

# ESCYPAA Advisory Call | 2/12/18

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*In Attendance: Billy, KC, Dana, John M., Jenna, Danielle, Chris, Kristin, Meg, Maya, Martial, Andy, Jon J., Lisa, Braden, Jamie, Courtney, Mercedes, Sarah Sparkles, Casey F., Rob M.*

*Absent: Bobby, Carolyn*

**Meeting called to order at 9:15pm**

## **I. CHAIR REPORTS**

- ESCYPAA V Chair [Rob M.]:
  - We've had a few committee meetings; subcommittees are meeting regularly.
  - The website is up and running for online registrations.
  - Fellowship Feud event on Saturday (2/12); hope to see you all there! It will take place at the church on Beard Street where Sober Train meets.
  - We're using Slack and people are starting to warm up to it.
  - Scott M. (Al Anon liaison) has been an outreach rock star and is everywhere. Illinois next week!
  - A theme has been picked: "Stood in the Presence of Infinite Power and Love."
  - 6 hotel room nights booked. We'll be discussing this and pushing people to book rooms.
  - Pushing subcommittees to get their budgets together by our next meeting.
  - Next meeting will be 2 weeks from yesterday.
  - Our co-Outreach Chair has not been showing up at meetings or doing his position. The committee wanted to give him another chance and reach out to him before making a decision.
- Chair [Billy]:
  - Excited for the ESCYPAA V event on Saturday. Hope to get Rob and Crystal added to the bank account before the event.
  - KC and I are setting up the Bid Liaison call; she'll talk about that.
  - Attending NERAASA and super duper stoked.
  - Area 47 CPC / PI is hosting an event April 29 in Syracuse – get excited!
  - Background info for Conference agenda items by Friday. Two Young Peoples pamphlets are being updated; possibly changes to the Big Book; other literature changes. A proposal to censure the General Service Board – spicy! [KC has the background info if anyone is interested.]
  - ESCYPAA IV won the Albany Ambassador Award. Reached out to GSO about how to handle this.
- Co-Chair [KC]:
  - HOST**
    - OUTREACH: Spoke to Scott about outreach at TCYPAA (15 preregistrations; great help from Albany and Advisory; he will be heading to ISCYPAA next weekend)
    - He will also be at NERAASA and NHSCYPAA
    - I brought up creating an outreach budget and he and I will be talking more about this
  - PROGRAM**
    - Jess reached out to me about a preference on when to start Bid Sessions on Saturday morning of the convention; suggested 9am.
  - EVENTS**

- I will be present for the second half of the event this weekend - I work until 8:30pm but will head over afterwards.

#### **BID CITIES**

- Have contact lists for each bid committee been sent out? Can we please make these public?

#### **BID CITY LIAISONS**

- I am working on our Bid City Liaison call outline. The purpose of this call will be to ensure that the Bid City Liaisons are fully aware of each Bid Requirement; to ensure that each Bid City comes to the convention with COMPLETE bids; to ensure that Advisory is on the same page and providing consistent information; to help redefine the role of the Bid City Liaison.

#### **BANNER AD HOC**

- Have not rescheduled a call yet. Will work on this as soon as the Bid City outline is completed.

**NERAASA (Cromwell, CT):** Hope to see many of you there!

- Treasurer [Jenna]
  - I have updated the Google drive to show the account balances [\$17,764.02 total across all four accounts; Advisory has about \$8,000; ESCYPAA V has a little under \$1,000 but also using funds from Summit account, which has about \$2,000 and which will all be transferred over to host; ESCYPAA IV has a little over \$11,000 which will be used for disbursements].
  - I am just waiting to hear the final decision about disbursements for ESCYPAA 4.
  - Still need to coordinate getting Crystal and Rob on the account (if I need to be involved or not, fingers crossed I don't have to get to the bank #sorrynotsorry)!
  - I have confidence that we can close Wells Fargo soon... like maybe by summer?
  - I have been working with Chris and Martial on the treasury related materials for the 501(c)(3).
  - **Motion to accept the Treasurer's report [Chris, John M.]. All in favor.**
- Secretary [Dana]
  - Host, Advisory, HVYPAA, LICYPAA, NYCYPAA, and SYRYPAA contact lists are in the Google Drive; still waiting for NENYPAA, ROCYPAA, STCYPAA, WORCYPAA.
  - I will work with Kristin to switch over the Google Drive to not be on my personal email account.
  - **Motion to approve the Advisory minutes from January 22, 2018 [Dana, John M.]. All in favor.**
- Hotel [John M.]
  - As of February 1, we had 6 room nights booked. I asked Krysta to send me monthly updates.
  - I spoke with Logan (STCYPAA) tonight and went over the hotels and things to look at going forward. I also sent him the Hotels 101 document to look over. He is going to reach out to those hotels and touch base again to get initial proposals. I'll be reaching out to the other hotel chairs.
  - I'll be at NERAASA too!
- Outreach [Danielle]
  - We had our first Outreach Call on January 24th!!!! I explained to everyone on the call what the purpose was as well as my role.
  - WORCYPAA, NYCYPAA, LICYPAA, ROCYPAA, NENYPAA did not have representation on the call. I hope to have more in the future. I was sad. I will continue to reach out and let people know that this is to promote unity throughout the state.
  - Who is the new Outreach Chair for WORCYPAA?

