Sakura-Con General Meeting January 16, 2011

Meeting called to order at 1:00 PM

#### **Department Reports**

#### **Facilities**

Hotels are looking good.

If you are a staffer, do NOT email Garth or Joe – you need to talk to your director about your hotel room!

The Hyatt, the Renaissance, and the Olive 8 are all filled.

There is a deadline of February 14<sup>th</sup> to get your staff hotel room at the staff rate.

#### Membership

Still looking for more registration staffers Pre-registration is looking good Staff Preservation has menu options and all positions filled.

## Secretary

Staff handbook will be on the staff website by the end of the week. Please read it!

## **Publicity**

Lots of publication relationships and advertising is in full swing.

Bus advertising is expanding!

New merchandising will be available. Quick poll: we want zip-up hoodies!

There will be our usual stuffed toy: this year, the toy will be a dog.

Publications deadline is February 14th!

If you are submitting something for public consumption, please send it to <a href="mailto:copyeditor@sakuracon.org">copyeditor@sakuracon.org</a>

Mascot contest is open! It will remain open until February 28<sup>th</sup>.

If you need an email address, please contact Publicity

New info booth satellite! Needs lots of volunteers! Please email publicity@sakuracon.org if you're interested.

# Operations

Any deliveries can be coordinated with Logistics for easy organization.

February  $1^{st}$  is the next deadline for Logistics: need a list of items that need to be moved from the shed to the convention space. Final deadline is March  $1^{st}$ : need a list of items that need to be moved from the shed to the convention space, and back again.

Logistics needs staff! Please contact <a href="logistics@sakuracon.org">logistics@sakuracon.org</a> if you're interested. We need truck drivers!

If you have any computer equipment requirements, please contact <a href="Mailto:IT@sakuracon.org">IT@sakuracon.org</a>. IT is also looking for a few more staff members!

AV is looking for more staff

Stage manager is looking for people with technical stage experience; please contact opsstage@sakuracon.org

Telcom will be staying with the same radios. Please contact your director if you think you need a radio.

Ops Office is looking for more staffers!

SAS is looking for more volunteers!

If you are a staffer, please keep an eye on the crowds on the fourth floor – we are starting to see more and more people in the public section of the space that are not badged members. We need to start taking formal note of these numbers.

If you see solicitors in the public area, please report it DURING THE CONVENTION! They should not be here.

Even exhibitors' hall vendors are not allowed to canvass outside their vendor space.

## **Programming**

We have more DJs for the dances, and dancers for the dance stage Manga Library is looking for more staffers!

Need more panels for programming. Please help run panels or just suggest ideas for panels! Deadline for panel suggestions is February 14<sup>th</sup>.

There is a thread on the dance forums for ideas for the Masquerade Ball Cosplay chess sign-ups are live.

Still need panel moderators; please volunteer!

New cosplay rules: cosplay skits have been separated from the costume-only contest.

Gaming is looking for volunteers; please contact <a href="mailto:gaming@sakuracon.org">gaming@sakuracon.org</a>
If you have a gaming tournament suggestion, please contact gaming.
Prize Room is looking for volunteers!

#### Relations

Art Show contract is available online

Artist Alley is full; looking for volunteers

Charity Auction is looking for more submissions

Lush, Top Pot, and Pacific Fabric Company, Seattle Public Library are all sponsors.

We have a new sponsor for this year; we will announce it as soon as we have the contract!

Exhibitors' Hall is mostly sold out!

Section Nine is looking for female volunteers.

Still looking for a transportation coordinator!

New guest announcement on the website next week.

The Gantz giveaway winners will be announced tonight.

Blood drive will be Saturday and Sunday, 80 units each day! There will be great prizes for the blood drive again.

Looking to organize a facility walk-through after the end of the one of the next meetings.

Motion made to adjourn. Seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 2:38 PM