

TGA Tournament Structure – Who’s In Charge Here ? 2017

The TGA runs three major tournaments each year - Origins, Gen Con, and Railcon - and sanctions others. This document explains how the Train Gamers Association works, who is in charge of things, and who to see with suggestions, comments, and complaints. The TGA is a non-profit organization overseen by a Board of Directors, and the Board has established this structure to run its tournaments:

MAJOR TOURNAMENT SENIOR LEADERSHIP (Senior Tournament Directors):

Trella Bromley is the Tournament Operations Director for major tournaments, assisted by Jeff Jackson. Trella has full responsibility for establishing and running those tournaments.

Jeff Jackson is the Tournament Systems Director, assisted by Trella Bromley. He is responsible for establishing the systems and rules by which each tournament and game is organized and played.

Trella and Jeff act as each other’s backups in these roles, and work together to coordinate efforts covering all aspects of the TGA’s operation of its major tournaments.

CONVENTION LEADERSHIP (Head Conductors):

Each tournament has a Head Conductor, appointed annually and overseen by the Senior Tournament Directors. Head Conductors have autonomy as to logistics and management of their conventions, within guidelines established by the Tournament Systems and Rules Committees. 2016 Head Conductors are:

Origins – **Trella Bromley**

Gen Con – **Bart Pizarik**

Railcon – **Jeff Jackson**

CONDUCTORS AND VOLUNTEERS

At any point in time there will be a designated Conductor on Duty, plus other Volunteers helping to run the tournament. **Justin Moul** coordinates and schedules Volunteers and Conductors for Origins and Gen Con in advance of the tournaments. At the conventions all volunteers work under the direction of the convention Head Conductor(s), supported by the Senior Tournament Directors.

QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, SUGGESTIONS, CONCERNS ?

For any issue regarding a game in progress, you can speak to the Conductor on Duty. If you do not know who that is, ask any Volunteer to help you find out. If the issue cannot be resolved by the Conductor on Duty, it can be escalated to the Head Conductor(s) or to a Senior Director if necessary.

For issues regarding the convention rules or organization, please talk to Trella or Jeff. If you wish to volunteer to help (thanks!), please talk to Justin or a Senior Tournament Director.