

Attendees: Rick Lindsley [secretary/treasurer], Linnea Thompson [co-chair], Daniel Reitman [co-chair], Joyce Zimmerscheid [Sue Petrey + Green Room], Howitzer [info desk 2nd], Alan Olsen [video], Aaron Curtis [OSFCI hotel], Ed Beecher [reg worker], Scott Huber [dealers], Rachel Robinson [programming], Seanara Coyote [reg], Don Anderson [programming – tesla], Shane Sauby [free spirit], Debra Stansbury [hotel], Rose Jacobs [webmaster]

Meeting began at 7:04pm.

Linnea directed attention to her reduced capacity planning charts. Depending on spacing requirements, we could be looking at a perfectly normal con, or a con limited to half the usual attendees or less if guidance has each person with 35 sq ft of space. That would render some suites unusable for programming.

Scott Huber offered that dealer's space would be the same regardless – by virtue of having 10'x10' booths, social distancing is already in place. Any limiting would be of the number of customers, not the placement of the dealers.

Art show is also largely already spaced out.

The only question is – would ballroom space be needed for programming due to unavailability of suites?

For planning purposes it was decided to plan for a full con, for now. Glisan (hospitality) and the ballroom would not be assigned to programming. Other rooms/uses are left tentatively decided for now, but the basic plan would look much like O41. If we need to give people more space, some rooms may become pointless.

One big unknown is what space looks like to us in the remodeled restaurant/bar. That may have to wait until the first hotel tour (which, it was pointed out, need not be hotel guided were somebody to get ambitious and just wander out there.)

It was agreed that planning a hybrid convention (both virtual and actual panels) takes at least twice the volunteers, making it immediately unattractive.

#### Department reports

**Hotel** - Debra reported that the hotel has a 2GB Internet capacity – streaming takes 2-10Mb per stream, so allowing for other traffic, there could be 6-8 concurrent streams. Setups, cameras, and microphones would be extra, meaning actual podcasts may be prohibitively expensive. The payment to the hotel alone would be \$6300/stream for 3 days, but there volume discounts can probably be negotiated. Although equipment is not necessarily included that too might be negotiable with larger volumes. An unfortunate fact is that rooms setup for streaming are fixed – that means streaming presentations must take place in a small number of rooms.

Debra said she'd see about getting an earlier, special exhibits-hotel-programming walkthru earlier than currently planned.

**Programming** – Rachel reported that it is unclear on whether there will be children's programming. She said she needs more track leads, and Rick offered to contact old volunteers to see if any were interested in participating. No invites have gone out yet. There was a brief discussion on whether door guards would be present to enforce room limits. That might be

needed, but the number would make last year's efforts to acquire zoom monitors look like a picnic. One per panel could easily put the number at a couple hundred for the entire convention.

**PR** – Holly reported the Foglio's (art GoH) have not been responding to emails – Holly is using alternate art for now. Three mockups were presented and discussed.

**Video** - Alan mentioned that he needed suggestions for video that would fit within our theme. Never too early to begin collecting and assembling videos.

**Web** - Rose is awaiting input from departments to put up on the web page.

**Personnel** – Some changes were announced. Rick is switching from Secretary to Treasurer, leaving an opening at Secretary. However, several other key positions remain open: Vice Chair, Registration, Filk, Director of Personnel (to help with this very task!), Volunteer Coordinator, Publications, and Ops (particularly Logistics). Descriptions were provided to Holly, who will review them and pass them on to Rose.

Breakout discussions centered on the use of the new rooms resulting from the remodeling of the restaurant. Calling them 'A' and 'B', it was judged Filk might find 'A' to be a suitable location, since it is away from other function space and may be securable.

A quick question regarding publishing an online schedule was deferred. Sched.org has been used in the past but other suggestions have been made, and no decision is needed right now.

The meeting adjourned at 9:02pm.