

# GameRT Board Meeting Agenda

Thursday, July 10, 2025; 12pm CST

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## Meeting pre-checks:

- Make Board members Zoom co-hosts
- Start meeting recording
- Quorum = 6 Board members

## Attendance

Liz

## 2025 - 2026 Board Members:

- Apprentice Mage - Chris Baker (2025 - 2026)
- Mage - Amber Sewell (2025 - 2026)
- Sage Mage - Danielle Costello (2025 - 2026)
- Treasurer - Thomas Vose (2024 - 2026)
- Secretary - Liz Brown (2024 - 2026)

- Meeple at Large - Carl DiNardo (2025 - 2027)
- Meeple at Large - Molly Porter (2025 - 2027)
- Meeple at Large- Emily Krause (2025 - 2027)
- Meeple at Large- Hannah Mabry Wang (2024 - 2026)
- Meeple at Large- Jennifer Taylor (2024 - 2026)
- Meeple at Large- Joshua Newport (2024 - 2026)
- ALA Councilor- Terri Grief
- ALA Staff Liaison- Tina Coleman

### Others in attendance:

Welcome! Please introduce yourself in chat by stating your name, associated library, and any GameRT committees or projects that you are a part of.

## Past Meeting Minutes Approval

Liz

- [June Meeting Minutes](#)
- Remember to update your calendars with the most recent Zoom link
- GameRT Inbox schedule:
  - Amber - Monday
  - Danielle - Tuesday
  - Liz - Thursday
  - Chris - Will be Friday!
- Confirm committee chairs
  - note that board member terms have been added to attendance for tracking purposes

## Magely Items

Amber

- Mage's Statement
  - Danielle's goals from last year:
    - Building Connections
      - Continue to develop our Thanos gauntlet of Round Tables who work with us
      - Increase participation from games publishers
      - Develop a resource tool kit for members to take to local game conventions and library conferences
    - Sustainability

- Institutional knowledge- create mentorship & skill sharing opportunities, create working documents & trainings for committees to pass down
  - Sharing & sustaining the workload- larger participation on round table projects from general membership
  - Creating an official GameRT policy on AI use - Fuck AI
- Amber's goals for this year:
  - Continue D's sustainability goals by creating more comprehensive documentation
  - Increase engagement in round table (ex., new member orientation)
- GameRT liaisons:
  - Intellectual Freedom Committee (IFC), one-year term: LeeAnn McNabb
  - Committee on Professional Ethics (COPE), one-year term: Tylar Kerstetter
  - Liaisons will provide written reports for board meeting agendas when available, facilitate discussions as needed at board meetings. If unable to attend, Amber will meet with them ahead of time to get info needed to facilitate discussions.
- Game list for blog

## Program Committee

[Programming suggestion form](#)

## Virtual Programming

Colin

- Round Table Spectacular (October)
- Mini Conference (March)

## Conference Programming

Rebecca/Molly (past chair)

- [ALA Annual](#) recap
  - ALA Play
  - RUSA / NMRT Trivia
  - Puzzledome
  - Other programming
  - Exhibitor's Hall
  - GameRT Board meeting
  - RTCA meeting
  - Narrascope meetup

- Gen Con
  - More Than Alt Text: Designing for Accessibility (Friday Aug. 1, 2025 @ 10AM)  
<https://gencon.eventdb.us/event.php?GameCode=SEM25ND271905>
  - Meeting with Diana of the Rose (content creator) & Sylvan Gales (Clawhammer Games) Wednesday July 30
  -
- C2E2
- Other conferences

## International Games Month

### George

- [Registration is open!](#) 200 libraries (154 US, 43 UK, 1 Japan, 1 Egypt, and 1 Oman)
- Sponsors
  - TTRPGKids
  - Almost Bedtime Theater
  - CAH
  - CAH Scholarship
  - Indie Press Revolution
  - Dinoberry Press
  - Ten Acre Games
  - Hatchling Games
  - MonarcWriter Storytelling Games
  - Roll For Combat
  - Rowan, Rook, & Decard
  - Three Sails Studios
  - R. Rook Studio
  - Exeunt Press
  - Clawhammer Games
  - Johnson Ofair
  - Brackish Draught
  - Less Than Three Games
  - Central Michigan University Press
  - Mythworks
  - In the works:
    - Restoration Games
    - Kobold Press
    - The Op

