Bylaws & Policies

Report by Stephanie Bannon.

Bylaws - The Bylaws as rewritten were voted on and approved by the membership at the May LepreCon Inc Membership meeting on May 16, 2021. Subsequently on May 27, 2021 because of objections from Paul Tanton and Kathy Richardson regarding paying corporate membership dues the section which set membership dues was removed and the bylaws renumbered with a 4-0-0 vote of the board. They will be presented to the membership at the August membership meeting.

Policies - The Financial Procedures were discussed at the April meeting and progress was made. The May meeting to discuss these policies was pre-empted for a discussion of changing the recently approved by-laws. The June Financial Procedures meeting was canceled due to several corporate level issues that need to be resolved prior to continuing work on financial procedures.

Database

Report by Woody Bernardi was not received.

Financial Review

Report by Hal C. F. Astell.

Scanner problems are fixed and I’ve been scanning documents.

Fundraising

Report by Woody Bernardi was not received.

Google

Report by Paul Tanton was not received.

LepreCon 46

Report by Mark Boniece was not received.

LepreCon 47

Report by Woody Bernardi was not received.

LepreCon 48

Report by Paul Tanton was not received.
LepreCon 49

Report by Kathy Richardson was not received.

Positions

Report by Stephanie Bannon.
No change.

Quartermaster

Report by Mark Boniece was not received.

Secretary

Report by Hal C. F. Astell.

Online business:

- Hal Astell uploaded an agenda for the April Coordinators meeting and reminded that reports were due. Some were later received.
- Discussion about obtaining an annual subscription to Zoom continued from the previous quarter, given the limitations with Google Meet. This became a board vote and passed 2-0-1.
- Paul Tanton raised an issue with the Zoom links for meetings on the website. Fresh links were obtained and posted.
- Hal Astell mentioned that Mike Marron was asking for a copy of the video presentation he gave at LepreCon 47 and asked what the board’s plan to share this content was. This was resolved in the April Coordinators meeting.
- Hal Astell forwarded a mail from the USPS that spoke to the PO Box coming due for payment.
- Paul Tanton explained his decision to stand down from all positions at the May meeting after the new bylaws were voted in by the membership. Some responses underlined how people weren’t shocked at Paul being serious but at not knowing that he had an issue with dues.
- Hal Astell mentioned that he’d updated the website with agendas, minutes and all copies of bylaws that he has.
- Kathy Richardson expressed her intention to resign as chair of LepreCon 49 and as a board director as of the August meeting.
- Paul Tanton cancelled the scheduled Bylaws & Policies meeting.

The following are eligible to stand for office (including those already in office): Dee Astell, Hal C. F. Astell, Stephanie L. Bannon, Len Berger, Woody Bernardi, Mark Boniece, Craig Dyer, Kathy Richardson, Andrea Rittschof, Duncan Rittschof, Jim Strait, Gary Swaty and Paul Tanton.

Proxy rates per meeting, averaged annually, are 18.7 in 2012, 12.5 in 2013, 12.3 in 2014, 10.5 in 2015, 8.0 in 2016, 8.8 in 2017, 3.5 in 2018, 2.5 in 2019, 2.0 in 2020 and 2.5 in 2021.

Conflict of Interest Policy and Annual Statement forms are on file for all board members, officers and coordinators, though these technically should have been re-signed in August. I have one additional one for the LepreCon 48 webmaster.

No contracts have been received for LepreCons 48 or 49.
Social Media
Report by Dee Astell was not received.

Statutory Agent
Report by Kevin McAlonan was not received.

Strategic Planning
Report by Mark Boniece was not received.

Street Team
Report by Woody Bernardi was not received.

Treasurer
Report by Kevin McAlonan was not received.

Website
Report by Hal C. F. Astell.
I updated the corporate website to meet ongoing needs with regards to meetings, documents and other changes.