

WACYCAA Advisory Council Meeting April 24th 11am

Council Members Present: Meredith W., Matt H., Notah C., Chris O., Frank B., Mary L., Jim W., Josie A., Jen R., Mike S., Roni F.

Not Present: Beth T., Michael J., Andy B.

-Meeting opened at 11am with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

-Minutes from Portland meeting read, accepted with the changes noted.

-Acknowledged birthdays: Jen with 5 yrs, Jim with 13 yrs. -Congratulations!!!

REPORTS:

-Meredith (Chair): Agenda was sent out prior to mtg, no copies available. Time frame for agenda sent was ok. Agenda reviewed/ discussed, additions made.

-Matt (Co-Chair): Assisted host committee with securing a hotel contract, had dialog with NM, updated the Web site. Discussed lack of communication from host committee re: current info. Hispanic text updated by Chris. Discussed Mexico outreach. Little has been done with the delegates.

-Roni (Secretary): Updated Bid Req, FAP, By-Laws, Council List. Info re: NM Bid and event. Council list passed around to be updated.

-Meredith : (Addition to Report): WAC Listbot List reserved for Council and Host Committee member use only (Do not give out). Council has no requirements re: dates for conference.

-Mike (Treasurer): Financial report copies passed of current and previous report. He has not received the WAC II donation yet. Liability Ins. Paid for, no correspondence received- still being processed. (Check WAS cashed). Ins. Info: \$500/yr for 2 years, with 1 million liability limit. Not sure if this limit is per year or per occurrence. Talked to Scott from NM re: bid. Treasurer Report accepted.

Mary (Archivist): Sheet protectors and binders bought. Needs AZ WAC I info from AZ Host Committee.

Josie (Mailing Chair): Scott (NM) wanting mailing list info. No mailing list yet. Working with Meredith on duties and getting info. Encouraged to contact Steve B. (Previous mailing chair), to read duties in By-Laws, and to contact current host committee Registration Chair and Outreach Chair.

-BREAK FOR SNACKS AND ROOM CHANGE.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Review/ Discuss dialog with bid cities (Matt): Council needs to be proactive, encourage bids. Most of this covered in Sunday session in Portland. We need to get delegates, use them for outreach. We need to watch what we say to cities NOT receiving the bid. Delegates can be on bid committees.

(Chris): Selection of a host city will ALWAYS be difficult. Use the time at the conference to make contacts, encourage bids, give info, etc.

(Meredith): Meeting with the bid cities individually Friday prior to the bid session Saturday was very helpful, worked out well. Bid session went well, received positive feedback from Council members on how we did the bid session this time. Other Committees giving positive feedback on how well bid session went.

2. Section 3.2 By-Laws (Matt); Host City Officer Terms: would like to amend officer term to only 2 yrs instead of 4 yrs. Passed Unanimously.

3. Bid Committee to include entire region: already addressed.

4. Allowing Delegate Time (Matt): Would like to allow 45 min to 1 hr for delegate reports, questions, etc. Do we want to add this to Q&A Session on conference program? Doing this may attract delegates- need to let them know they can be on bid committee as well as delegate. Would be very informational for this info to be available to everyone at the Q&A. Could also be done during officer reports. Motion: Extend the time of the Q&A session to 1:45 and allow 45 min for delegate reports. Passed Unanimously. Add to delegate addendum of By-Laws.

5. Section 4.1: covered under officer terms- says terms last 2 years- no changes needed.

6. Funds for Mailing Chair: Motion to facilitate expedient transfer of funds from Treasurer to Mailing Chair. Current Mailing Chair ok with being reimbursed every 6 mos for costs. Passed.

7. Establishing previous attendance numbers, hotel info available.

(Frank): Could make database with this info- needs the #'s.

-Exact numbers may not be necessary, exact numbers not available from WAC I. Note the differences between Registered people, Free Registrations, People attending open mtgs that are not registered.

- Registration database available- should host committee be responsible for updating registration database each year? Or Archivist? (Adding Registration forms from conference to database).
- Could budget \$ to have updating done by a paid person.
- Registration database is separate from the availability of WAC attendance numbers.
- WAC I info: (Ramada Valley Ho): Peak Flow- 1500, Total Registrations 500-700, Pre-Registrations 143, room p/u: Fri 120, Sat 150 (Blocked 80/night).
- WAC II info: (Portland Marriott): Peak Flow- 1700-2000, Total Registrations 1100, pre-registrations and room p/u will get from Jen/Mary and Josie.
- Add WAC attendance info to Web site (dates, site, numbers, etc.) Matt will do.
- No Vote taken- No disagreement.

