

Kumoricon / Altonimbus Entertainment
General Meeting of the Membership on March 10, 2018
DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Portland
1000 NE Multnomah St, Portland, OR 97232

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:17pm by Brian Mathews.

At the opening of the meeting, 29 members were present out of 639 total, with 51 needed to reach quorum. Quorum was not met.

Minutes

Minutes approval was skipped due to not having quorum.

Reports

Brian Mathews, Chair

- Helping other departments with tasks.

Ash Butler, Director of Infrastructure

- Hotel blocks are doing really well. If haven't gotten a room, do it ASAP.

Jessica Ulibarri, Director of Membership

- Registration is looking good. We have received over 500 pre-registrations, with 18 VIPs.
- VIP members pay more to attend an exclusive autograph session, get priority seating and entry to events, get a giant gift bag including our own merch, and get several extras that aren't available in other ways. VIP is the only way to guarantee autographs.
- Seeking staff:
 - Con Suite: Need two more coordinator positions. Need several general staff. Cook, serve, and work with people. Requires food handler card. \$10, open book test, very easy.
 - Cosplay Repair: Manager, Coordinators, and general staff. Experience creating cosplays, and designing costumes.
 - Member Services: Check staff in, hand out staff goodies.
 - Registration: Most positions are open. Coordinators, general staff, line staff. See all cosplays as people enter. Predictable shifts which generally stick to scheduled hours.
 - Specialty Membership: Checking in VIPs, exhibitors, artists, industry, guests, etc.

- Software for website development: Software development team is looking for staff.

Jason Pollard, Director of Operations

- Seeking staff:
 - Taking applications for Yojimbo Manager. Policy enforcement and customer service. Make sure cosplay and peace-bonding rules are being followed; line control for events.
 - Maid Squad: Hiring all staff except Manager. Primary line control. Help find seats for attendees in Main Events.
 - IT: Information Systems, LAN cables, computers in offices.
 - Dispatch: Communications in con. Operates radios; tracks incident reports as they occur.
 - ADA Manager and Coordinator: New department; will post a job description within a month and have more information at the next meeting. If interested, email to operations@kumoricon.org.

Jaki Hunt, Director of Programming

Devin Hunter, Assistant Director of Programming, reported:

- Seeking staff, mostly general level. Finalizing commitments for Manager- and Coordinator-levels. Email programming@kumoricon.org.
- Going to be at GameStorm with our gaming library. Email programming@kumoricon.org to help with that.
- We are caught up on emails for people asking for positions.

Samantha Rushford, Director of Publicity

Brian Mathews reported:

- Social media is going well. If have old photos, feel free to share them using #kumowayback.
- More plushies are ordered and on the way. Waiting on two other merchandise items.
- Email newsletter is coming soon. Will be really pretty and you should be excited.
- Press applications will open later this month. Watch social media for announcements.
- Website development: PHP, JavaScript, and other technologies.

Sam Taylor, Director of Relations

- Just opened up applications for Artist Alley, Exhibits Hall, and Small Press. Encourage your artist friends to look at Artist Alley and Small Press.
- In the process of getting industry and Partner Table applications open. We'd love to talk about partnership opportunities.
- Guest announcements: Last year's charity winner, Jād Saxton, has been announced. Played Kanna from Dragon Maid.
- Seeking staff:

- Maid Café applications are open. Also looking for butlers. Want to do an all-butler session. Crossplay is fine too, though butlers have a particular uniform.
- Autograph Staff: Changing how autographs are done.
- Exhibits Hall, Artist Alley, Small Press Staff: On the ground helping patrol for bootlegs; identify problems; if somebody spills a drink, etc.
- Guest and Industry Relations: Guest Manager; Industry Manager.

Jeff Tyrrell, Secretary

- Working on policies.
- Last year's staff membership term is about to end. Can register for 2018 staff online or at this meeting.

Rene Webb, Treasurer

- Tax season. Taxes are mostly what assistant and I are doing right now. It's a ways out from con so this is a pretty calm time for Treasury, other than taxes.
- Seeking staff: Load-In/Load-Out: Primarily before and after con, plus one other day. Commitment is based on days, not strictly hours. Bigger time commitment than many at-con positions, but you have time during con free.

Outreach

Brian reported:

- Outreach is super busy. Four booths, four weeks in a row, at Mochitsuki, Asian Celebration, Chibi Chibi Con, and MiyakoCon.
- Gearing up for Sakura-Con. The Kumoricon booth is super busy, and is seeking a lot of staff. Go to Kumoricon website, log in as staff, fill out the Outreach form, or email outreach@kumoricon.org.
- Looking for people to spread the word of Kumoricon.
- Booths are doing well. Getting more pre-registration and merchandise sales than last year.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

New Business

There was no new business.

Good of the Order

The Hollywood Theatre is showing around five Miyazaki movies in April, including Nausicaa, Totoro, and The Cat Returns.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:36 pm by Brian Mathews.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeff Tyrill, Secretary