- Nick is asking that if any committees would like to cohost with Host that they reach out ASAP. They are trying to solidify some upcoming events/plans.
  - Host is still waiting for web reg to be set up and will let us know when that is up and running.
  - Due to Dana's LOVELY idea with the Google Drive... Nick and myself discussed and are working on setting up an Outreach Drive which we will grant access to all of the committee chairs with flyers in it. I have not gotten a chance to get it all together yet but am in the process.
  - On a personal note I want to thank everyone who reached out to me over the past couple weeks. You're all rock stars, and Sammy says thank you too. <3
- Archives [Chris]
    - Can anyone on Advisory sew? Please call me.
- Website [Kristin]
    - Got an email from the Chair of Louypaa asking for guidance *[see attached]*.
- Prayer / Unity [Meg]
    - What a day, am I right everybody?
    - I'm going to create a list of prayer partners and send that out.
    - I posted the people who were interested in doing the 10 minute recordings to send to each other, and the step each person was random assigned. Record and send them to me and Dana will send them out to the group!
    - I held a meeting for host to discuss the Advisory recommendations about disbursements; no one came. Dana and I talked and I ate French toast.
    - I reached out to Will, ESCYPAA V's Prayer / Unity Chair and asked him to please ask Host committee members if they were interested in doing Advisory-Host prayer / unity partners. Should I step in and ask Host directly?
    - How can we get more Advisory unity happening? I shared information about the Peace Village retreat center and I think it would be great if we did that as a committee.
    - I went to the Area Orientation Day this past Saturday and spoke to one of the past Delegates about the award ESCYPAA IV got; he suggested talking to a Trustee at NERAASA.
- HVYPAA Liaison [Sarahahaha]
    - I left my voice in Tennessee. I do not smoke 1,000 Newports a day. TCYPAA was super lit; big shout-out to Scott from Buffalo who repped super hard and got dem pre-regs.
    - I'm bringing a carload of Albany people to the HVYPAA Valentine's Event on Saturday.
    - Their committee meeting schedule is a little weird, but I'm going to the next Tuesday meeting.
    - Spoke to Courtney at TCYPAA; let's get together for funsies, not just business! I'm celebrating next month so come party with me.
- STCYPAA [Braden]
    - I've been spending a lot of time with the STCYPAA committee; they've been coming to me with questions and I've been outreaching their events in Albany.
- ROCYPAA [Andy, standing in for Bobby]
    - Lots of new people on the committee! Trying to get things moving in terms of events.
- NYCYPAA [Casey, standing in for Carolyn]

- NYCYPAA and LICYPAA are going to co-host an event in April; they're also looking to cohost a lock-in pajama party with New Jersey. Lots of events in the works.
- SYRYPAA [Andy]
  - Their meetings are the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays at 6pm; currently they're working on events.
  - Everyone is stepping up and getting acclimated to their positions.
  - They had a Traditions workshop at their meeting tonight, presented by a past delegate. They got through half the Traditions and will finish them and do the Concepts at their next meeting.
- WORCYPAA [Jon J.]
  - I've reached out to Jessica three times and haven't heard back. Spoke to Jamie who has been super helpful and suggested I reach out to Jason C.
  - I'll also be at NERAASA! Most of the hotels in the area are booked. Get on dat.
  - I'm taking my happy ass to IREYPAA at the end of the month which I am super jazzed about.
  - Two local conventions coming up: Flower City Fellowship Convention, March 2 – 4 at the Riverside Radisson in Rochester and Conference of the Lakes in Canandaigua, April 27 – 29. They've both really supported ESCYPAA and are enthusiastic about YPAA, so I'll share this information with Rob M.
  - I wanted to start a conversation about Kelsey from Virginia who really wants to talk to ESCYPAA Advisory – there's no Advisory in Virginia and she's looking for guidance. Maybe she could get onto a call with us or we could help her in some way.
    - John M.: You can give her my contact information; I was involved in the ad hoc and could help her with that process.
    - Billy: If you can set up a conference call with her, we could get on that!

## II. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Business Research 501(c)(3) [Martial]: By the time we have our next call, we should have the final application for the 501(c)(3). Chris, Jenna, and myself have been working on the budgets we need and will use this year's budget for 2018 and use Long Island's P&L for the 2019 budget. We should be tax exempt within a month or so.
- b. Banner ad hoc [KC]: I will start the ad hoc as soon as I finish the outline for the bid city liaison call.
- c. Archivist ad hoc [John M.]: No one responded to my email about proposed times. I will look at my calendar and just schedule a call and let everyone know.
- d. Advisory Budget [Jenna]: The only thing that needed to be adjusted on the proposed budget were the website expense and an estimated expense for the lawyer.

## III. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Everyone who is at NERAASA has to go to dinner together and be unified, gosh darn it [John M.].
- b. **Motion to approve the proposed ESCYPAA IV disbursements with Advisory's recommendations to split it evenly throughout the Areas [Meg, Chris]. All in favor.**

*Prayed it out @ 10:30pm*

Next Advisory Call: Monday, February 26 @ 9:15pm  
 NERAASA: February 23 – 25 in Cromwell, CT  
 LICYPAA Keeping It Green Dance: Saturday, March 17