8. Registration Database: Motion (Matt): Archivist to be responsible for the database maintenance and update of all registered participants and to give info to each new host city. 2nd by Mike. Passed Unanimously. Motion (Matt): Allow the archivist at their discretion to use up to \$200 to pay for the data entry of new registrations to the database. 2nd by Josie. Passed.
9. Mailing Database of all YPAA conferences in region (to give and receive) (Matt): Question of breaking confidentiality by giving out info; mailings may not be fruitful, yet costly (personal outreach more effective); could add question to reg form "Do you want to be included on mailing list for YPAA's in region". High discomfort among council members re: giving out info. (Info exchange is within AA only, no sales stuff). Suggestion to send out initial mailing with letter stating how they got on list, what to expect in future, and if they don't want to be on list to let us know. No control over list once given away. Could put note on top saying list is confidential and for AA eyes only. Motion (Mike): Table this issue, have Jim W. research what GSO's opinion is on it, how other councils deal with this. Need to make decision next mtg. 2nd by Jim. Passed.
10. Bid/Host Committee Packet (Andy): Andy was supposed to come with something for this, is not here. Motion (Mary): Table until Andy arrives. 2nd by Frank. Passed Unanimously.

-Break

11. Increase Seed \$ to \$1000: Discussion: Areas with less resources may need more seed \$, larger conferences may need more \$, large mailings financed by council. Motion (Roni): Increase seed \$ to \$1000. 2nd by Jim. Passed Unanimously.
12. Drag Show (Meredith): Discussion on events at area assembly in Oregon. Need to respect laws in region, follow laws of general public, AA members not exempt from following the law. Could add page to Packet being made for potential host cities re: being aware of local laws, acting in good taste, etc. Advisory Council members need to be responsible to speak up when witnessing inappropriate behavior. Motion (Chris): We ask Host Committees to consider community standards and local laws during all events. (Put in future bid/host committee packet). 2nd by Mike. 1 opposed, 1 abstention. Minority Opinion: We don't want anything in writing dictating moral standards. Re-Vote: Passed.
13. Bid Cities: Are we talking to them? Currently there are possible bids from NM, Seattle, Orange County, Boise, Colorado, Bay area, and Maui (Hawaii).
14. Outreach: What areas need more outreach? (We just got the WAC III date a few weeks ago). Re: Utah flyers for WAC: What is WAC? When is it? Little mention of AA related mtgs/events- need to interact more with host committee, do more outreach for them. Discussion re: whether the Council voted on preferring New Year's weekend over Thanksgiving weekend. Council voted NOT to tell them dates - they should schedule dates based on the better hotel package and local events. Keep comments limited to Advisory Council and host committee- don't spread them around.
15. Hotel Contract time frame-Discussed importance of getting contract signed in a timely manner. We could have a suggestion in the Bid/ Host committee packet to encourage this. (Andy)- motion that contract must be signed within 45 days. 2nd- by Chris and Jim. Should this be put on bid requirement sheet, award procedures, or Bid/host committee packet? (Andy)- addition to motion: To put this info on the Bidding Requirements. 2nd by Jim. (Mike) Amendment: "If awarded the conference, the host committee agrees to have a signed contract within 45 days." Accepted by Andy and Jim. Unanimous vote. (Matt): motion to add this to Bid Req #2 at the end. 2nd by Andy. Unanimous. Note: This was actually suggested by Josie prior to Matt's motion.
16. Bidding Requirement Clarifications: #1: Must the bid committee members be PRESENT? Suggested that if they don't have 3 people present then they probably are not going to be able to pull off a conference (Unless extenuating circumstances such as car accident, high financial burden of traveling, etc). Requirements don't say that they have to be present. Bylaws state suggestion that members be

within the geographical area, no requirement of anyone being present. #5: Letter of support: Matt: Motion to change this to "a statement of interest or support from..." 2nd by Roni. Unanimous. The Bid/ Host committee packet: should include the following: hotel contract info, committee positions and duties, a responsibility to community statement, to have the hotel contract signed in a timely manner. Andy agrees to have this ready for review by the next mtg. Andy will formulate an Ad-Hoc committee to address this.

17. (Frank): motion that if Jim is given positive support by GSO, that he be able to give the lists to Salt Lake City committee immediately. 2nd by Roni. (This will include only Colorado mailing list and Arizona (ASCYPAA) list. Unanimous.
18. Native American Report: None.
19. Hispanic Report: Notah HAS been doing outreach. No new hispanic outreach done. Motion to close- Mtg with host committee at 11pm at #246 Driftwood Lodge (1 mile down road). Mtg at WAC III will begin Friday morning at conference (11am)- (The day after Thanksgiving). Closed with Serenity Prayer.