

FINAL Minutes for IGDA Board Meeting 11/15/12

Present: Brian, Cordy, Dustin, Gordon, Sheri

Staff: Nick, Diann

Tardy:

Absent: Ed, Darius, Coray, Wendy

Brief Announcements

- Next Board Meeting: 12/13/2012 at 2pm EST

Meeting called to order at 1:15 pm CT

Review previous meeting minutes.

Sheri moves to approve minutes for October 25th meeting, Cordy seconds. Passed unanimously.

Sheri moves to approve minutes for October 31st meeting, Brian seconds. Passed unanimously.

ED Hiring Process Update

- Decisions made on special meeting
- Sorting out offer letter wording; going to bring person on as contractor
- Making sure everything is properly vetted with lawyers in terms of language and process
- Plan is for them to start January 1st as first full-time day
- We're excited, moving forward, things are looking good

Website Group Update

- The website task force composed of Wendy, Coray, and Darius have recommended a vendor
- Coray is in the process of handing off that relationship to the executive committee
- Then we'll begin the process of negotiating a contract and plan with them with the expectation that by the next board meeting we'll be able to have the board sign off on the plan

Membership Group Update

- Discount emails are going out to try and get new members coming in.
- We've gotten quotes in from printers to produce our membership cards.
- We're working on getting an email out to members to update their profiles.

Employment Contract Group Update

- This project is moving along pretty well, the board and various colleagues have received a draft of the rubric.
- So far have seen feedback from about 7 or 8 people that were really good to help get this base draft updated

- Overall the feedback has been positive and constructive talking about things that are good and should be looked at, including two lawyers who haven't seen any roadblocks
- Everyone has until next Thursday to give their detailed feedback and then once that's in the group will take another pass at getting it ready to roll out including a roll out plan
- Any and all feedback, no matter how small or detailed, is good and should be passed on to Brian

Staffing Group Update

- James is up and running at MIGS and selling memberships at our booth and the local people are happy we are there
- James is still continuing to offer support to the various groups (membership, website, etc.)
- Dustin asked again if any group needs more help or hours from James in regards to his time

UBM Advocacy Talks

- One of the items that came up when Dustin and Ed met with UBM was the underserved Advocacy track and getting talks from IGDA
- Ed and Dustin agreed we'd work to get top tier folks into that track and who we want to put forward for that slate of talks (potentially 6-8 talks)
- Dustin asked the board to send names of recommendations to him and Ed for consideration on the board list; specific speakers on specific topics should be shared and then we'll select who will make the approach to those people
- Brian asked about what kind of advocacy; Dustin mentioned quality of life, diversity, gender equality, etc. and the places the IGDA should have a voice in, e.g. diversity, quality of life, employment contracts, etc., e.g. what should we be talking about.
- Dustin would like to at least send in an initial slate in the next few weeks with at least a primary group of 6-8 talks and a general approval on the speaker side that they'll do it.

Finance Discussion

- Dustin will ask Ed to send a short summary to the board list about how we're doing since Ed is not available to attend the meeting
- Dustin felt comfortable saying that we're OK

Review of Action Items

- Dustin to ask Ed to send summary for finance update to board list
- Brian asked the board to continue giving feedback on the employment contract draft
- Dustin asked the board to email the board list with suggestions on advocacy talks and speakers

Executive Session entered 1:40 pm CT

Exited Executive Session at 1:41 pm CT

Brian moves to adjourn meeting.

Gordon seconds.

Meeting Adjourned 1:41 pm CT