

Kumoricon / Altonimbus Entertainment
General Meeting of the Membership on April 23, 2017
DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Portland
1000 NE Multnomah St, Portland, OR 97232

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:13pm by Phillip Koop.

At the opening of the meeting, 56 members were present out of 583 total, with 47 needed to reach quorum. Quorum was met.

Minutes

The minutes from the following meetings were approved with corrections as noted:

- March 18, 2017
- September 27, 2015 (corrected membership count)

Reports

Phillip Koop, Chair

- Complimentary room-nights for executives, managers, or coordinators cannot be guaranteed at this time. The board will re-evaluate in July.

Ash Butler, Director of Infrastructure

- The attendee rate is available for reservations in the Kumoricon attendee room block. The DoubleTree is the current affiliated hotel. More information to come.

Jessica Ulibarri, Director of Membership

- The current pre-registration total is 766.
 - About 1/3 of available VIP memberships have been sold.
 - Decent amount of memberships were sold at the most outreach events.
- VIP membership benefits include Kumoricon-branded merchandise, special autograph session, and priority seating at Main Events.
- Will be offering educational group discount for those under age 18—official details to be announced over the next month.
- Seeking staff:
 - Registration: Assistant Manager, several Coordinator positions
 - Cosplay Repair
 - Con Suite

- MSO (limited)

Jason Pollard, Director of Operations

- Most contracts signed—Radios, Internet are forthcoming.
- Hiring staff for:
 - IT
 - Dispatch (radio communications)
 - Yojimbo (customer service and policy enforcement)
 - Maid Squad (line management)

Jaki Hunt, Director of Programming

- Seeking staff:
 - Video Gaming
 - Panels
 - Content
- AMV Contest has been posted.
- More announcements are forthcoming. Cosplay Contest will be opening in approximately the next month.

Samantha Feldman, Director of Publicity

- Researching new merchandise items.
- Social Media and Website are running well. Many forms and announcements are coming out in the next month.
- Seeking staff, especially in:
 - Merchandise
 - Press Office
 - Info Booth

Sam Taylor, Director of Relations

- Latest guest announcements:
 - Kra—visual kei band from Japan—announced before Sakura-Con.
 - Josh and Jerry—announced Friday—voices of leads in Yuri!!! on ICE.
 - New guest announcement: Fighting Dreamers—one of the group members is Twin Fools, who is coming as part of that group.
- We received a giant donation from Tokyo Otaku Mode. Part of candy donation is available at this meeting.
- Artist Alley is going well.
- Will open Art Show applications in the coming weeks.
- Exhibits Hall is filling.
- Doernbecher will be recipient for Charity Auction. Raised almost \$4,000 last year.
- Seeing staff:
 - Charity
 - Art Show

- Exhibits Hall
- Qualified staff in Guest Relations and Industry Relations

Jeff Tyrrell, Secretary

- Looking for Archivist Coordinator, preferably someone who has been with the con for a while with a passion for organization.
- Revising staff manual; available in staff area, but not updated recently.

Rene Webb, Treasurer

- Filed taxes.
- Still settling some financial details from 2016.
- Seeking staff:
 - Load-In/Load-Out Staff have most of the convention free; work most of their hours before and after con.
 - Money counters—requires letter of recommendation.

Unfinished Business

No unfinished business.

New Business

No new business.

Good of the Order

Phillip asked the room to please take candy.

Jessica reported that leftover staff T-shirts from last year are available at the meeting.

Jason reported that there is a used book sale today at the DoubleTree, offering used graphic novels and other books of all genres, many for \$2 or less. Phillip added that it's an annual sale, with the proceeds supporting the Multnomah County Library. The last day is tomorrow, and the last day is 50% off.

Ash reported that Infrastructure has some open positions, and asked those interested in learning about hotels or venues to contact infrastructure@kumoricon.org.

Phillip asked for staff with questions about staff rooms or announcements about room availability to talk to him or Ash.

Sam gave an Outreach report:

- There were a couple of outreach events recently:
 - Sakura-Con and BetaCon were the most notable.
 - BetaCon is a first-year convention.
 - Got a lot of interest from people who didn't know us.

- Lot of interest at Sakura-Con.
- Looking for more Outreach staff.
- Next event coming up is Free Comic Book Day—Beaverton City Library. It is more of a family-type event.

K.C. reported that the Hollywood Theatre is showing the Yu-Gi-Oh movie next month.

Phillip reported that Your Name is still playing in theaters.

Rene reported that we are looking at new storage spaces, and that we have a really good potential space that will fit not just our current needs but anticipated future needs. It is located in the southeast area.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:38 pm by Phillip Koop.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeff Tyrrill, Secretary