October General Meeting October 23, 2005

Present: Secretary, Chair, Operations, Facilities, Programming

2:44pm – Chair introductions. 2 meetings outside the core area every year to accommodate those not living in the immediate area.

2:48pm – Secretary – nothing to report

2:50pm – Operations – Registration: 1000 pre-regs have been met. Receipts are going out soon. Reg needs staff for at-con. Registration email is available online. Sakuracon Attendee services (formerly Security) is looking for staff. They are currently focusing on staff having a good attitude, and understanding crowd control. Volunteer Coordinator is looking for more volunteers. Volunteers can email <u>volunteers@sakuracon.org</u>, or go to the Yahoo group scvolunteers. There were 146 individuals using the yahoo group, so it is an excellent resource for volunteers and staff who need volunteers. Also, there will be a reimbursement (partial) of room costs. More details soon.

Tech needs staff to do boards, set up equipment, etc. Training will be provided. Operations also needs staff for the operations room (ops hq).

2:55pm – Facilities – Facilities is stressing the need for staff to reserve a room. Hotels are filling up fast. The Roosevelt is 76% full, others are close. The Crown Plaza has a lot of rooms left. Also, Facilities wants to confirm that the con is a 24 hour event. Minors have a 1:00am curfew.

Regarding room parties, Room parties cannot be advertised or endorsed. They can still occur, however SC as an organization cannot recognize or endorse them.

3:09pm – Programming – A tentative schedule is online for managers and coordinators. Main Events: Karaoke rules and descriptions are finished, we are looking for judges. Masquerade Ball: Back this year, the room fits 450. There may be a live band AMVs: online submissions are still being accepted.

Charity Auction: moving forward steadily, nothing new to report

Gaming: console gaming is looking for Staff. Contact <u>gaming@sakuracon.org</u> Programming C&C (Prog control room) is looking for staff.

Requests for supplies for a room that has a programming event should be made by January 15th, and should be submitted to Operations via your manager.

Events that need corporate gifts and prizes, contact <u>Corporate@sakuracon.org</u> first, before approaching companies yourself.

3:30pm – Relations – Contracts have been sent to Japan. Once they return, we will be ready to make announcements.

Corporate: Looking for sponsorships. Please forward interested companies to <u>corporate@sakuracon.org</u>.

Exhibits hall is close to sold out. There will be food in the hall.

Artists alley is sold out, and is also located in the Exhibits hall. Art Show has found a coordinator. Details forthcoming.

3:40pm – Publicity – Webteam is prepping the Mascot contest for 2007, and details will be available soon. The contest winner will be announced at Closing ceremonies this year. Info booth is looking for more staff.

There will be television commercials for Sakuracon in January and February, on Adult Swim (Cartoon Network).

Publications is looking for someone to do the newsletter at con.

The advertising packet is online and currently being used.

3:50pm – Treasurer – Sitting at \$135,000.

4:01pm – ANCEA report – Seattle International Childrens Festival has approached ANCEA/Sakuracon to do an event in May '06. ANCEA will sponsor the event.

4:03pm – New Business – None (Quorum not present) There is a Halloween party at University Heights Community Center on the 28th at 7:00pm November meeting is in Bellingham on the 19th (Saturday) No December meeting – There will be a Christmas party January meeting is on the 15th (Sunday) at the Washington State Convention Center.

February meeting is also at the WSCTC (Date TBD)

March Meeting is on the 19th in Tacoma. This is also the bag stuffing party.

4:10pm – meeting closed.