

Kumoricon / Altonimbus Entertainment
General Meeting of the Membership on July 15, 2012
Woodmansee Park Shelter – 4629 Sunnyside Rd SE, Salem, OR 97302

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:31pm by Beau Gentry.

At the opening of the meeting, 40 members were present out of 190 total. Quorum was met. 29 needed to meet quorum.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the general meeting of the membership of June 10 were approved without objection.

Reports

Beau Gentry, Chair

- If ordered staff dogtags this year, you can get them at this meeting. The spots for free ones have been filled this year, but you can buy one for \$8 if you still really want one.
- If you're a brand new staffer and haven't done staff orientation, will do it at some point during this meeting.
- Staff recruitment specialist pins are available. One pin for every two brand new staff you recruit, with no limit.
- Staff registration deadline is first August meeting.
- At one of the August meetings, will have sign-ups for locker load-in (Thursday) and load-out (Tuesday).

TJ elaborated to report that load-in and load-out are now dedicated staff positions, which are positions that staff members can hold in addition to their primary positions.

Brandon De Vore, Vice Chair

- Maid Squad Staff almost full. Still signing up for this position.
- VIPs are almost sold out. Talk to me if have questions about the VIP program.

Jeff Tyrill, Secretary

- Assisting with staff registrations.
- Continuing to research corporate and legal things. Not ready to talk about these yet but will in the future.

Barbara Hunt, Treasurer

Not present. Jaki reported that we have money, are spending money, and have food at this meeting.

Phillip Koop, Facilities Liaison

Not present. Phillip submitted a written report which the Secretary read at the meeting, and is copied below (with formatting/proofing adjustments):

- Both hotels mostly full. Some rooms will open up as I process staff room requests. That should be around early August.
- Working on list of nearby alternate hotels. They should go up on the website by the end of the month.
- Updated staff room request instructions will go out at the end of the month. This will not affect staff who have already booked rooms and requested the staff rate.
- Any questions may be emailed to hotel@kumoricon.org.

TJ Stinson, Director of Operations

- Mostly good for staff, but are looking for more Registration, Yojimbo, Office, and Con Suite Staff. Office Staff handles communication at con. Con Suite Staff handles food at con.

Jaki Hunt, Director of Programming

- Programming deals with content.
- Still looking for staff. Specifically, Video Gaming, and Tabletop.
- Information is up on: Fan Art, Fanfic, Karaoke (and sign-ups), Cosplay, Cosplay Chess (and sign-ups), and Art Show.
- Will soon be posting dress code for the formal ball happening at Kumoricon.

Ally Fields, Director of Publicity

Not present. Ally submitted a written report which the Secretary read at the meeting, and is copied below (with formatting/proofing adjustments):

- Uwajimaya has been unreachable—most likely the matsuri will take place without us but we invite everyone to attend and show support!
- Publications are going to be under way fully within the next two weeks. Department heads may wish to direct their wishes for signs or publications to their directors.
- The Tualatin Crawfish Festival is another chance for cosplayers to come out and strut their stuff. Please sign up with our Facebook event, or email publicity@kumoricon.org to get involved.
- Social Media is almost up and running. Still working out the kinks but look for advertisements and shows on our channels soon.

Sarah Paige, Director of Relations

Not present. Sarah submitted a written report which the Secretary read at the meeting, and is copied below (with formatting/proofing adjustments):

- Contact and connections with industry continue to go strong. I'm excited to bring back a lot of contacts, both old and new, that we have been able to get out of all the hard work we've put in at Comic-Con this year. We'll be able to talk more about that at the next meeting so stay tuned. If you have any ideas for companies or local businesses that you would like to see at or involved in Kumoricon please email relations@kumoricon.org with your suggestions.
- Exhibitors Hall is completely full. If you have any questions or would like to be put on the waiting list, please email exhibitors@kumoricon.org.
- Submissions for Artists Alley are also closed. All artists have been notified as to whether or not they have been accepted. If you did not receive a message please email artists@kumoricon.org.
- We need your donations for the Charity Auction this year. If you have any anime, manga, or fandom related items that you would like to donate please bring them to a general meeting or email relations@kumoricon.org to talk with me if we need to figure out a time for you to drop something off otherwise. We'll be accepting donations all the way until the end of the convention, when the auction starts, but sooner is always better.

Unfinished Business

No unfinished business.

New Business

No new business.

Good of the Order

Beau reminded that that are two general meetings in August, one at the Red Lion and the other at the Hilton.

Beau said he is taking suggestions for things to be added to Opening or Closing Ceremonies.

Beau thanked Barb, Jaki, and Rob for preparing the food at the meeting, gave some reminders about food etiquette, and noted there were some food options for people with dietary restrictions.

Michael suggested that the boards of Kumoricon and Sakura-Con attempt to collaborate to avoid collisions for meeting dates.

In response to two questions asking about upcoming meetings, Beau confirmed that the August meetings are on August 5 and August 18, and that which is at which hotel has not been set yet.

Rant and Rave

A meeting participant reported that she hasn't been receiving help with converting a PDF document from our website to a different format. She also reported that she has donated things to the Charity Auction and has not received credit for them even though it was prior to the deadline to donate and receive credit.

Another meeting participant reported that she has not received a response to repeated inquiries about the Artists Alley or about being added to the waitlist.

Brandon thanked the registration team for their extensive work in the mail out of 400 badges yesterday.

Michael thanked the people making food at the meeting.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50pm by Beau.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Tyrill, Secretary