

IGDA Board Minutes April 8, 2009

Meeting held by phone teleconference

Called to order at 12:11 p.m. Eastern and adjourned at 1:56 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

Bob Bates, Gordon Bellamy, Brenda Brathwaite, Tom Buscaglia, Mark DeLoura, Tim Langdell, Jamil Moledina, Tobi Saulnier, Coray Seifert and Tim Train.

Absent: Jen MacLean

Also present: Chuck Sapp, Joe Casey

Agenda - Decisions, Recommendations, Assignments, Deadlines

1. Approve minutes of March 24 Board meeting. (Coray)
 - Suggestion made to create more detailed meeting minutes.
 - Tobi researching and working with Coray and Bob to develop new strategy by Friday, 4/17.
2. Status of ED Search (Tobi)
 - IGDA has engaged Marta Daglow's search firm for a pro bono search. In talks with other firms.
 - Ed Search Task Force meeting on 4/9 or 4/10.
 - Marta updating ED job description by Thursday 4/16.
 - Brenda providing blog link for public status update, to provide more transparency with search today.
3. Status of Web Portal (Tim L)
 - Development server is proving too slow. Tim L assessing possible solutions immediately.
 - Tim L is assessing what bugs exist, what it will take to fix, and the likelihood of a June 1 launch by Friday, 4/17.
 - Tim L, Coray and Brenda meeting to discuss plan for addressing needs of SIGs by Friday, 4/24.
4. Finance Report (Tobi)
 - Finance report deferred to an e-mail discussion.
5. Jason Transition Status (Jen)
 - Jen providing report on Jason Transition status.
 - Agreed on contract terms for compensation and list of tasks for Jason to complete by May 8.
6. GDC China (Bob)
 - Communication limited due to action taken on this agenda item.
 - Board advises that all future agreements have termination for convenience clauses.
7. QOL (All)

- Bob will issue a statement on QoL, focusing on positive direction taken by IGDA, specifically QoL SIG, survey, and other relevant initiatives, by Friday, 4/17.
8. Collect Strategy Topics for Chicago Retreat (Bob)
 - All board members emailing Bob by Friday, 4/24
 9. Board Member Major Reports. (All)
 - Jamil
 - Working with retailers to establish affinity relationships for member discounts.
 - Next step is group insurance research.
 - Jamil needs additional ideas for perks and things members would want. Submissions to Jamil due by Friday, 4/24.
 - Tim T
 - Working with various organizations on awards planning.
 - Planning for next year.
 - Brenda
 - Created Board Blog and Twitter page to foster communication and board transparency.
 - Working with SIG leaders to promote communication amongst SIGs. Will be making recommendations by 4/24.
 - Coray
 - Facilitating chapter and SIG activity.
 - Chartering moving forward with a minor Bylaws final revision.
 - Beginning international chapter outreach with a kickoff email by Friday, 4/17.
 - Gordon
 - Ramping up on events.
 - Meeting with existing events leaders.
 - Tom
 - Facilitating IGDA Magazine work, aiming for a June launch.
 - ECQC survey draft moving forward. Tim L and Tobi reviewing and proposing final changes by Friday, 4/24.
 - Tim L
 - Focusing on new web portal.
 - Starting to look at international needs. Working with Coray.
 10. Set date/time of next Board Call (Bob)
 - The next board meeting will be held on Sunday May 3 during board Retreat.
 11. Board Communication (Bob)
 - Coray taking lead on monitoring IGDA Forum communication.
 - Brenda creating plan to be responsive to members by Friday, 4/24.
 12. Any other business (All)
 - Joe working with Jamil to finalize plan for cards that will work with affinity groups.

13. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 1:56 by Jamil and seconded by Coray.

Motions Summary

1. Motion to approve the minutes of the March 24, 2009 board meeting made by Coray and seconded by Jamil. (Approved w/ two abstentions.)

2. Motion to adjourn at 1:56 by Jamil and seconded by Coray.
(Unanimously Approved)

Next meeting

The next board meeting will be held on Sunday May 3 during board Retreat.

Submitted by Coray Seifert, Secretary of the Board