

# NASFA Shuttle

## September 2019

### Calendar

2019 Sep 21: 6PM NASFA Meeting  
2019 Oct 18-19: Not-a-Con  
2019 Nov 16: 6PM NASFA Meeting  
2019 Dec 21: Probably a Christmas party  
2020 Jan 18  
2020 Feb 15  
2020 Mar 14 (one week early)  
2020 Apr 11 (one week early)  
2020 May 16  
2020 Jun 20  
2020 Jul 18  
2020 Aug 15  
2020 Sep 19  
2020 Oct 17  
2020 Nov 21  
2020 Dec 19

### Not-a-Con Hotel

There will not be a con, there will be a Not-A-Con! Make your reservations at:

<https://tinyurl.com/Not-a-Con-2019>

Make reservations for hotel, we need 10 rooms to get a discount on function space. Sam and Judy have not made their reservations, for shame.

### Not-a-Con Activities

There will be readings, games, and a craft. The webpage should be updated by the time you see this.

### Not-a-Con T-shirts

We will have T-shirts with David O Miller art! You must pre-order by October 5th.

To order send email to: NotACon.email@gmail.com and tell us your name/size/style/color choices.

#### Unisex T-Shirts

Sizes S-5XL

Cost \$16

Color choices: Black, Red, Maroon, Purple, Royal Blue, Dark Pink, Kelly Green, Galapagos Blue (Teal), Dark (smoky) Grey, Forest (dark) Green

#### Ladies V-neck T-Shirts

Sizes S-3XL

Cost \$16

Color choices: Black, Red, Coral, Purple, Royal Blue, Dark Pink, Irish Green, Dark (smoky) Grey

#### Navy Blue Polo

Sizes S-2XL

Cost \$25

Color choices: It is the Navy Blue Polo shirt. If you are not sure what color it is, I really can't help you

Let us know if you want the graphic on the front or the back (or we'll put it on the back)

## **NASFA Minutes**

By Doug Steve Lampert Sloan

(Steve was late, so I started and did not stop.)

### **Cricketts**

The August meeting of the North Alabama Science Fiction Association was called to order on Saturday, August 17, 2019 in the Madison satellite location of Willowbrook Baptist Church at 6:08:22.

### **Old Business**

Sam Emailed Filthy Pierre with a date correction.

### **New Business**

Sam reported that 2020 meeting dates are set because the church wanted dates; the club sales tax number was suspended for non-use, let them know if we need one; for anyone who cares, all available old shuttle PDFs now online; Sam's scanning equipment sucks, so shuttles not already in PDF form are not yet converted.

Should NASFA bid for Deep South Con 60 in 2022? Randy volunteered to run the Art Show if we do. Toni Weisskopf is on board. Treasurer Sam reported that the Con†Stellation account has a balance of \$5196.34. Sam could chair again like he did for DSC 40, and he could run the bid. He will need help setting up a hotel.

Doug moved to authorize Sam to bid for Deep South Con 60. Mike S. seconded, and the motion passed 7 to 2.

Doug stated that we should think about nominating NASFA officers in September as elections are supposed to be in November and there will be no October meeting.

### **Not-a-Con**

Judy has a couple of options for Not-a-Con T-shirt art to choose from.

Make reservations for hotel, we need 10 rooms to get a discount on function space.

Sam and Judy have not made their reservations, for shame.

Judy will let us know if we need to bring anything. Food and Drink are fine as long as not red. She (the hotel woman) did not say no purple, but let's go for non-staining colors. If you have any questions, contact Judy.

In honor of dueling minutes being taken: MikeK plays Dueling Banjos intro.

There was a digression about having an art show. Not-a-Con would need a business license to run an official art show. Melisa Gay may sell something, ditto Teresa Mather (editor: but probably not, Mary and I haven't done a thing about setting up to sell art).

### **Adjournment**

Sam moved to adjourn at 18:25:04 PM.

### **Program**

The August program was a NASFA auction, after a few donations the auction raised \$123.07 in a massive increase from last year's \$123.00.

The After the Meeting Meeting was hosted at the regular meeting location.

### **Administrivia**

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## **My 2020 Campaign Speech (Part 5 of 8)**

In May, in the first instalment of this speech, I mentioned that of the normal meeting attendees I am clearly the one other person most likely member to miss a meeting that Mary misses. Thus, I am an insane choice as her backup. While this is obviously true, it does not seem to discourage you people.

But note: Mary does take a few out of town trips every year that I don't go on. She goes to an EGA regional conference, and she stitches in Saint Augustine and in Cullman for a weekend each. Additionally, she could be sick or otherwise occupied on a meeting date when I am available. Thus, it is possible that by electing me as Vice President, you could be stuck with me as the presiding officer at a meeting.

It could happen.

If you vote for me, and it happens, then it will be your fault. You have been warned! You will have no one to blame but yourselves.

Obviously, the rest of you could simply flee the area to avoid the horror of being at a meeting where I am the presiding officer. Or could you?

It is common for me to substitute for Steve as recording secretary; I am also the one who publishes the official minutes, and I would be the presiding officer. If you all flee, then I can do anything I want to, claim it passed 6-3, put it in the minutes, and publish it in the official newsletter.

Unless you stay for the meeting, none of you would be able to contradict me. Those of you who do not vote against me could easily find that there was an emergency election and that you are now an officer.

It could happen to you. You personally could end up chairing a DSC or Not-A-Con or as President of the club.

And it will be your own fault. You could have avoided it, all you needed to do was vote for Not Doug.

Seriously, did not Stalin and the Soviet Central committee show that you need to be careful who records the official minutes of your meetings? It is no coincidence that Stalin was party secretary.

Of course, you might point out that Steve is the secretary of NASFA, but that will not save you, the official minutes are found in the shuttle.

Thus, you will have to attend and stay at any such meeting out of pure self-defense.

I hope you all own really good noise cancelling headphones and bring them to all the meetings.

Actually, scratch that, if you elect me, I hope you all own really good noise cancelling headphones, and forget and leave them at home the week that I am the presiding officer. You deserve to hear every word if you vote for me. Only a moron would force himself to listen to me preside over a meeting. Do not be a moron. Vote for Not Doug for VP in 2020!

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