

March 27, 2022, 5:30pm

Present: Carly, Dan, Jon, Dennis, Lia, Jered, Kendra, Pete

Absent: Julia

Guests:

Agenda:

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Topics to cover

Firefly 2022

- FestCom - Carly & Dennis(?)
 - Concerns over current FestCom capacity
 - Things moving in a more positive direction with FestCom but still struggling to get off the ground
 - Firefly event operations are behind schedule
 - Disconnect between available volunteer interest and current lead organizers
 - Need some help from Board on getting a critical mass for Firefly
 - Missy probably only event lead returning; needs more support from Board
 - 2022 Cluster & Core Leads [link removed]
 - Safety Co-Lead requested
 - Infrastructure/DPW
- Town Hall / All Hands 4/10
 - Church?
 - School?
 - Armory works
 - Church in Somerville with drag queen in residence

- Church of Modern Renaissance?
- Museum of Industry
- Terry's Somerville Open Studios / Assembly connections
- Event Lead
 - Todd? - Try to talk to him this week
- Budget
 - According to our previous operations, FestCom needs to get Board a budget.
 - Need this to set target ticket price
 - Julia has been maintaining actual budget records in bookkeeping software
 - Dan will try to put together discussion budget scenarios soon
 - Art grants close 17 april, get budget estimate before then
- Event Size Considerations
 - Do we have John's land?
 - Sage has reached out and not heard back yet
 - Take brownies to John McClean? - Carly
 - End-of-meeting update: yes we do! Frank got in touch.
- Ticketing - Dan
 - Pricing / donation request
 - Discretionary ticket policy
 - Dan to Summarize
 - Info from FF19
 - When is the ticketing registration opening?
 - Usually 4/1, usually 2 weeks for registration
 - Need to figure out event size and parking before registration. Hopefully get this ironed out in the next 2 weeks
 - When is the lottery running?
 - 4/17 to open?
 - How many tickets are we selling?
 - Currently undecided by FestCom
- COVID-19 Policy
 - Research on other events [link removed]
 - Survey Results [link removed]
 - Gate Policy
 - At-Event Policy
 - Messaging Considerations (dan, lia, pete, jered, dennis) to draft policy, recommendations, announcement text
 - Board straw polls
 - Temperature checks – consensus these are not valuable, not considered further
 - 1 - Vaccine and booster (test accepted for medical exemptions)
 - Y/N/A 5/1/2
 - 2 - Vaccine or test (up to participant to choose)
 - Y/N/A 6/1/1
 - 3 - PCR test required

- Y/N/A 3/5/0
 - 4 - Fully vaccinated (by current standards, no booster) (test accepted for medical exemptions)
 - Y/N/A 3/1/4
 - 5 - Fully vaccinated and tested
 - Y/N/A 1/5/2
 - Expanding on 1 and 2
 - Another option: PCR to enter and test-to-stay program for unvaccinated participants (rapid test in front of Encore every day, you provide the tests)
 - 36/48/72 hours window for PCR to enter (TBD)
 - Recommend (but not require) a rapid test for all participants before leaving to head to the event
 - Consensus! (8/0/0)
 - Side note: wonder if BioBot does event testing, we could ask them if they have done it or if they want to do a prototype run at Firefly
- Deposit to Kirk
 - Who is doing this?
 - Needs to happen soon
 - Julia Sapashnik usually does this. We could issue a check for 40% of typical event size and size the second check accordingly if event size changes
- Event insurance - Jered/Jon
 - Jered should have an update next week
 - Reports from Interbecs of other successful event insurances

Previous action items

- ~~Lia to reach out to Iva about DPW interest~~
 - Done, Iva is on board
- ~~Pete to work with Missy on a description of event lead for posting to email/FB~~

Action Items

- ~~Dan to send out existing discretionary ticketing policy~~
- ~~Lia will have her partner reach out to Dan about possibly being a Ticketing co-lead. Jered will help more but can't commit to being a co-lead.~~
- Everyone: Help push forward event size and parking considerations (critical path includes Safety co-lead)
- Committee to draft language of COVID-19 safety policy, recommendations, and announcement communications
 - Dan, Lia, Pete, Jered, Dennis
- ~~Lia to ask Missy to CC board@ for festcomm meeting notices~~

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