

Kumoricon / Altonimbus Entertainment
General Meeting of the Membership on Feb. 12, 2012
Salem Public Library, Central Library
585 Liberty St SE, Salem, OR 97301

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:28pm by Beau.

At the opening of the meeting, 33 members were present out of 247 total. Quorum was not met (34 needed to reach quorum).

Reports

Beau Gentry, Chair

- For brand new staff, I run a quick orientation. Will start 10 or 15 minutes after breakouts have started.
- Next weekend, Oregon Asian Celebration in Eugene, OR at Lane County Events Center. Arts and crafts, and food. We bring video games, karaoke, cat ears, and more. If can attend, lots of fun. However, too late to take new volunteers. Many of our attendees go.
- Staff dogtags as staff perk, no cost to you. However, have a limited list, and once full, can't take anymore.

Brandon De Vore, Vice Chair

Not present.

Jeff Tyrrill, Secretary

- New online staff registration system is ready. Can login and see current staff list. All registrations received so far have been processed. If you haven't received a login via email, follow-up with us to ensure that we have your correct information on file.
- Working on a couple of other things that I'm not ready to announce yet.

Barbara Hunt, Treasurer

Not present.

Phillip Koop, Facilities Liaison

- Requests for proposals have gone out to potential 2013 venues.
- Online booking of rooms delayed, but should be up and running soon.
- Next general meeting will be in Beaverton, at the Community Center. Across from Beaverton Library, a couple blocks from a MAX stop, near transit center and Fred Meyer. Plenty of parking. Sunday, March 11, at 1pm.

TJ Stinson, Director of Operations

- All of my departments are still looking for staff.
- Working on new spiffy registration system.
- Wes Cox reported: Need a Load-In/Load-Out Coordinator.

Jaki Hunt, Director of Programming

- Panel forms are up. On website, and here at meeting.
- Cosplay skit signups are up. Form available here, and on website.
- Karaoke, Art Show, and other contest sign-up forms will be ready in a month or so.
- Guy Letourneau, AMV Coordinator reported:
 - Rules are posted.
 - AKROSS Con, the Russian online convention, finished 2011 winners.
 - animemusicvideos.org has Viewers' Choice Awards, voting will finish this weekend. I will be picking some of the top score winners to add to show.
 - Show will be first, then Contest. Not mixed.
 - As test run, have AMV wireless network here at meeting. Hope to have in secure location at con so people can download copies of the AMV Contest.
- Need staff for Video Gaming, Tabletop, and other areas.
- If interested in content, see me at breakouts.
- All slots full for Oregon Asian Celebration volunteers. Cosplay meetup on Saturday. Hopefully will have prizes. Taiko, Chinese dragons.
- Next month, will be at GameStorm, Mar. 22-25. Looking for volunteers for video gaming. Also taking LAN gaming there this year.

Ally Fields, Director of Publicity

Ally was not present, but submitted a written report, which the Secretary read:

- Mochitsuki was a big hit, we will be doing much more with the Japanese community this year because of it. If you have connections, or know someone who is involved with anything in the Japanese culture community in the Portland Metro (or anywhere in Oregon/SW Washington) please e-mail publicity@kumoricon.org so we can get some great events and cross promotions rolling.
- Publicity is looking for dedicated people willing to attend events (or those who are already planning to attend events) large and small in the area and in our genre (anime cons) to pass out fliers or put posters and fliers on advert tables at conventions. If you are planning a trip to a convention and want to chip in to make sure Kumoricon's name is out there, once again, e-mail publicity@kumoricon.org. Everyone is a part of the Promo Force and anyone can help us make Kumoricon great!
- And if you don't have a staff position, consider being a Merchandise Staff or Promo Force Team member. We could really use people who want to get out and talk about Kumoricon in these two areas!
- For those of you already ON the Publicity roster, mark your calendars for February 21st-23rd. We will be having a few different meet-ups that week and if you are available any

of those days, e-mail me and I will set up meet-ups and projects for the teams so we can get on stuff like advertising and contests.

- If you are interested in a Publicity Staff position, e-mail me your questions and I will get back to you ASAP with information. I am very available by e-mail!

Sarah Paige, Director of Relations

- Mochitsuki event was a huge success for Relations. Got good contacts with many Japanese cultural institutions, such as Ikebana society, tea ceremony society, and local kendo school. Looking to have those contacts pan out and add that cultural element back to Kumoricon.
- Relations is looking for staff. If interested in Relations department, but don't quite know what we do, please come talk to me. Specifically looking for Industry Liaisons, to whom I give authority to talk to specific industries on Kumoricon's behalf. Also Exhibitors Hall Staff, and Artists Alley Staff. Jen Cox is Artists Alley Manager, and she's looking for more help this year.
- Looking for ideas from you guys on local businesses who would be interested in partnering with Kumoricon. If know of related businesses in the area, please talk to me at breakouts, give me contact information, and I can talk to them.

Unfinished Business

No unfinished business.

New Business

No new business.

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Beau reported:

- One of other staff perks is buttons. The Staff Recruitment Specialist (SRS) button is given once for every two brand new staffers you recruit.
- Going to other conventions as staffers: Be aware that we have crossover staff, specifically with Sakura-Con. When go to other conventions, be aware that how you act at other conventions could end up reflecting on Kumoricon. Went to a convention and saw one of our staffers running around without shoes. Rule at just about every convention is shoes are required. Had to bust out "Go put on your shoes".

Quorum and Approval of Minutes

Additional members entered bringing the number present to 37, such that quorum was attained.

The minutes from the general meeting of the membership of Jan. 15 were approved without objection.

Rant and Rave

Michael Evans: Rave to Guy for AMV server. Have a MineCraft server and a thread about it in off-topic forum.

Guy: Did an AMV overnigher at different convention. At Friday before kicked off, Skyrim was released. 30 hours later, the Russians had an AMV from Skyrim footage. Looking for help to make category openers for AMV Contest.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:48pm by Beau.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Tyrrell, Secretary