

VISUAL EFFECTS SOCIETY – VANCOUVER SECTION
Board of Directors Meeting, July 24th 2018

Held at Sony Imageworks, 725 Granville Street, Vancouver

Present from the Board : Shauna Bryan, Steve Garrad, Kerry Corlett, Dennis Hoffman, Anuj Patil, Marshall Krasser

Volunteers : Carly Cook

Apologies: Gayle Munro, Marta Mintenko, Sue Rowe, Mat Krentz

OUTSTANDING ACTION POINTS FROM MEETING, 4/17:

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:

ALL

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

Anuj

- Submit application for Regional Awards Celebration by August 1st

OUTSTANDING ACTION POINTS FROM MEETING, 6/26:

Sue

- Email Fred Chapman to see if there are any updated re health benefits.
- Send list of current VES members to Mat.

Anuj

- Submit application for Regional Awards Celebration by August 1st

Shauna

- Provide Steve with contact info for Habib from Digital Monarch.

NEW ACTION POINTS FROM MEETING, 7/24:

Shauna

- Find out what kind of attendance the previous Vancouver Siggraph Party had from Callie and/or Gayle

Anuj

- Look into and generate QR codes for check in at SIGGRAPH party
- Create proposal for hosting Regional Awards Gala at Grouse Mountain
- Send application and notes to Shauna & Carly for input and assistance
- Look into 3 other event planners

Marta

- Send Treasurer's report to Board via email
- Make payment to SIGGRAPH venue to lock down booking

Carly

- Set up SIGGRAPH committee meeting next week
- Reach out to RSVPs and send local eblast to cancel *Equilizer 2* screening
- Respond to Ben with August screening availabilities
- Send date options to Board via email for next meeting

Kerry

- Send photographer suggestions for SIGGRAPH to Gayle and Board

Sue

- Send eBlast for SIGGRAPH mixer

Steve

- Float honoree idea past Chris Harvey

1. Call Meeting to Order

- Shauna called the meeting to order at 6:35pm

2. Outstanding Action Points

- Please see above

3. Treasurer's Report

- Marta was not present, requesting that she sends her report via email to the group

4. Social Events

SIGGRAPH

- August 13th, 4-8pm at Mahony and Sons on Burrard Landing is confirmed and food & beverage order has been placed
- Venue requires payment of food to lock down the booking – Gayle emailed Sahara at Mahony and cc'd Marta to get this payment made
- Kerry to send suggestions of photographers to Gayle and Board
- Sue is taking care of the banner and backdrop for the photo area and is working with Ben on this
- Event is in the calendar on the website, but an eBlast needs to go out
- Will there be a check in table? Answer is yes, sponsors would like a metric of how many people attend the event
- Will need a space for sponsors to put swag and contact info
- Decision made to have people rotate the check in table in shifts – call for volunteers
- Anuj to look into and generate QR codes for a digital check in
- Do we need volunteers for anything else?
- Carly to set up committee meeting next week
- Sue looking to get a branded flag for the event that will be stations outside of the building

PUB NIGHT

- Next one is September 19th at Craft in Olympic Village with Method Studios sponsoring

REGIONAL AWARDS

- Committee met two weeks ago
- Anuj met with a potential event planner (Hasti) who said that our 35K budget wouldn't cover what we want/need. She provided three other event planning options that Anuj will look into
- Another option would be to find an individual to help with the planning that won't cost as much as an event planner
- The flow of the event will be less formal than LA (i.e. not sit down), but not casual. Cocktail & Buffet set up celebrating Vancouver itself. We will grow the event based on this first year's run
- Would like to get a comedian as part of the high-profile presence. Gavin Matts would be a good opening act or at least be involved in some way. He might be able to introduce us to other comedians as well
- Looking at other, less expensive venues to fit within our budget:
 - Grouse Mountain (top choice) – Anuj to look into and generate proposal for Board
 - Queen E. Park
 - Green College
 - Imperial if not too casual
- We should play clips that were played at the VES Awards, but focus on Vancouver. Sohonet is interested in helping us with the tech aspect of that
- Suggestion to have names of people who were credited but didn't make the ballot to have their names on loop on a screen throughout the evening
- Honoree: Neil – Steve will float the idea past Chris Harvey (Chris would also be a good option)
- Anuj to send application with notes to Shauna and Carly

D&I EVENT

- Marta would like to be added to the committee
- There was a sub-committee meeting – looking to dip into the post-secondary spectrum
- Focus will be on women
- Looking to get a keynote speaker to discuss what the barriers are that have been brought up
- Event will be late October-early November

5. Screenings

- Screening at Image Engine to be cancelled due to technical difficulties
- Carly will reach out to RSVPs and send an eBlast to let attendees know
- Carly to send Ben availabilities for August screenings
- We will host the upcoming screenings at Sony until we receive the go ahead from Image Engine and DNeg

6. Education

- Next is the D&I event which will pick up after SIGGRAPH

7. Membership

- Nothing new to report.

8. Sponsorship

- Kerry working on seeing if we can set up multi-year sponsorships
- Will run it past the group if it comes together before SIGGRAPH

9. Health Benefits

- Nothing new to report

10. New Business

- No new business

11. Next Meeting Date

- Carly to email Board with date options (Aug 21, 22, 28, 29)

Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm