IGDA Scotland Board Meeting
12th March 2013

Present - Luke Dicken, Brian McDonald, Romana Ramzan

Dundee Meeting

Discussed meeting scheduled for 13th March
- 45 registered attendees
- 2 volunteers helping out
- Speakers are lined up, and program schedule is done

All systems seem to be set up for this to go off smoothly

Game In Scotland Wrapup

On the whole the board felt we had a very positive experience with GIS, and there had been significant value to attending.
- Still finding it somewhat hard to justify paid-IGDA membership, instead advocating strongly for engagement with local chapter
  - Scholarships were seen as a particular incentive given GIS demographic, and we pushed this appropriately
- Discussed the promotional material used during the event and what we can do to push this further
- Discussed having a more organised presence than simply using Facebook and Twitter, with a Mailchimp newsletter or some other mailing list being suggested.

Edinburgh Meeting (April 10th)

Organised plans for the next meetup
- Covered some potential issues with the venue for the meeting. *Brian to follow up on this*
- Discussed potential topics. Following on from Facebook poll, strong interest in Press Relations, but GDC Summary is more time critical and also received interest.
  - Last year's panel covered ways to get to GDC and reasons to go
  - This year the emphasis will be more on providing a summary of takeaways and themes.
  - Aim is to recruit Scottish GDC attendees in advance and ask them to keep in mind content for a panel session during the week. *Brian and Romana to approach speakers*
- Press Relations event held for likely use subsequent month in Glasgow

GDC

Summarised events being hosted by the IGDA at GDC, as well as extra meetings and events that Chapter Leaders can/should attend, including the chapter leader roundtable and several others.

Discussed relevant other events that being present at would make sense (in particular the SDI Scotland party) in order to ensure best networking opportunities for the chapter.

After GIS, we are out of IGDA business cards, and need to get some for Romana in any case. *Luke to source and order in time for GDC*

Any Other Business

This being Romana's first committee meeting (and the first meeting of 2013), the board discussed briefly division of responsibilities. It was agreed that in general, responsibilities would not be defined, giving more freedom for as-needed organisation.

The idea of a Volunteer Bank was suggested. This would allow us to collect information on people willing to help the chapter in a number of ways, giving us access to them for meetings and other activities. It was noted that we particularly are in need of someone with video editing skills, as well as someone to write blog entries.

The problem of sponsorship and funding was brought up again. The core issue remains that we don't currently have a bank account in which to collect and pool donations, so we have to do this on an ad hoc basis. *Luke to investigate making use of a business bank account*