

NEIL Board Meeting

November 21st, 2015

Here: Adina S., Nat B., Vik F., Cameron B., Dave K., Tim L.

On the Computer: Kim S., Jaelen R., Renée L.

Talk about the Hotel search long format - Nat

We need to keep our options.

Boxborough Holiday Inn - not a growth space

Rhode Island

Norwood

We need a bigger hotel

Talking about games and space.

We are bumping up against people and not having the game slots. Warren tusk has a bunch of small games. Maybe we can connect people that are going to stay sunday night by facebook event or other situations.

Games

Upcoming elections

Nat B. expressed the desire to get the word out about upcoming elections for Intercon ConChair, NELCO Coordinator and NEIL President soon. (According to the bylaws, the annual meeting which includes the election of these positions, occurs on the Sunday eight days before Martin Luther King Day, which next year is January 10th.) Vik F. suggested preparing a description about the role of ConChair for the information of potential candidates.

ACTION ITEM: Prepare a proposal describing the role of Intercon ConChair. (Something more than "The ConChair is responsible for making the convention happen.")

NEIL Reorganization Proposal

At the September 13 NEIL meeting, we accepted a set of principles for opening up NEIL proposals and actions to the larger community. Jaelen R. modified the working document and it was reviewed at the meeting.

[*https://docs.google.com/document/d/1DV7DLiFex76-7vrzPStZ66ChhfQtx89EAM3rnBK8lvk/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1DV7DLiFex76-7vrzPStZ66ChhfQtx89EAM3rnBK8lvk/edit?usp=sharing)

Last meeting this was approved via vote. Jaelen was going to come back with the final language.

We took a community vote

Discussion of various wording changes such as how the policy interacts with announcement with the ban list.

Discussion about the word vote, and about the way we let people know about things.

Tim mentioned that this might change elections and that needs to be addressed.

Voting Members Present: Vik, Tim, Cam, Adina,
Proxies: Jeff(Tim) & Diana (Vik)
Non Voting Members: Steph Dave Nat
Community Members: Renee, Jaelen
Voting Members not present: Jen Eastman Lawrence
Community: Yes- 9 No-0
Board: Yes- 6 No- 0
Passed

Announcement of their new jobs to the community.
We need to have this out there in the best way.
Socialization process.
Communication Methods
Short statement

Preproposal about NEIL Board president from Dave.

If you have interests about this get in touch with him about the proposal.
President separation, 2 year presidential terms, other such circumstances.
2 Year lets other things change this makes for consistency.

Policy Preproposal from Nat budin

Requirements of content warning, and necessary interests.
Player safety proposal, protecting our GMs and Congoers.
See the under-state link.
Workshopping.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1-BAcHi-hRu9z_NY8Mj2c-W-5MqC-9O63dX8QpxkwUSw/edit

ACTION ITEM- Dave fix the GM rights and responsibilities.

Adina preproposal addressing issues on bidcom

Useful commentation. Room issues it's a thing is non-constrictive. There is a nice bidcom responsibilities document. Most diversity and quality games. Accept as many as possible and make sure players will enjoy it. Editing this document is a thing. There was an attempt to draw a line in the sand over bidcom's things.

There are needs for this. This can be fairly specific to the con in question.

Nat-B suggests that if we want to revise this document and make a workshop version.

Boffer experience, bring the boffer larps.

Change up the membership

Make the getting games thing a part of it.

Knowledge of the community game situation

Diversity in baudcom is a recruitment tool

Lesser known styles get objections that are unfair. Boffer.

We don't actually reject any games, pretty much

Bidcom exists to catch legitimate problems so they can be addressed, not so they can be rejected.

Bidcom document is aspirational; right now we aren't in a position to really be evaluating things but it would be great if we eventually were. There is general feeling that, for the next convention, that the process needs to be revisited.

In the future, as Intercon grows, we'll need to improve and/or streamline the process.

At some point in the future, we need to arrange a "BidCom Constitutional Convention"--we need to do this ASAP, because bids for 'Q are going to be accepted before 'P and the issues are fresh in our minds.

Need to set up a meeting...date...date...date...January 10th is next NEIL meeting.

#bidcomcom on Slack is the place to discuss this between now and Jan 10.

Concom meeting?

Nat will send out calls for reports from div heads at some point in December via both Slack and email (people can use whichever they prefer).

Cameron - explicit mechanics descriptions for the bid form

Dave - getting a bunch of people together to make room dividers before P