) Mare Sheppard (MS)
Minutes Taken By	Sagan Yee

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action Items/Decisions
Call to Order	- MMS calls the meeting to order at 2pm	- MMS calls to order - JM seconds 2014 AMG CALLED TO ORDER
Introductions	- MMS introduces the board.	
Approval of the Agenda	MMS motions for approval of the agenda	- MS seconds - All in favor 2014 AGM AGENDA PASSED
Overview of Organization and Review of 2013 Activities	<p>MMS explains that less has happened since the last AGM that usual, partially because we've moved up the AGM to the beginning of the year and it's been more like half a year since May. But beyond the progress already reported on we had two new projects launch.</p> <p>Game Curious: This is a game literacy program we prototyped in partnership with the Academy of the Impossible, an arts organization which has since closed down. As you heard it went very well and puts us in an excellent place to continue providing this program in an expanded way with the Trillium funding.</p> <p>WordPlay: This was the inaugural festival of writerly games, and went really well, attracting over 200 audience members for the half-day of programming. We are in talks with the Toronto Public Library to do it again this year.</p> <p>Leadership Renewal: Since the last AGM</p>	

	<p>we have been working on renewing the leadership of the organization, on our board and otherwise. As there's now some budget to pay people for roles that were volunteer in the past, we're moving some people off the board and into staff positions.</p>	
<p>Presentation of 2013 Financial Statements</p>	<p>MMS presents expenses and revenues from Aug 1, 2012-July 31 2013. We show a capital deficit or loss of close to \$2000, but that doesn't take into account the \$2000 we had in the bank. The \$2000 in revenue was from the Toronto Arts Council for the music showcase at Toronto Long Winter. The "Office and General" line item was for microgrants issued to participants of TIFF Nexus, and the professional fees went mostly to the accountant for 2012 end of year. (He gave us a significant break on 2013's return).</p>	<p>Presentation of 2013 Financial Statements</p>
<p>Approval of 2013 Financial Statements</p>	<p>Dave M asks about transparency of finances. JM: We have a bylaw that states that any member can get a record of any of our financial statements; the purpose of the audit exemption is so smaller organizations don't have to pay the full auditing fee.</p>	<p>- MMS asks for approval - MS seconds approved</p>
<p>Exemption From Audit</p>	<p>MMS moves to accept 2013 financial statements and exemption from audit.</p>	<p>MS seconds All in favor 2013 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXEMPTION FROM AUDIT ACCEPTED.</p>
<p>Election of Director</p>	<p>MMS: So for anyone who missed the note in the email yesterday, there's been some changes in the nominees. Upon discussion with other not-for-profits we have discovered that it's not best practice to have board members in active coordination roles. As a result, Alex Hayter and Sagan Yee have declined their nominations to prevent any conflicts with their current Hand Eye coordination involvement.</p> <p>The membership will still be voting on Alex Jansen and Miguel Sternberg. If there is a majority voting yes for each candidate, both will be elected to the board. It's not one or the other.</p>	<p>-Vote is unanimous. -Alex Jansen and Miguel Sternberg are elected to the Board of Directors.</p>

	<p>Miguel Sternberg is a co-founder of the Hand Eye, is currently the Chair, and has served as a voting board member since March 2012. He is running for a second two-year term, with a maximum of three allowed in the by-laws. He is currently coordinating the Comics VS Games initiative. He is good at speaking in the third person.</p> <p>Alex Jansen is currently working on promotions and audience development for the Hand Eye Society. He's known for Pipe Trouble, the Kingston Film Festival, and the Kenk graphic novel. He's been an ex-officio or advisory board member since March 2012.</p> <p>Ballots are handed out and collected.</p> <p>Henry F and Kimberly K count ballots.</p>	
New Business	No new business.	
Adjournment	- MMS moves to adjourn.	<p>AJ seconds All in favor 2014 AGM Adjourned</p>