General Meeting - 01/28/2007

Meeting called to order at 1:11 pm

Treasurer/Financial Report - 170 grand

Programming

- Panels still being scheduled. (Please see panel coordinator <u>panels@sakuracon.org</u>)
- Gaming: New console manager. Also, needing more staff. Super Smash Brothers tournament will be held. Classic game room, please consult console manager if you wish to lend your console system to the con. Other tournaments will be held (including Guitar Hero II)
- Live Programming: There will be an AMV room (which will be closed during the AMV contest). Manga Library Coordinator needed, as the Seattle Library was not able to. Also, asking for a loan of Manga collections for the Manga Library.
- AMVs: No pass needed to get in.
- CosPlay: Minor flaw on the on-line submission form, being fixed. Only 5 submissions so far.
- Events/Main Events: Schedule read out, will be posted on web.

Facilities: Staff Block – Please contact Steve (<u>facilities@sakuracon.org</u>) so that arrangements can be made. Room blocks are at about 60% full. Please remember, no room stuffing – 4 or less people per room.

Secretary

- Policies which are online in the forums. Motion made to just vote on the policies without reading them since they've been available online. 2 abstains, no opposition, and rest were ayes.
- Policy vote: 63 affirmed, 2 opposed, 14 abstentions

Publications

- Advertisements will be on several avenues. Radio, TV, websites (i.e. Gameworks & Scarecrow Video), Newtype magazine (full page ad), newspaper. Press releases sent also to a number of Universities and Colleges.
- Television commercial February 1st on Cartoon Network, Spike TV, Sci-Fi Channel, Comedy Central (during South Park)

- Comcast will have the event listed on their Spotlight Events Calendar.
- Looking for volunteers to as a push to post more flyers at more stores.
- Website: Registration is now on a secure server.
- Staff for press is filled. Photography and Videographers are filled.

Break started 2:07

Break ended 2:32

Operations

- Registration: 2150 people pre-reg, 168 registered as Convention staff Reg still needs staff.
- Membership services: Staff mostly completed, still need a few more positions (i.e. Staff Preservation)
- SAS A few more staff is needed. Radio frequencies have been decided on, along with color of peace bonding tape.
- Tech wants more staff and received half of their equipment already.

Membership Secretary: Staff deadline coming up, please send lists in to both registration and membership secretary.

Relations

- Artist alley is full. Team wants one staff member.
- Exhibits Hall 95% full with paperwork still being processed. 6 more people needed for Exhibits Hall Staff
- Art show John has been reminded about the art show boards again. Registration has been closed for the art show.
- Guest Reception Dinner: \$50 per person at the top of the Sheraton.
- We have Funimation as a sponsor. More guests have been announced (including Manga artists) will be listed on the Sakuracon website.
- Major guest announcement. "M.O.V.E" (Saturday concert at 3pm)

Northwest Afternoon – Pre-reg with Mira – February 8th 9-11 am (no jeans and no cosplay).

Animania tonight at 2 locations.

Meeting ended at 3:07 pm