- Indie designers / publishers, through Steph Campbell (TTRPGKids) connection (many of the sponsors that came in after the May meeting came from this, don't know if more are coming)

## Past Action items:

- ☒ ~~Send Tina CAH contact info - Rebecca~~
  - ☒ ~~send ALA sponsorship form to Cards Against Humanity - Tina~~
- ☒ ~~Alternate Narrascope / social meetup location - Molly / conference attendees~~
- ☒ ~~Post booth staffing form on Bluesky - Liz~~
- ☒ ~~At Annual **close**, make an inventory of remaining swag / GameRT contents so we know what to reorder for next year - Tina & Molly~~
- ☒ ~~IGM sponsor marketing campaign - Tylar / Liz / George, beginning June 30~~

## Treasurer's Report

Thomas

## Council Report

Terri

## Past Action items:

- ☒ ~~Submit questions / concerns about Strategic Plan to Terri before Annual - all board members~~

## ALA Updates

Tina / Karen

## Past Action items:

## Outreach Committee

Jennifer / Tylar

### [Social media request form](#)

- Please submit requests for social media posts by midnight the Sunday following GameRT Board meetings

- If you have a last minute request or need quicker turnaround for posts, reach out to the Outreach Committee chair

### Past Action items:

- ☒ ~~Meta close out completed — Jennifer~~

## Awards Committee

George

Nothing new to report. We haven't had the first meeting of the new committee yet. 2025 games have been selected and the committee will be drafting the announcements soon.

## Metadata Committee

Mackenzie

### Past Action items:

- ☒ ~~Create and share out printable guides with for Annual printing — Mackenzie~~
- ☒ ~~Post white paper to GameRT blog — Liz~~

## Strategic Planning Committee

Danielle

- Marketing [GameRT services survey](#) after Annual?
  - So far we have 16 responses
- Revising GameRT Rules to update board titles
  - Secretary - Scribe
  - Treasurer - ?
  - Other revisions / suggestions?
- AI Policy

## Game On! Grant Committee

Rebecca (chairing until Jan. 1) / Josh

- WINNERS!

- Johnsborg Public Library District (IL) will use grant funds (\$1000) to create an after-school video gaming club and circulating video game collection. Without a park district or recreation center, JPLD provides library services to a large after-school community. They hope to provide access to a high-interest/high-cost activity that many families in their community cannot afford, as “27% of our students are enrolled in SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program).” The creation of the club and collection will fulfill the myriad of requests they receive from library patrons for video games, and it will establish a collection that their Friends of the Library can fundraise for, as well as provide resources for on-going library programs.
- University of Southern Mississippi Libraries - Cook Library (MS) will also receive \$1000 in grant funds to build an international gaming collection that will also support multicultural programming across campus. International students make up 7% of USM’s enrollment in Hattiesburg, MS. The library will collaborate with USM’s Pakistani Student Organization, Latinx Student Association, The Nations, and International Student and Scholar Services on interdepartmental programs to support their international students and promote awareness of international games across campus. They have wide student interest in multicultural games, but have lacked the budget to build a more substantial collection.

## Past Action items:

- ☒ ~~Press release announcing 2025 winners~~

## Additional Items

## Open Comments / Questions

- What is everyone playing?

## Next Board Meeting

GRT Board meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month from 12:00 - 1:00 CST.

Zoom links are available through Connect and Discord.

Forthcoming meetings will be:

- August 14, 2025
- September 11, 2025
- October 9, 2025
- November 13, 2025
- December 11, 2025
- January 8, 2026
- February 12, 2026
- March 12, 2026
- April 9, 2026
- May 14, 2026

- June 11, 2026