Sakura-Con General Meeting February 21, 2010

Meeting called to order at 1:02 PM Introduction of the board Walkthrough of the building

Department Reports

Operations Report

If you need a mobile con phone for con work, you must let Ops Telecom know TODAY!

Ops office is looking for staffers.

Audio-Visual Ops is still looking for staffers.

Information Technology Ops is also still looking for staffers.

If you have a computer or networking need at con, tell it@sakuracon.org

Logistics needs a list of what needs to move from the shed to the convention center. If you are responsible for something in the shed, you need to let Logistics know when you need to set up before con. You also need to let Logistics know when you need to pack up and go home at the end of con. Logistics could always use more staffers.

Sakura Attendee Services needs more staffers, mostly at night.

Publicity Report

Go to SakuraConPR on YouTube to see all the commercials.

Bus ads are running.

Street banners will be hung outside the WSCTC for four weeks around Easter.

Other advertising is starting to run.

Mascot contest entries are due at the end of the month.

Posters and flyers are available for distribution.

Limited edition plushies will be available at Merchandising.

Online systems are going well.

If you are staff and do not have access to the staff forums, please contact Dessa so that she can match up your forum name and your email.

Info Booth is looking for questions that might occur during con. Please contact

infobooth@sakuracon.org with any suggestions you have.

The Publications Deadline is past. Emergency changes to any published information must be gotten to <u>publicity@sakuracon.org</u>

Membership Report

Our new registration system is working well.

If there are any problems with the barcodes, email preregistration@sakuracon.org

We also have made dramatic improvements to the speed for at-con registrations.

5700 pre-registations are in the system.

There are currently 456 voting members.

Registration is mostly full up, but would not turn away more people.

Badge images can be submitted through a form on the staff section of the website. Deadline is March 6th. Ideal size is 750x750 pixels.

Staff Preservation is open 24 hours this year. The room numbers will be posted in 202 (reception). They will not deliver food to the convention center. Bring your badge if you want food!

Programming Report

Live programming has mats for cosplay chess. No shoes on the mats!

Puppet show panel is happening.

Kimono workshop is back! You can even bring your own kimono from home.

Late night programming is amazing.

Manga library might have something awesome in seating. We are accepting manga loans and donations for the library; please contact <u>mangalibrary@sakuracon.org</u> or look on the forums.

Swap meets are happening for manga, figures, and random toys. No money will change hands. Looking for panel room moderators

Video gaming: retro room will be open 24 hours, still looking for staff. Email <u>gaming@sakuracon.org</u> if you are interested.

Dances: props, bags and coats will not be allowed inside the dance. Coat check will be in the waterfall area outside of Main Events.

If you have karaoke music, please contact <u>karaoke@sakuracon.org</u> AMV contest deadline is now March 7th.

Treasurer Report

Bag stuffing will be our next meeting; food will be at Gameworks immediately afterwards. Guest reception tickets will be available for sale; look on the forums.

Secretary Report

Assisted Mira and the lawyer in getting our 501(c)3 application in the mail. We are now playing the waiting game of either three months or eleven months before hearing anything back.

Relations Report

Art show and Artists' Alley is going really well. Talk to Lori about the Charity Auction if you're interested. Art Show needs more staffers. Corporate Sponsorships: we have lots of sponsors! Blood drive will happen on Saturday of the convention. Exhibitors' Hall is looking for staffers; contact <u>scexhibitors@sakuracon.org</u> if you're interested. There are ten booths remaining. Noizi Ito is a guest. DJ Sharpnel is a guest. Yutaka Minowa is a guest. Announcement: the world premiere of Trigun the Movie will be at Sakura-Con 2010!

Motion to adjourn made and seconded. Meeting adjourned at 3:36 PM