

NTM – North Texas Mensa
A local Group of
American Mensa Ltd
A NY Not-for-profit corporation

Board Meeting for March 19, 2023

Meeting called to order at 6:00PM by Eric “Gunny” Hartman.

Present: President Eric “Gunny” Hartman, Vice-President Collene Goldman, Secretary Rajiv Lulla, Treasurer Cathy Allshouse, and Board Members at Chris Cree, Ken Roberts, and (via Zoom) Leza Mesiah

1. Reports

President – Gunny Hartman noted that the next board meeting would be April 16, 2023 at 6PM at Five Star Premier Residences (5455 La Sierra Dr, Dallas, TX 75231). He reminded those in attendance to renew their membership, if necessary, by the end of March, since membership is requirement for serving on the board. He noted that a new Gathering Committee member would need to be appointed to serve a 3-year term starting April 1.

Vice-President – Collene Goldman ... Regarding Community Outreach, she shared the following:

1. The decision-making process used to select the Dallas Public Library GED program as our initial Community Outreach effort.
2. Details about the Dallas Public Library GED and how we can participate.
3. Short-term volunteer opportunities Leza has been working on.

Secretary – Rajiv Lulla ... The February 2023 Minutes, which were distributed by email and in person, were approved by unanimous assent.

Treasurer – Cathy Allshouse ... Total Income: Jan. was \$1,004.72 and Feb. was \$1,019.36. Total Expenses: Jan. was \$284.02 and Feb. was \$860.22. Net Income/Expense: Jan. \$720.70 and Feb. was \$159.14. Checking: \$7,939.07. Savings: \$14,029.39. Note Receivable (Loan to Scholarship Foundation): \$10,000. Total NTM Assets: \$31,968,46. RG Account Balance: \$1,500.

Ombudsman – Roger Durham ... Ombudsman has nothing to report.

Membership – Ken Roberts ... As of March 1, 2023, Membership = 1200, with 33 New (since 1/1/2023) and 13 Leaving (since 1/1/2023). 258 Renewed since 1/1/2023. The expectation is fewer members to be reported on 4/1/2023 after memberships expire. Regarding the Area Membership project, 95% of members have been referred to 4 different area: East Dallas, Dallas, Dallas/Denton County, and Collin County. The plan is to recruit, assign, and direct area managers.

Communications – Collene Goldman ... Nothing to report

Publicity – Collene Goldman ... Nothing to report

Editor – Bill Rock ... After tonight, we're in a day-for-day slip waiting on the February draft minutes and RVC column. Two emails to the RVC have gone unanswered.

Gifted Children – Bill Rock ... “One person attended the storytelling festival last weekend. Event for April is astronomy night, and the book we're reading for Book Club is *Redwall*. Item for the agenda: I would like to ask the board to approve \$200 to help subsidize an event this summer with NuMinds Enrichment. With LG funding allocated, I can get a matching \$200 grant from the Mensa Foundation and subsidize the cost of the program. Also looking for anyone that may know of a space to hold the event (conference rooms or offices)

on a Saturday or Sunday.” (Board was fine with Bill Rock administering the Gifted Children budge at his discretion.)

Programs – Karen Brack ... Kate Fenton will be speaking on paleontology.

Testing Coordinator – Rebecca Raymond ... We tested 3 people in March at the Dallas Public Library (Timberglen location) and we’re looking at April 22 for our next test!

Publisher/Circulation Manager – Val Beasley ... Nothing to report.

Calendar – Sara Hawkins ... She’s not able to edit the calendar on the new website yet.

Webmaster – Andy McKellar ... Rajiv is transitioning to relieve Andy of webmaster duties.

S.I.G.H.T. – Gunny Hartman ... Nothing to report at this time

Scholarship Chair – Lauren Ogden ... No report

Social Media – Vacant ...

Regional Gathering – Karen Brack ... Holiday Inn Express & Suites North Dallas at Preston seems like an ideal option for us to have the RG. More details will be forthcoming in the M-Aura, etc.

New Members Party – Karen Brack ... Things are looking good for the banquet room at J.J.’s Cafe to have our New Members Party on Saturday, April 8. Everyone is encouraged to RSVP.

Financial Review Committee – Randy Brack ... Randy gave a summary of the Financial Review of the 2022 Financial Statements that he submitted to the Board via email on March 5, 2023. He suggested some measures to conform to Generally Accepted Accounting Procedures (GAAP), though he did not believe any funds were missing, and he suggested semiannual financial reports to be published in the M-Aura in compliance with the bylaws.

2. Actions

- Kevin Buchanan was appointed as the 3rd member of the Gathering Committee, with a term expiring 3/31/2026.

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded, and passed without opposition. Meeting was adjourned at 7:02PM.

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