

Attendees: Rick [sec], Linnea [co-chair], Ed Beecher (sloweddi) [reg], Rachel [prog], Dan R [co-chair], Coyote [reg]

Meeting began at 1:05pm.

We have two main problem areas: programming and registration. With programming, the problem has been that lack of database access has delayed sending out invites, which means the entire chain of actions for programming is delayed. With registration, the problem has been in getting responses from our current head of registration.

Registration – we have info from website information, but other forms of information (such as those bought at-con last year) are unavailable. We have asked our quartermaster if the carbon copies of those transactions are present in the storage unit, but we've also had no response from her. Holly asked: so we don't have email addresses for all of our attendees? The reply was, no, those are supposedly in the hands of our registrar. John corrected that and said we do have email addresses for the web-registered people, but no others. A theory was floated that Scott Sanford may have been helping with registration, and may have additional ideas on how to acquire email information. *[Rick checked with Scott after the meeting and he regretfully replied he has not worked on registration for a number of years.]*

Programming – The access problems mentioned at the last meeting have been resolved. Both Lee and Rick (as a backup) received access, but then Lee had to withdraw due to RLB (real life busy). For the rest of OR-eCon, Rick will serve as the technical arm. The technical arm for next year for the full O42 is TBD. A strategy was discussed where the panels would be “checkerboarded” to allow a great distance between events in the same virtual room, to avoid problems with discussions or panels bleeding over into the next. Holly asked how many moderators do we need, and what skills should they have? Since that will depend to some extent on the number of panels, and that's indeterminate yet, there was no satisfying answer. Rachel said she needs track leads. Ed suggested Chris Garcia as a panelist.

Holly started to report on some progress on selecting a logo, but Linnea told her we have been relying on artist GoHs for artwork each year. We do still need a generic Orycon logo for use at other conventions and paperwork and the like, however, and she had been consulting with a graphic artist but that has fallen idle. She will follow up. Holly pointed out that whether it is generic or con-specific, she needs it no sooner than 20 days before con, with sooner being better. She understands that PR will be minimal this year due to circumstance but would like some guidance on how best to publicize this virtual con.

Coyote related her experiences on registration (with regards to where registration information may be currently resident.)

Linnea offered that she may be unavailable on Friday of OR-eCon due to a looming work-related conflict. This is not yet certain.

Holly suggested it might be a good idea to have a practice zoom session before the con to allow people to acquire equipment or session management knowledge. Many agreed.

Ed mentioned Morgan Hazelwood is a good resource for Zoom training.

The meeting adjourned at 3:03pm.