

Space Frontier Foundation Board Meeting Minutes – July 12, 2003

Present:

- Bob Noteboom, Chairman of the Board
- Brook Mantia, Secretary
- Al Differ, Board Member
- Tony DeTora, Executive Director
- Rich Godwin, Board Member
- Pat Dasch, Board Member
- Elaine Walker, Board Member
- Joe Gillin, Advocate Coordinator
- George Whitesides, Project Leader

Absent:

- John Cserep, Board Member
- Bob Werb, Treasurer
- Sam Coniglio, Board Member

❑ **Call Meeting to Order: 9:10amPT/12:10pmET**

❑ **Approval of Minutes**

- The June 7th Board Meeting Minutes were approved.

❑ **Administrative Items**

- Regarding the debt from the Clarke Gala, we will pursue an action against the dentist in small claims court.

❑ **Current Business**

- Executive Director Status – Tony DeTora: Updated financial reports are due from the Treasurer. One new member has joined since the last meeting. The new members' e-list is getting ready to go up within the next week.
- Advocates Coordinator Status – Joe Gillin: Four Advocates resigned since the last meeting. There was some discussion of the status of other Advocates. We're still trying to contact lapsed Advocates to see what their intentions are.
- SpaceFront Publishing – Tony DeTora: The latest issue was printed last week and is expected to ship any time. The next issue will be a "conference edition." The financial reports must be reviewed before making a decision on whether to commit to paying Rick Tumlinson for his services again.
- Fundraising Effort / Marketing Materials – Pat Dasch: We have a mailing list of about 400 people who have been donors of the Foundation in the last two years. Ms. Dasch will draft a letter this week and hand it off to the Executive Director who will send out the letters within the next two weeks.
- Space Settlement Summit: No updates.
- Space Frontier Conference 12 – Tony DeTora: There have been 2 registrations so far. We're thinking about having "project room" dedicated to showcasing Foundation projects. The agenda is under development.
- Return To The Moon V: The event for this year has been cancelled. The Foundation's financial obligation is around \$600.
- Space Transportation Policy: Tony DeTora and Bob Noteboom have been discussing the issue of suborbital transportation legislation.
- Frontier Files Online – Al Differ: Dr. Differ has gone with the "Google approach" to advertising. It is creating an income stream for the project and gets our name out.
- Chained Rocket Awards: No news.

- The Watch – Rich Godwin: No news, however Mr. Godwin advised that ProSpace working on something, so we should keep this project on the “back burner,” and support what ProSpace is doing.
 - Permission To Dream – George Whitesides: Motivation for considering the NSS proposal is to get more money and supporters. PTD would become a joint project, with both organizations agreeing to an equitable arrangement. The proposal was approved in essence, pending some modification of the language to clarify the distribution of donations.
 - Mars – Elaine Walker: Things are coming together; \$2,200 raised so far. Ms. Walker has finished writing the theme song and is working on her costume. Additional help with fundraising is always welcome.
- **Committee Reports**
- Message & Policy – John Cserep: Covered above.
 - Operations & Finance – Bob Noteboom: Covered above.
 - Events & Projects – Al Differ: Dr. Differ intends to create a central online document repository.
 - Marketing & Fundraising – Pat Dasch: Covered above.
 - Member Services – Al Differ: Covered above.
- **Board Elections**
- Nominations will open in the beginning of August. Brook Mantia will serve as election manager again this year.
- **Dates for next Board Meetings - Every 2 weeks from now until the elections (usual time):**
- Saturday, July 26, 2003
 - Saturday, August 9, 2003
 - Saturday, August 23, 2003
 - Saturday, September 6, 2003
 - Saturday, September 20, 2003
 - Saturday, October 4, 2003
- **Adjourn: 10:25amPT/1:25pmET**
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