

ESCYPAA ADVISORY CALL 3/25/2019

Present: Mercedes, Chris, Bradley, Brandi, Dana, Carolyn, Lisa, Andy, Billy, Bobby, Scott, Sarah, Jessica, Jenna, Bobby, Casey

Absent: Courtney, KC

Meeting called to order at 920pm

REPORTS:

Matt [Host 6 Chair]:

We had a business meeting last monday the speakers were brought into discussion and we decided to overturn sariahs decision. Shes contacting the speakers to let them know what happened and we are all currently listening to speaker tapes and going to discuss them at our next meeting

Questions:

Mercedes: Have you guys come up with a rough draft or anything in regards to program

Matt: Nothing as far as what the program will look like. We are just focussing on speakers right now. We selected our theme which is ()

Chair [Mercedes]:

i dont have anything to report

Co-Chair [Chris]:

I met with bradley to discuss the draft advisory budget. I believe we will be talking about that a bit later on this call. Great job Bradley!

We had a bid city liaison call on 2/19. One of our liaisons brought up potentially creating a structure regarding the bid presentations. We will be discussing that a bit later on as well. Not sure if the rest of our group will be interesting I'm making any changes, perhaps we will discuss or decide to create an ad hoc or decide to use our bid city liaison calls to discuss that? We shall see!

Thanks,
Chris C

Treasurer [Bradley]:

First I hope everyone is doing well. Attached are the current balances on the accounts:

Host 5: \$2,931.45

Advisory: \$4,501.53

Host 6: \$6,083.88

spoke with crystal she discovered a discrepancy; host 5 had 1,598.00 unaccounted for; she deposited in the host 5 account. This was cash from the convention weekend with this discovery and following the motion from previous calls.

"ESCYPAA 5 funds as 30% to buffalo intergroup, 25% to GSO, 10% to each of the 4 areas, 5% to archives" The following would break down to these amounts.

Buffalo Intergroup (30%): \$879.44

GSO (25%): \$732.86

Area 47 (10%): \$293.15

Area 48 (10%): \$293.15

Area 49 (10%): \$293.15

Area 50 (10%): \$293.15

Archives (5%): \$146.57

spoke with crystal about getting these checks out;
will follow up after the call.

spoke with Chris C (advisory) . Attached is the budget we discussed;

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1B5S4af7-Y0vp_83hPq1En_CPTVWnDWj7M_dC_CFYzf6M/edit?usp=sharing

Some points to discuss is :

Hiring an Accountant (long term)

Tax Return this year.

“I make a motion to approve the financial report” [Chris, Dana] All in favor.

Secretary [Brandi]:

Nothing to report

“I make a motion to approve the secretary report” [Bradley, Scott] All in favor.

Hotel [Bobby]:

So I talked to Ethan earlier and everything seems to be running smoothly. Some host members booked their rooms, maybe we can match them this week? I'll have the updated numbers on the call. Also I'll be on the call because I changed my work schedule!

Bobby

Outreach [Scott]:

Call on 3/13. Communication between all bid cities via group chat has been great. Fliers sent to each other and sharing dates for events to avoid cross over.

Talked about upcoming conferences with representation. Iscypaa and possibly mnyyaa.

Logan in stcypaa is looking to outreach Elmira which has lots of young people and no ypa so we talked about doing something altogether there to outreach the conference.

Next outreach opportunity for host is event this Saturday.

Boat cruise co-hosting is being finalized.

Talked about how outreach can be the face of the conference and/or committee and to keep that in mind. Behavior at ypa can be a direct representation so keep that in mind. Logan shared about that with me as well.

Finally midyear event option. Have an idea put together already and ready to go and would like to share with whole group for feedback

Prayer and Unity [Sarah]:

Im working on putting a list of prayer partners together for host and advisory

Web Chair [Dana]:

Nothing to report

Archives [KC]:

Archives

ESCYPAA HISTORY

- Was able to get minutes from the Ad Hoc
- Topics of Discussion
 - First ever Boat Cruise
 - Spring forum - Ithaca
 - Capital Region Reps
 - 501c3 status

PHYSICAL ARCHIVES

- Safe and dry

WRITTEN HISTORY

- Waiting on a few people to send them to me
- Will follow up again this week

Jenna: [Ad hoc and former treasurer]:
Nothing to report

BID CITIES:

ROCYPAA []:

STCYPAA [Andy]:

Stcypaa just got new tshirts this past week before their chili cook off. There was some minor complication with the ordering of the shirts. Originally they were going through the vendor they usually use, but their pricing seemed pretty high and at the last minute it was switched to a cheaper shirt. They got a better deal. Then some confusion around how many shirts were being purchased due to committee members placing preorders on top of their order. Everything was cleared up at their last committee meeting. Committee members paid \$7 a shirt and everyone else paid the going rate of \$15. They ended up selling \$240 in shirts at the chili cook off. Also chili cook off had profited \$300(outside of shirt sales).

