



**VISUAL EFFECTS SOCIETY – VANCOUVER SECTION**  
**NOTES**  
**MARCH Agenda**

Attendees: Steve Garrad, Noel Hoffman, Fred Chapman, Keri Young, Johanna D’Amato, Jo Ann Belen, Dave Morley, Jeremy Stewart, Sue Rowe, Timothy Zhao

Apologies: Gayle Munro, Kerry Corlett

**1. Call Meeting to order: 6:30pm. – March 22, 2023**

**2. Outstanding Action Points**

- *Action Item: Johanna to follow up with CDW on potential BBQ sponsorship.*
- *Action Item: Gayle to touch base with Versatile Media with sponsorship.*
- *Action Item: Timothy to follow up with Trainor for possible dates in June for scanning workshop.*
- *Action Item: Jeremy to touch base with XDS for possible participation in the conference to be held in September.*
- *Action Item: Noel to liaise with Shawn for Trivia Night in August- trivia mechanics.*
- *Action Item: VES Swag for Managers – to be used for events – c/o Jo Ann*
- *Action Item: Spiel used before screening – c/o Sue.*
- *Action item: Google sheets update – Members Directory/Facilities to be shared to the board -c/o Noel  
Other board members can update list need permissions to edit. Possible database also of potential members- signing up on events/ network expansion –e.g., games/on set production (Ongoing task)*

**3. Treasurer's Report – from Gayle' report**

<b>Feb 22 23</b>	<b>OPENING BALANCE</b>		<b>23,995.09</b>
02/27/2023	CHQ-Image Fee	1.50	
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02/28/2023	MONTHLY PLAN FEE	4.95	
02/28/2023	ACCT BAL REBATE		4.95
03/09/2023	SEND E-TFR ***Cev	448.21	
02/28/2023	Interest Credit on savings		3.56
03/09/2023	SEND E-TFR FEE	1.5	
<b>TOTAL TRANSACTIONS</b>		<b>457.66</b>	<b>8.51</b>
<b>Feb 22 23</b>	<b>CLOSING BALANCE</b>		<b>23,545.94</b>

**4. Screenings**

Upcoming / Potential Screenings between March – May.

\*\* Please note, HQ has requested these films, but they are not confirmed. Dates and confirmation TBD.

1. *SHAZAM! FURY OF THE GODS*
2. *JOHN WICK: CHAPTER 4 – confirmed March 29*
3. *DUNGEONS & DRAGONS: HONOR AMONG THIEVES – confirmed – April 12*
4. *TETRIS*
5. *A THOUSAND AND ONE*
6. *THE SUPER MARIO BROS. MOVIE – confirmed – April 13*
7. *AIR*
8. *THE POPE'S EXORCIST*
9. *RENFIELD*
10. *CHEVALIER*
11. *EVIL DEAD RISE*
12. *ARE YOU THERE GOD? IT'S ME, MARGARET*
13. *BIG GEORGE FOREMAN: THE MIRACULOUS STORY OF THE ONCE AND FUTURE*
14. *HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION OF THE WORLD*
15. *POLITE SOCIETY*

## 5. Education Events

- Fred Chapman's Leadership Webinar – Senior2Supe leadership Training Private training for VES members – Virtual Workshop – Fully booked at 20 participants. Gayle to send the zoom link.
- Nuke User Group – possible follow up event TBC
- Mentorship Program – Prospela welcomes more mentors to sign up for the program. - if they register via the Access VFX or Prospela websites then they can choose the group they want to join as part of that process and we can cross match them with mentees in other groups if the need arises thereafter. Contact person in Prospela – Community Manager – penny@prospela.com
- Shannon also mentioned that HQ is planning to give more updates for future mentor/mentee sign ups to be updated on the website. Details to follow.
- Scanning Workflow Workshop by JingYi from Pixel Light Effects. Proposing April 3<sup>rd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>, Jingyi is willing to bring his scanning truck if we can arrange for parking.  
  
Jingyi will need a screen room. Details to follow once dates and venue is determined.
- It was agreed that to hold the event on a later date possibly in June preferably on a weekend so there's more time for planning.
- Possible locations for the truck:
  - o Crafty Apes Parking Lot
  - o Image Engine Parking Lot

## 6. Social Events

VES Pub Nights

- April 11<sup>th</sup>. Sponsored by CoSA VFX.
- May 9<sup>th</sup> – Barnstorm VFX.
- June – Sohonet. Date TBD.
- July – Summer BBQ. Date TBD.
- August – to change up to Trivia Night/Membership Drive
- Sept 26 - DNEG
- Oct 24 - Digital Domain
- November – No Sponsorship Yet
- December – Xmas Party

7. Summer BBQ at The Beaumont

Agreed to go for July 15 date.

Please note: the Beaumont no longer has the tent covering the space so we will have to rent one if we want one. Same day pickup and drop off becomes expensive.

Framestore has at least 2 smaller standing tents (approx. 6ft by 6ft that we can lend out)

Venue Costs - \$100 an hour, minimum 4 hours. If we bring in food, there is a recycling fee of \$100 to manage the excess garbage coming into the venue. Event manager at \$30 an hour and bartender is \$25 an hour.

Quote below does not include drinks, prizes, tent, or food.

Last year, we bought all the food from Costco and BBQ. We could do this again or investigate catering, but the BBQ keeps costs down.

Cost For Venue	Notes
1085	\$155 Cost per hour. 1030AM - 530PM. Includes a bartender, event manager and the courtyard
100	Recycling Fee
241	BBQ Rental (prices from last year)
\$1426	Total for the space + BBQ

Sponsorship For the BBQ – the person from CDW who handles sponsorship has been away on vacation for the last month but should return next week. Jo is going to connect with them when so details to follow.

Gayle suggesting if we get a sponsor to hire a BBQ outfit, so they do all the running around, purchasing and clean up. We only did this ourselves last year cos we were footing the bill.

8. **Fall Membership Drive** – To hold the event alongside August Pub Night/Trivia Night  
Date and details to be determined.

Shannon requested to get Trivia materials from Shawn so other sections can possibly use it for their future events.

- Suggestions of expanding reach to game industry – possibly networking thru conferences/workshops.

9. Other Business – VES Swag – possible swag for Board Managers that they can wear during events (e.g., embroidered cap with Board Manager at the back, toque or pompom beanies, t-shirts, mouse mat, pins). Come up with design and can further discuss. HQ looking into expanding the current swag currently only t-shirt and cap available on the VES online store.

**10. Next Meeting Date** – April’s meeting on Thursday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:45PM. Just a reminder that we will be meeting with the Vancouver Post Alliance for the first 15 minutes of the meeting to see if there are any opportunities to collaborate this year.