Board Meeting 4-7-11  Final Minutes, Approved 5/11/11.

Brian, Scott, Dave, Dustin, Erin, Feargus, Tobi, Rodney (arrived 12:19, left 12:21), Wendy (12:20), Jane arrived 12:25

Not in attendance:
Darius, Jamil, Coray, Cordy

Also attending:
Sky, Sheri, Ryan, Gordon, Jack, Alex

Call to order 10:19 (12:19pm EST)

Minutes - moved tobi, seconded Scott
No further revisions.
Passed unanimously

By-Laws discussion:
- reviewed with governance
- vice chair continues for a year, versus always end after six months
- Wendy motion, Dustin seconds
- passed unanimously,

Officer Elections -
- reviewed the positions
- review the voting process
--- secret poll - email the votes to Sheri if we have more than one candidate
--- nominations first

* Chair
nominations - Brian self nominates, Dustin/Jane seconded
unanimous vote/acclamation

* Treasurer
nomination - Dustin self-nominates, Tobi seconds
unanimous vote/acclamation, Dustin abstains

* Secretary
nomination -
-- Tobi self-nominate, Brian second
unanimous vote/acclamation, Wendy abstained

Amazon discussion
David recap of conference call and latest draft letter.
Amazon explained their interpretation and rationale behind their approach to the agreement. They are not interested in changing their agreement at this time. Legal has been consulted and reviewed the letter. Ready to release Monday-Tuesday, working with Bohle/Communications Committee on strategy. David moves to approve and release the statement next week via blog, email and direct to press. Brian seconds. Unanimous, Feargus abstains.

Brian notes that we should defer response to Gordon who will utilize David/Brian as appropriate. Brian reiterates we cannot call for a boycott, or supporting one as IGDA, so please be careful as to stance.

Executive Session entered (12:55 pm) Exited 1:14 pm Approved amendments to Gordon’s contract in executive session.

Offsite
May 14-15, Seattle looks clear - Brian polled members he hadn’t heard from: Jane, Erin, Wendy, Dustin, Feargus IGDA will pay airfare/hotel for board members who cannot afford it.

Budget/Financial Update
Membership has dropped in the last month. Pricing for studios has been adjusted to be more consistent in terms of membership discount.

Events update
* IGDA Summit, LF US, LF Europe
  --- Summit intended to be the key event. Brian reiterated that it is three months away and we need a lot of board support.
  --- LF US call for papers is open, Europe CFP will be soon.
  --- Scrum in Chicago in early June
  --- PAXDev being announced in the next week or so - membership can be added on registration, share in revenue of attendance, and on advisory committee. PAXDev will be right before PAX
  ----- PAXDev contract will be addressed in executive committee
  ----- discussion of the concerns related to the dickwolves controversy
  ----- the prior concern about the professionalism of the organizers was considered less important now that IGDA has a more minor role

Next meeting will be offsite
Adjourned 1:42 pm

Brian, Tobi, Dustin, Jane, Scott, Wendy, (no quorum) * Drive awareness, attendance and sponsorships
New Business