In recent there has been a new treatment inpatient in bing that has been requesting meetings from stcypaa. They have been doing a great job at coordinating and filling these commitments, along with Bradford pa. Also a possible commitment in Elmira coming up. Stcypaa from all outside appearances is doing well.

Thank you,
Andy C

SYRYPAA [Billy]:

I havent really heard anything. I will be talking with zack tonight and ill have more for next call

HVYPAA [Carolyn]:

Their outreach chair is working on doing a lot of outreach for them, im helping them work on their bid packet

WORCYPAA [Casey]:

On the call we had for the liasons we talked about switching up the way we do the bid packet at the convention

Old Business

- [Dana] Group Inventory Action Items -
- Question #2: Do we make our decisions according to the Traditions?
- Encouraging everyone to study and learn the Traditions and Concepts
- Help one another understand them

Question #3: Are we attracting the most energetic and talented individuals?

- Cultivate and grow members' energy and talent as they serve on Advisory
- Cultivate relationships with people on host committees to encourage the energetic and talented people to stand for Advisory
- Make our contact information more available to host committee throughout the year

IV. Should we invite senior members of the fellowship to observe and counsel?

- Reach out to other Advisory councils for input and guidance
- Invite outside members to join calls and provide input (if allowed by bylaws - which it is not, as found out after the inventory)

- **Bradley; budget**

Questions:

Jenna: What is it referring to that's due May 15th

Bradley: Not for profit returns are due May 15th (990)

Billy: How did you determine the income for the midyear even, how did we get 750\$?

Bradley: I used a past budget

Dana: I just saw the website is posted as 250\$ under expenses, but I'm pretty sure it's not due until 2020

Chris: If we could lower the income for the mid year and take away the website expense that would be close to something we could pass tonight, maybe lower the mid year to 500

Dana: travel stipends are listed for 18 people, are we still at 18

Mercedes: No we are at 17

Chris: Should we make changes and vote on it next week or vote on it now with the changes we just discussed

Billy: With the changes made I would be okay with voting tonight, I would also like to see budget for the mid year lowered

"I make a motion we table this for 2 weeks and me and Bradley will take a look and make adjustments to travel, midyear, and website and bring it back" [Chris, Billy]

Discussion:

Bradley: Advisory paid for the deposit on the hotel, do we add that back in as reimbursement from host?

Billy: Yes we do

Amendment of motion to “I make a motion we table this for 2 weeks and me and bradley will take a look and make adjustments to travel, midyear, website, and reimbursement from host”
[Chris, Billy]

8 in favor

1 abstention

MOTION PASSES

- **Jenna: add service resumes to our contact information for new Host committee**

New Business

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- **Scott: Dates and possible Mid Year Event**
 - I decided to get creative, i reached out to a few different committees to see what they had going on to see if we could cohost something with them for mid year and looked at their dates. So what i came up with was on May 18th STCYPAA ,SRYPAA, and host are throwing a unity picnic i thought it made sense to work the midyear event in with them. Budget wise they would need to get a second pavillion for us. An extra pavilion would be \$100 and thats what we would be required to put in. There would be no preparation for us, im going to help out as much as i can. It would be held 12-5 outside of binghamton

Questions:

Dana: Thank you Scott for all the work you have done, my only question is if we are we getting the second pavilion for the amount any other person would have to be or are we getting a special deal

Scott: No we are not getting a special deal, its because if your a town resident its \$100.

Casey: I have a comment, we have always been super north and west in new york and i think that doing it there again it is limiting the attendance and its good for the committees to travel. I would suggest maybe doing it further down state

Jenna: How would the profit be split, would we just get our \$100 back?

Scott: I didnt have that discussion yet

Dana: I dont think we should get more than we put in back

“I make a motion to approve \$100 expense for the midyear event cohosted with SRYPAA, STCYPAA, and host and only receive the \$100 back that we put in” [Dana, Bobby]

Discussion:

Bobby: I understand financially this seems like something that would work, the southern part of the state always seems to get left out of the conversation. I think we should take the time to pursue other options

Dana: I agree we should include everybody, i just think that for this year this would work best in terms of our financial situation

Billy: For clarity this location is closer to long island than it is to Buffalo

Andy: If we postpone and wait we are going to be closer to the bonfire.

Casey: None of the committees except WORCYPAA have been to long island over the last year.

7 in favor

1 abstention

1 opposed

Minority Opinion:

Bobby: I feel like we are making emergencies were there are none, i feel like each year we create an emergency and dont make time to look into it. And i think this year we should look into all of our options. The purpose of the midyear event is always supposed to be the location should be where its needed so we can find more alcoholics who need help. I would love to see more long island participation throughout the state. I think we should take the time to look into it

VOTES CHANGED

RE VOTE

3 in favor

3 opposed

2 abstentions

MOTION FAILS

- **Taxes discussion - Hire accountant?- Tabled to next call**

Pray it out

Our next scheduled call is April 8 at 9:15 PM