

June 4th Board Meeting Minutes

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Judge Foundry Board of Directors

June, 2025

A meeting of the board of directors of Judge Foundry was held on Wednesday, June 4th, 2025, at 8 p.m. Eastern Standard Time by videoconference. President Joe Klopchic presided. Vice President Tobias Vyseri, Secretary Brook Gardner-Durbin, Treasurer John Brian McCarthy, and Director Rob McKenzie were present. Matt Schafer also attended as parliamentarian.

Meeting Opening

Joe Klopchic called the meeting to order at 8:00pm. He verified that there is a quorum of board members present.

Minutes

Minutes for May were approved, and are now posted on the Judge Foundry website.

Member Report

Joe Klopchic provides a report on the membership status of Judge Foundry.

Affiliate - 513 (13)

L1 - 334 (5)

L2 - 165 (2)

L3 - 27 (0)

L4 - 11 (0)

L5 - 16 (0)

Total - 1066 (20)

Treasurer's Report

John Brian McCarthy provides a report on the revenue and costs for the month of April, including all merchandise sales.

Revenue for May was \$4,448.43, total expenses were just shy of \$3134.38, for a total net revenue of \$1314. Judge Foundry has 53,930.59 on hand.

Board Q&A

Dominic: When will the process be available on JudgeApps for judges who lost their level due to either failing maintenance or a lapse in their membership? Currently I believe the maintenance test is still available for people of the given level, but that is creates for the user, not for someone else to gain their level back.

Joe: The process will be available starting July 1st, but may be manual at that point. Please email testing@judgefoundry.org for information. If a judge has already completed all of the requirements other than the refresh test, use that same email, but include documentation of the requirements, and we will get the test created.

Madison: Does the Board in its current capacity have the power and interest to discipline members for unprofessional behaviour?

Does the Board in its current capacity have the power and interest to outline unprofessional behaviours for which a member shall, not may, be disciplined?

Rob: The board has a process for handling conduct disputes right now - we go to an executive (closed) session, and we can and do discuss conduct issues in that session. This isn't public because we don't want to broadcast allegations about members during board meetings. Actions taken are also going to end up being private. We want to correct issues, not publicly attack people.

I've personally worked on a Code of Ethics for members, and it got set aside due to some other things going on. Brook and I have been actively working on it again recently.

I also want to point out that the board is ultimately accountable to the membership in ways that no prior organization has been - in the pre-Judge Academy and Judge Academy years, the overall organizational heads weren't chosen by and removable by the membership, they were hired by a top-down organization head. The bylaws outline the process for election and removal of the board of directors by the members.

Announcements

Brook let everyone know that the Review Contest filter is up from JudgeApps, the specifics are all outlined in the article on the website.

Joe let everyone know that the historical levels are being taken down, and if you want an expedited way to regain your level an announcement will be made in the next few weeks.

Tarkir Dragonstorm quizzes are closing on the upcoming monday.

Adjournment

Joe Klopchic adjourned the meeting at 8:12 pm