

General Meeting Notes

February 12, 2023



Attended:

- Tom Allmendinger
- Nate Mottle
- Annastasia Gallaher
- Ashley Labreck
- Sarah Roh
- Heather Chambers
- Ashley Motta (before meeting)
- Mitchell Bracket
- Dan Weiner
- Shane Rideout
- Brenton Maynard

Presiding Officer: Tom Allmendinger

Start Time: 1:01 p.m.

Announcements:

- Nate Mottle will be filling in for the role of vice-chair for the remainder of the year.
 - Nate introduces himself.
- Update on vaccination and mask policy for staff.
 - No 6 month time limit. Just need mainline series and one booster.

Operations

- First drawings for main stage are ready.
 - Waiting for riggers to approve it.
 - More details about main stage coming in the following week.
 - Any questions about main stage should go to operations@sakuracon.org
- Barry from IT:
 - Each department head will receive a google questionnaire for equipment needs.
- Jackson from AV:
 - Working on hiring; most staff are set. Layouts are being worked on.
- Diego from Logistics:
 - Emails will go out to managers to verify inventory. Working on shed days.
- Hiring in all department, specifically need staff for SAS.
 - Email operations@sakuracon.org ; sas@sakuracon.org

Programming

- Chris from programming admin manager:
 - Hiring a room support coordinator. Email prog.admin@sakuracon.org
- Mike Lee from gaming:
 - Floor plans are changing; things are in the works.

- Chase from Media programming:
 - AMV deadline is upcoming and judging is soon.
 - Karaoke contest closed;
 - 28th is deadline for opening ceremonies videos.
 - Scavenger Hunt will be in both buildings.
- Mychal from Live Programming: Panel submissions close Tuesday the 14th.
 - The Panels tab on the website has the application.
 - panels@sakuracon.org for questions or live.programming@sakuracon.org.
- Still hiring for Arts and Crafts. Cosplay chess submission are live.
- Dance host applications will open up closer to con.
- Hiring within Programming for multiple positions.
 - Email programming@sakuracon.org

Publicity

- The newsletter is being revived; first issue coming this week.
- Tabling at Chibi Chibi Con on Feb 25th.
- Ads upcoming in Otaku USA and Soy Source.
- Seattle Wushu group is returning among other cultural groups.
- Hiring within Publicity for multiple position.
 - Email: publicity@sakuracon.org

Membership

- Things are on-track.
- Art Show and Artist Alley are a focus currently.
- Registration is business as usual.
- Reminder to everyone to hire staff into CERVIS as soon as possible.
 - staff.registration@sakuracon.org for staff reg questions/issues.
 - Feb 21 is current deadline for pre-registered staff.
- Emails will be sent out to submit the comp badge list.
- Pre-reg to attendees will not be closed this year. Will transition to becoming an at-con reg system.
- Jeff from Art Show: Halfway through recruiting artists for the gallery.
- 18+ wristbands are still in effect. Wristbands can be re-issued.
- Hiring for multiple positions.
 - Email membership@sakuracon.org

Relations

- Guest announcements are continuing to roll out Fridays at noon.
- If anyone needs a breakout meeting with me, ping in the Relations Discord.
- Hiring in Exhibit Hall and Japanese Liaison
 - Email: relations@sakuracon.org

Treasurer

- No Report

Facilities

- Staff discount hotel link went out via Cervis for general staff.
- Coordinators and above should talk to their directors about booking their hotels separately. Default hotel is the Regency.
- Attendee hotel link is still live;
 - Opening the Hyatt Olive 8 and Regency for attendees this week.

Membership Comments:

- We do not mail our badges. It has also never been done.
- There is a hiring guide for Cervis that was sent out to directors.
- All badge pickup hours will be announced in March.
- Will there be a tour of the new building?
 - Tour dates are being set-up via Ops. There will also be two Thursday walkthroughs.
- Coordinators want a list of deadlines in a document.
- Available list of open staff positions is on the website.
- A new mobile app for scheduling/guidebook is coming.
 - Membership will send out the information on that.
- There is still a printed conbook.
 - There will still be a big printed schedule.
- The goal is to have two info booths across both buildings. (membership and ops)

Motion to adjourn by Barry

- Seconded

Adjournment: 1:44 p.m.