

**VISUAL EFFECTS SOCIETY – VANCOUVER CHAPTER**  
**Board of Directors Meeting, June 26<sup>th</sup> 2018**

**Held at Sony Imageworks, 725 Granville Street, Vancouver**

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**Present from the Board :** Shauna Bryan, Sue Rowe, Steve Garrad, Mat Krentz, Kerry Corlett, Dennis Hoffman, Anuj Patil and Gayle Munro

**Present from VES Head Office :** Callie Miller

**Volunteers :** Carly Cook

**Apologies:** Chris Downs, Marta Mintenko

**OUTSTANDING ACTION POINTS FROM MEETING, 04/17:**

**Steve**

- Send Carly full list of retroactive films to put in for requests. Would like to do one more this year with more promotion.

**Carly**

- Put in request for retroactive screenings once Steve sends list – awaiting receipt of list.

**OUTSTANDING ACTION POINTS FROM MEETING, 5/30:**

**Steve**

- Talk to IE about using their theatre, need to chase up paperwork.
- Continue to explore screening options.

**Sue**

- Create a how to host a Q&A screening document and share with the group. Gayle to work with Sue.

**NEW ACTION POINTS FROM MEETING, 6/26:**

**ALL**

VR/AR association re having a conference in Vancouver on Sept 21-27<sup>th</sup>. May be a possibility of having a VES member present, send any names to Callie.

**Gayle**

Send Anuj info on The Permanent.

Check with Mahony and Sons on any restrictions for banner sizes for Siggraph.

Talk to Mahony and Sons about the set up and confirm maximum capacity.

**Carly**

Find out from Ben whether a Q&A for Antman and the Wasp is compulsory.

See if Sony can piggyback on the HT3 screening as a cast and crew screening.

Ask Ben if Equalizer 2 screening could be on August 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Shauna and Kerry to talk to Nancy re sponsorship in general. Carly to schedule.

**Steve**

See if IE theatre is available for a July 25<sup>th</sup> Skyscraper screening

**Sue**

Research generic banner/backdrop for events – Sue to contact Jeff Casper to ensure they meet the VES requirements.

Email Fred Chapman to see if there are any updated re health benefits.

Send list of current VES members to Mat.

**Callie**

Find out what kind of attendance the previous Vancouver Siggraphy Party had.

**Anuj**

Submit application for Regional Awards Celebration by August 1<sup>st</sup> with a draft ready for the sub-committee meeting on July 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Shauna**

Provide Steve with contact info for Habib from Digital Monarch.

**Marta**

Send Callie Miller our bank account log in details.

**1. Call Meeting to Order**

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- Shauna called the meeting to order at 6.30pm

**2. Outstanding Action Points**

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- Please see above

**3. Treasurer's Report**

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- Marta was not present, so tabling this.
- Shauna thinks we have around \$13k in the bank currently.
- We have the first half of this year's stipend already.

**4. Screenings**

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**July screenings**

- Antman and the Wasp – global Q&A 7<sup>th</sup> or 14<sup>th</sup>. Saturday at 5pm PST at Capilano. Find out from Ben whether Q&A is compulsory. Carly to find out if we can and also see whether we can do a different day or time.
- Hotel Transylvania 3 – At Sony. Could potentially do a Q&A. Could Sony piggyback with a cast and crew screening? Carly investigating.
- Skyscraper – July 25 for VES Steve to talk to IE about screening there.
- Equalizer 2 – Ben trying to get for week of July 25<sup>th</sup> Carly asking for August 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Mission Impossible – Global Q&A hopefully, August 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup>.

## 5. Social Events

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- **JUNE PUB NIGHT**
  - Event at Craft went really well with a great turnout, at the peak around 70 people were there and an estimated 100 with turnover.
  - Will use this venue again in September, they have agreed to waive the \$3k plus tax and tips normal minimum spend.
  
- **JULY PUB NIGHT**
  - Move to September instead with Method as the sponsor.. 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> weeks of September.
  
- **SIGGRAPH**
  - Sponsorship from Sohonet and Teradici at US\$5k each is confirmed, plus the US\$5k from Head Office, totalling approx. CA\$19k.
  - Sohonet and Teradici would need to have a same sized banner.
  - Sue is researching for the banners.
  - Check on maximum dimensions with the venue.
  - Check on expected numbers for capacity.
  - VES members plus one.
  - Callie getting an idea of numbers that have historically attended.
  - Global eBlast can be sent, send to Ben full info cc'ing Callie and they will take care of this, reaching approximately 3,000 members. Marta and Mat were on the board at the last Siggraph event.
  - Budget approved and event to proceed- Shauna put motion forward and was seconded by Mat. Carried unanimously.
  
