

Electronic meeting was opened around 6:30pm, but formally began at 7pm.  
Action items for next time indicated by [\*\*]

Attendees: Linnea - co-chair, Patty - volunteering, Rick - secretary, Howitzer - info desk, Anna - GoH liaison, Rachel - programming, John - treasurer, Laura Ross - programming, Ed Beacher - registration, Ruth S, Monika

co-chair Dan out sick.

Linnea opened the meeting announcing that a few key positions have been filled. John Lorentz will be our treasurer. Ann Ezell will be head of exhibits.

[\*\*] Howitzer asked if the freebie table would fall under Ann as an "exhibit". Maybe. Ann/chairs to offer an opinion.

Sean Wells is not heading up Hotel, but agrees to help monitor the room block for the eventual Hotel lead. Rick asked if we have a list of hotel issues/faults/fails from O41 - the answer is no, not yet. It was noted that hotel is typically squeezed by the sheer volume of work to do at both ends of the convention - one reason to try to break off some duties like room block monitoring this year.

With the addition of a treasurer, the Board formally accepted the O42 bid. Congratulations, us.

Rick suggested a gentle nudge at board meeting about finishing O41 - budget, hotel problems, security reports all would be useful for O42. Linnea said she would. [Subsequently, some information did come out at the Board meeting, but there may still be more forthcoming. More details at the next meeting.]

Previous action items were reviewed:

[\*\*] photo policy review? not yet

[\*\*] photographers from the past? not yet

Anna remarked that both Mana and JD did photography last year, but said JD has said he would rather do security.

Patty + Linda - said they could write short descriptions of "things" to help people transitioning in. This could involve some specific jobs but would also include ways to make new people feel welcomed and bring them up to speed on things "everybody knows". [No specific action item came from this, yet.]

[\*\*] Linnea said we continue to need more staff and outlined the top three positions she'd like to fill by the next meeting: hotel, PR, and personnel mgr.

Patty said if one or more suitable candidates could be found she'd be willing to train hotel.

There was a discussion about running parties. There is no party maven chosen yet, but it was agreed that parties of all type help make the convention more fun and also tend to congregate a fair number of people in one section of the hotel in the evening. That too is a benefit from a security/watch standpoint.

[\*\*] Dan and Rick to contact Ben Yalow.

Someone - not Marc W - suggested that Marc W might be able to help with sound boards for film.

John reported a very rudimentary budget was being put together and something more concrete should be available by the next meeting. Patty remarked that having John train someone would be good - nobody dissented but we need to find those one or two suitable volunteers.

There was a discussion on volunteer hours. 16 hrs of volunteer time for a free membership seemed high, but there was no explicit action taken to lower it. It was acknowledged that setup is one of the hardest times to get volunteers so as an incentive, 4 hours of volunteering during setup will count as 8 hours of volunteer time for these purposes.

Patty suggested that dept heads provide two-sentence discussions for each volunteer they need; it would make it easier for the volunteer coordinator to solicit specific people to fill them.

Rachel [programming] said she needs 4 or 5 people to count heads 10 min after each panel starts.

iLinnea announced she has a graphic artist in mind, and if you have input for a new Orycon logo, contact her.

Howitzer [info desk] asked if the renovations were done? Could we have a walk thru? how many meetings do we have available to us?

[\*\*] Linnea to investigate.

To that end, patty & sean said they would contact hotel about a walkthru.

Next meeting at Barbur Blvd Round Table, Mar 6 at 1pm.