February

Attended:

- Tom Allmendinger
- Mitch Brackett
- Jeff Peterson
- Erin Durdy
- Ashley Motta
- Brenton Maynard
- Shane Rideout
- Elmira Utz
- John Utz
- Alyx Lechner
- Annastasia Gallahar

Start Time: 1:01pm

Operations

- AV good on staff.
- IT needs more staff members at it@sakuracon.org.
- Send requests for equipment to your managers.
- Logistics
 - o Still accepting volunteers.
 - Email <u>logistics@sakuracon.org</u>
 - Shed day is March 10th.
 - Official last shed day before con.
 - Waiting on department inventory lists.
- AV will have a training day on March 10th with logistics.
 - o Email <u>av@sakuracon.org</u> for location
- Gear orders
 - o Turn in by Friday March 2nd.
- Main stage is still looking for people.
 - o Email operations@sakuracon.org

Programming

- Programming Admin
 - o Still need volunteers
 - Email <u>progadmi@sakuracon.org</u>.
- Prize deadline due by March 5th.
- Live Programming
 - o Panels are closed.
 - Getting everything
 - Hiring for Manga Library
 - Email <u>live.programming@sakuracon.org</u>.
 - o Hiring for cosplay repair and swaps.
 - Email <u>programming@sakuracon.org</u>.

- Gaming
 - o Pen and paper RPG Dungeon Masters
 - Email <u>programming@sakura.org</u>.
- Media Programming
 - o DJs are to be announced soon.

Membership

- Pre-Registration closes March 7th.
- Hiring for Registration Staff
 - o Email <u>membership@sakuracon.org</u> or registration@sakuracon.org
- Thursday (12pm-10)pm, Friday-Saturday (6am-10pm), Sunday (10am-2pm)
 - Added two more registrations
- Membership office
 - o Fully Staffed.
 - Open Thursday 8pm to 12am.
 - Open Friday 5am to Sunday at 1pm.
- Registration training with be March 25th.
- Hiring developers for Registration system
 - o Email membership@sakuracon.org.

Publicity

- Staff are still needed in SAS, Merch, Dispatch, and More. Please see the volunteer page for listings. Anyone looking to put notices up on the cons social networks can email publicity@sakuracon.org for boosts.
- Posters have been mailed to several hundred stores, restaurants and schools in the greater Puget Sound. If you picked up posters last meeting please be sure to distribute them.
- In coming weeks, advertising with Comcast spotlight (web and email based) will launch, as will online ads with the Seattle Times (Facebook and greater Seattle times networks).
- We are being featured in Canada Air's Japanese catalog as well as Alaska Aur Magazine. Origami, the new local Japanese cultural magazine will feature a back page ad in March. Genki Life will feature an ad. North American post will be writing a feature before the convention.
- Press releases for the event will go 30 days prior to the event, then again on the Wednesday before the event in order to continue soliciting press coverage.
- Mascot contest has a new sponsor in Wacom. Deadline is extended to March 14th. Our staff vote will be at our election meeting.
- Our email coordinator position is coming open. Johnathan will assist us in transitioning, but we'd like to hire ASAP. Contact publicity@sakuracon.org
- SAS
 - o Hiring
 - Email <u>publicity@sakuracon.org</u>
- Info

- Hiring for all departments
 - Email info@sakuracon.org or publicity@sakuracon.org.
- Merchandising
 - Still hiring for both locations
 - Email publicity@sakuracon.org
- Publicity Office
 - o Hiring
 - Email <u>publicity@sakuracon.org</u>.

Relations

- All guests are signed.
 - We had two last minute guests.
- There are 19 guests totaled.
- Tea Party announcements coming soon.

Facilities

- Hotels are closing on February 28th.
- Walk Through
 - Next meeting, we will walk through the back spaces of the building and get to know where things are at.

Treasurer

- Guest Reception Tickets
 - o Available for staff.
 - o Sign-up after meeting today.
 - Cash, Check or Paypal
 - Email treasure@sakuracon.org.

Membership Comments:

- Feb 25-26: **Ghost in the Shell** (the original!) at Central Cinema (https://public.ticketbiscuit.com/CentralCinema/Events/327587)
- Studio Ghibli Fest continues! Fathom Events gives details at https://www.fathomevents.com/series/studio-ghibli-fest (Pon yo: March 25-26-28; The Cat Returns: April 22-23-25; Porco Rosso: May 20-21-23; Pom Poko: June 17-18-20; Princess Mononoke: July 22-23-25; Grave of the Fireflies: August 12-13-15;
- My Neighbor Totoro: September 30-October 1-3; Spirited Away: October 28-29-30; Castle in the Sky: November 18-19-20)

- March 3: Kumihimo Fiber Bracelet Class, https://www.eventbrite.com/e/kumihimo-fiber-bracelet-beginner s-tickets-43070998516?aff=es2
- March 10: Live-action musical Pretty Guardian Sailor Moon: Le Mouvement Final (CineLife, https://sailormoonlive.com/)
- March 11: Nadeshiko Salon with Live Music, https://www.eventbrite.com/e/nadeshiko-salon-with-live-music-registration-42740073711?aff=es2
- March 11: Sakiori Rag Weaving Class, https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sakiori-rag-weaving-class-tickets-42373480220?aff=es2
- March 14: Anime Free! Take Your Marks! (Funimation for theater info, https://www.funimationfilms.com/movie/free-take-your-marks/)
- March 26: Tempei Nakamura Concert, <u>https://www.eventbrite.com/e/tempei-nakamura-concert-in-seat tle-tickets-43254821335?aff=es2</u>
- April 20-22: **Seattle Cherry Blossom Festival** & Japanese Cultural Festival, http://www.cherryblossomfest.org/
- Early warning: SIFF's **Delta Dental Smile Power Film Series** (https://www.siff.net/year-round-cinema/film-series/the-smile-power-film-series) presents 3 Miyazaki works free at the Egyptian. *Kiki's Delivery Service* (Feb 24), *Whisper of the Heart* (June 30), and *Ponyo* (Nov 17).
- Yu-Gi-Ho Movie at AMC Sunday, March 11th.

Adjournment: 1:34pm