

General Meeting of Altonimbus Entertainment Membership
Saturday, October 23, 2010
Central Library
Portland, Oregon

Meeting called to order at 1:15 pm by the President, Beau Gentry.

At the opening of the meeting, 33 members were present out of 217 annual staff and the 5 founders. Forty-five (45) required for quorum. Quorum was not met.

Minutes

Minutes of the last annual meeting were approved as corrected.

Reports

The President, Beau Gentry, reported the Staff Recruitment Achievement is active again for 2011. Gentry is going to Aki Con next month and will do some ambassador stuff while he's there to see about starting a relationship.

The Vice President, Dawn Hewitt, reported her pleasure to return as Vice. Maid Squad is a valid staff position this year. She is also recruiting a CWE Manager to coordinate with colleges.

The Treasurer, Barb Hunt, reported that the Staff Benefits Manager position has been eliminated, and that role will be filled by her Assistant. The Winter Holiday party will be held on December 18 after the general meeting on that date.

The Secretary, Jo Ayers, reported the Member Services Office will be growing for 2011. She is actively recruiting an Assistant Secretary, a Web Interface Liaison, and a Member Services Manager. Job descriptions will be posted when the website rolls over, but you can inquire by email to secretary@kumoricon.org. Member Services Staff openings will also be open to volunteers, though volunteer registration is not open yet.

Director of Operations, TJ Stinson, reported Operations Office has been replaced by Logistics. Yojimbo Coordinators are being recruited. Con Suite is being expanded this year. Volunteer Manager is also sought.

Director of Publicity, Ally Fields, reported her excitement about the GameDay/MiniCon we are hosting with GameStorm. Setup starts at 8:00

am for opening at 9:00. Posters are available for distribution. Many terrific prizes will be offered at this event, including concert tickets and an OryCon attendance package. This department has several significant changes to its organization, and it will need many people who are excited to promote, promote, promote! See Ally Fields with any questions.

Director of Relations, Sarah Paige, reported Relations positions are largely the same with only a few name changes. Charity Auction Staff and Manager are being recruited at this time. She's also looking for Industry Coordinators. Many positions in this department require a letter of interest to apply, but don't let that scare you – just see Sarah Paige. There is a forum thread in the general area of the forums for guest suggestions.

Director of Programming, Jaki Hunt, reported that Creation Station is absorbed into the rest of panels. Many Manager positions are tentatively filled, but Coordinator positions are still open.

Facilities Liaison, Phillip Koop, reported the biggest change for next year: a move to two (2) hotels. He is recruiting multiple Assistants, Runners, and a Cartographer.

Unfinished Business

Resolution to amend the bylaws (see attached) was presented at the previous meeting by Jo Ayers. Michael Evans at that time moved to amend the resolution (see attached). The issue was taken from the table. Ten minutes of discussion was allowed. After discussion, the no vote was taken due to a lack of quorum and the issue was returned to the table.

New Business

No new business.

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Hewitt announced that at the last OryCon meeting they realized they have a great need for staff. They run very differently, but it can be a great experience. Debra Stansbury gave further details about Orycon, a general science fiction convention in the area.

The section from the Membership Policies (found on the back of the Annual Membership Registration) about representing Kumoricon was highlighted by Sarah Paige. In short, please don't. Gentry advised that, in the height of

enthusiasm, you should always refer people to the correct contacts, don't just say, "You should be _____ at con!" because that can be misinterpreted.

Ayers announced that 2010 Members (staff) who register for 2011 before their current membership expires may have their staff dues waived.

Gentry scolded himself for leaving Arturo Guzman and Christine Jones off the lists of volunteers acknowledged last meeting. He thanked everyone who helped with the work.

Austin Hart expressed his excitement at joining the organization.

Jasmine Merritt raved at the staff dues waiver.

Gentry announced the room will need to be cleared a little early (about 3:30 pm) to make space for an Executive Staff Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 1:49 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

K Jo Ayers
Secretary 2011

Attachments:

Resolution:

WHEREAS, it has been the custom for many years to hold the Annual Meeting and elections at the venue of the upcoming convention, and WHEREAS, the bylaws currently confine the location of Annual Meetings to Portland City Limits, and WHEREAS, the venue for the Kumoricon 2011 is located outside of Portland City Limits, i.e., in Vancouver, Washington, and WHEREAS, we would like to, in the future, return to the custom of hold the Annual Meeting and elections at the venue of the upcoming convention,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Article 10, Section B, Paragraph 11 (Article 10.B.11) of the Altonimbus Entertainment Bylaws be amended to read as follows:

Quote

11. The Board shall call an Annual Meeting of the Membership during each business year, to be held not less than 18 and not more than 90 days after the final day of the Kumoricon held during this business year and to take place within ~~the city limits of Portland, Oregon.~~ *the Portland/Vancouver Metro Area.*

Motion to amend the resolution:

(10.B.11)

TO (changed text is in bold, formatting not part of the amendment)

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11. The Board shall call an Annual Meeting of the Membership during each business year, to be held not less than 18 and not more than 90 days after the final day of the Kumoricon held during this business year and to take place **at a location that satisfies requirements listed elsewhere within these bylaws and is also capable of safely allowing at least one-half (50%) of the current voting membership to attend simultaneously which is also either** within **twenty miles of the venue scheduled for Kumoricon during the next business year or within 20 miles of** the city limits of Portland, Oregon.