- **CHRISTMAS PARTY**
  - With everything that is going on with other unique events to allow resources and finances to be applied to something else.
  - Carried unanimously.
  
- **REGIONAL AWARDS CELEBRATION**
  - Needs to happen in the first two weeks of March 2019.. Academy Awards is February 24<sup>th</sup>.
  - Actual event is February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019.
  - Anuj will be point person.
  - Needs to be submitted to headquarters by August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018.
  - Proposal and infrastructure of team implementing plus sponsorship needs to be included.
  - Will also need a dedicated committee and will be working with HQ very closely if selected.
  - Also need to include 2 x honorees, local VFX heroes.
  - Exec committee will determine which chapters will be selected to host this event.
  - Sub committee : Anuj, Mat, Kerry (for sponsorship), Marshall and Chris.
  - Also look at volunteers to assist. Addie and Carly would be interested.
  - Sub committee to meet on July 16<sup>th</sup>.
  - Budget of \$30k.

- **DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION**

Shauna update:

- As part of education programme the board would like to proceed with this.
- Shauna has reached out to WIA but is yet to hear back.
- Should also talk to WIFT and film schools and high schools.
- "If you see it, you can be it" type theme.
- If we did this event there is a chance that Victoria Alonso would come up and contribute to the event.
- Get local Directors, Production Designers, etc involved.
- Sohonet would contribute \$1-2k, aim to get to \$5k sponsorship.
- Should budget for 1 x key note speaker from out of Vancouver.
- Charge a minimal \$5-\$10 to ensure that people RSVPing are actually intending to how up?. Up for discussion.
- Talking about October/November this year.
- Technically this falls under education.
- Shauna, Sue, Marshall, Dennis, Steve, Anuj and Gayle to meet after this meeting to focus specifically on this and set up a sub committee with Sue as point person.. Set meeting for 7/12 - CARLY
- Moderator will be very important for this event.
- Also talk to people like Emily Carr and SFU about being involved.
- Reach out to Christina Drahos.

## **6. Education**

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- See the diversity and inclusion event for November.
- Event with Habib from Digital Monarch on real time rendering could be a potential night, aim for October. Shauna to provide Steve with Habib's contact details.

## **7. Health Benefits**

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- Nothing new to report.
- Sue to email Fred and see if there's any updates.

## **8. Sponsorship**

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- Sohonet and Teradici interested also in an annual sponsorship, both on a Vancouver regional and head office sponsorship level.
- Sohonet likely to be US\$10k, Shauna to talk to Teradici as well.
- Need a proposal for annual sponsorship detailing levels of contribution.
- Kerry has some companies in mind he will reach out to.
- Also a sponsor that Nancy had flagged for Siggraph that could be used elsewhere instead.
- Send all events requiring sponsorship to Nancy so that she can advise whether she might have interested parties.
- Shauna and Kerry to talk to Nancy re sponsorship in general. Carly to schedule.

## **9. Membership**

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- 13 new members in last cycle.
- Sue to send out names of current members to Mat.
- Vancouver is now in excess of 200 members.

- Associate membership no longer a thing!
- Check with Marta on sign up sheet from the History of VFX event.
- All event should have sign up sheets, and these should be forwarded to Mat so he can reach out to them.
- Anuj to take care of LinkedIn for social media..
- Naomi Goldman at HQ can also help with this: [ngoldman77@gmail.com](mailto:ngoldman77@gmail.com) Sue will reach out to her.

## **10. New Business**

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Callie :

- Ensure we save receipts, even if it's just a photo of the receipt.
- Contracts for any events, PJ needs to approve before they are signed.. At least 2 weeks before the event.
- Banner logos need to be correct, Jeff Casper can help.. Sue will contact Jeff.
- Don't give out emails to any sponsors.
- Social Media – HQ needs to have all log ins for social media accounts so they have access. Sue will send to Callie.
- Bank account log in is also required – Marta to send to Callie.
- VR/AR association re having a conference in Vancouver on Sept 21-27<sup>th</sup>. May be a possibility of having a VES member present, send names to Callie. Ollie Rankin would be a good option, but may not be a VES member.

## **11. Next Meeting Date**

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- July 24<sup>th</sup> 2018 at 6.30pm at Sony.