Game RT Board Meeting - February 12, 2021 | 11 AM-12 PM EST

In Attendance:

- Tina Coleman (Staff Liaison) x
- Jennifer Bartlett (Pass President)
- Jessica Parij (President) x
- Thomas Vose (President Elect) x
- Erica Ruscio (Secretary) x
- George Bergstrom (Treasurer) x
- Tricia Boucher (Member at Large)
- Jessica Spears (Member at Large) x
- Dan Major (Member at Large) x
- Rebecca Strang (Member at Large) x

Discussion Recap

1. Approval of January Meeting Minutes

2. Old Business

• Midwinter Recap

- NMRT said again a HUGE THANK YOU for helping with the Midwinter game night. They were very grateful for our expertise and time to make their session fun and engaging.
- Virtual Gaming Programs Panel Presentation
 - Recap
 - Favorites: 828
 - Session description views: 1421
 - Handout views: 235
 - Attendees who joined: 228
 - We discussed where we want to save it as a member resource to make it available for members only. We have three videos total that we can post, including this one. Dan suggested an unlisted YouTube video. Unlisted videos don't show up on the general YouTube feed. We decided to post right on ALA's YouTube Channel with an already huge audience. Tina will help us make a subchannel on ALA's YouTube, mimicking GNCRT since they already have a structure that works. Tina will keep it unlisted until we approve it.
 - Tina also has the attendee list for the session so we can send a follow-up email with the link for folks.

ALA Connect issue

• Tina informed us that there might be two different GameRT groups on the Connect site and that she will fix it to avoid future confusion.

Webinars

o At the February 2 - Game On Grant Webinar (open to non-members) - we had 8 attendees.

- o Upcoming webinars will be open to just members, and they will alternate with Game Nights
- Once we officially switch Rebecca to chair the Program Committee, she will reach out to the members to help with game nights.
- March Game Night
 - We will have a mix of drink pairings suggested non-alcoholic & alcoholic
 - March 19 @ 7 PM Central Time (Thomas & Jess S. will lead it)
 - More info coming soon!
- April Webinar
 - Pokemon Go, Pokemon Club, Outdoor Pokemon Safari, <u>Pokemontabletop.org</u> (Jess P. & Rebecca & Dan)
 - April 22 tentatively, we will confirm the date at the March meeting.
- May we are cosponsoring George's Indiana State Library Event: Critical Hit: Using Dungeons and Dragons to Gamify Training and Evaluation (5/11)
 - More info coming soon!
- June ALA President's Program & ALA Play!

Calendars

- GameRT Board Members are now added to the GameRT Google Calendar.
- As of the meeting, the Connect Calendars were still troubleshooting; as of posting these
 minutes, it has been resolved. GameRT Members should be able to see public events on the
 GameRT connect page now huzzah!

• Committee Updates

- The Membership & Promotion Committee will update the current roundtable brochure from a PDF trifold brochure to a rack card, which is becoming the preference over three fold brochures. Tlna pointed out that our website has all the copy and all the information, so this should not be too text heavy but point people to the website for more information. ALA Membership will help with design and first printing. The committee can give Tina copy and any design requests.
- O IGW Committee committee has the date for 2021: November 7-13, 2021. 2021 will have more print and plays and how to run virtual gaming resources. For 2022, the IGW Anniversary, the committee is looking to make a unique component that is GameRT exclusive. The game would have 3D print files so it can be print & played to save on cost. Dan offered to print at cost too for giveaways. Jess S volunteered to make digital maps. We can also make the module an escape room.

3. New Business

Annual is virtual!

 We need to plan a President's Program - we get 90 minutes but are waiting for more details from Tina. Jess P suggested reaching out to the membership for ideas (see this facebook post from last year:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/LeagueOfLibrarianGamers/permalink/295593484777943 0). George suggested reaching out to a D&D player (who plays a librarian) from the Dungeon Run - we could have a gaming celebrity.

- We also need a plan for ALA Play Virtual and look into getting game publishers to do virtual game demos.
- Other things we need to decide:
 - Do we want a virtual booth? It will cost \$.
 - Do we want to do other smaller sessions?
 - We can also reach out to collaborate with other groups, like we did with NMRT for Midwinter. :)

Budget

- George submitted a preliminary draft of our upcoming budget request.
- Our RT membership went up slightly in January even though ALA Membership slightly decreased.

4. Miscellaneous

Voting

- Voting is next month! Ballots should be delivered by March 11.
- We will reach out to the people on the GameRT ballot and invite them to speak at the March 12 meeting.

GAMA Partnership

 Jenn and Rebecca talking with Jeff from GAMA about a partnership. If Jeff comes to one of our meetings to meet everyone and work out details to set an official partnership with GAMA. The RT cannot make the agreement directly, so we will need to check with Tina for next steps.

Next Meeting

- The next Board Meeting will be March 12 at 10 AM CST.
- Thomas will do the next Zoom meeting link. Tina suggested that we look into getting our own RT Zoom account.

Miscellaneous Links

- https://www.dndbeyond.com/posts/935-check-out-another-candlekeep-mysteries-adventure
- http://nlc.nebraska.gov/scripts/calendar/eventshow.asp?ProgID=20207