General Meeting Notes

November 21st, 2021

#### Attended:

- Tom Allmendinger
- Brenton Maynard
- Mitch Brackett
- Sarah Roh
- Alyx Lechner
- Dan Weiner
- Ashley Motta
- Heather Chambers
- Ashley LaBreck
- Shane Rideout

## Start Time: 1:00 pm

## Operations

- Currently no cap on admission from the Convention Center.
  - Working with the convention center to identify what other conventions have done and will bring findings to the board.
- For Shed days, please email <u>logistics.shed@sakuracon.org</u>.
- Hiring for multiple slots within every department
  - o Email operations@sakuracon.org

## Programming

- Working on getting contests launched.
  - AMV contest should be launched at the end of this month.
    - There will be a 2020 and a 2021 contest.
- No VR this year due to health issues.
  - Hope to bring it back at a future convention.
  - Arcade space will still be fully utilized and space games to help with spacing between.
- Cleaning supplies will be available.
  - Mic for public spaces will have interchangeable tops.
    - Soft tops will be used that can be pulled off and new one put on for each use.
- Hiring within Programming
  - Email programming@sakuracon.org

## Membership

- Hiring in all departments.
  - Email <u>membership@sakuracon.org</u>
  - Reg Dev is on hiatus.
    - Speak to Operations for web work.



- Staff Preservation will be updated in the next month or two after some things are confirmed with the Convention Center.
- Membership will be checking vaccination cards to IDs at reg.

## Relations

- Guest announcements are rolling out and more to come.
- Finalizing with music guests.
- Many sponsors are reaching out that want to represent at Sakura-Con.

## Publicity

- Working to get transit ads in Seattle and Portland starting in 2022.
- Hiring in all areas.
  - Use the volunteers form at the bottom of the volunteer or email publicity@sakuracon.org.
- Restarting the newsletter
  - Send an email to <u>info@sakuracon.org</u> with the word "subscribe" in the subject line.
  - Subscribe button will be added soon.

# Facilities

- Working on hotels as fast as possible.
  - More information to come.
  - Hotels are going by the state COVID guidelines.
- No designated eating spaces with the Convention Center currently.
  - Will speak to the Convention Center and report back.

## Treasurer

• No Report

Membership Comments:

- Are masks required for con?
  - Yes, for all attendees and staff. Please check the Covid-19 Safety tab on Sakura-Con's website.
- List of Events:
  - Nov 21-22: Anime **Gintama: The Very Final** (Fathom Events, <u>https://www.fathomevents.com/events/Gintama---The-Very-Final?</u>)
  - Dec 3: Anime **Sword Art Online Progressive: Aria of a Starless Night** (Fandango, <u>https://www.fandango.com/sword-art-online-progressive-aria-of-a-starless-night-2021-226229/movie-overview?</u>) Tickets on sale now.
  - Dec 5-6, 9: Anime **My Neighbor Totoro** (Fathom Events, <u>https://www.fathomevents.com/events/My-Neighbor-Totoro-2021?</u>)

- Dec 14: Anime Macross Plus (Fathom Events, <u>https://www.fathomevents.com/events/Macross-Plus-Movie-Edition?date=2021-12-14</u>)
- Kyodo News: <u>U.S. court orders Google to disclose manga piracy site operator</u>. "A court in the United States has ordered internet firms including Google LLC to disclose the identity of the operator of a large-scale manga piracy site in line with a request from Japanese publishers, court documents showed Monday." (Research Buzz)
- Joe Hisaishi concert at the Seattle Symphony Benaroya Hall rescheduled for June 30 July 2, 2022.

Motion to adjourn by Julian

• Seconded by Dessa

Adjournment: 1:50 pm