

ARCNA XXIX
September 22, 2012

OPENING

Meeting was held at Noel Wien Library, 2:00 pm in Room #1. The meeting was opened meeting with The NA Service Prayer. The Twelve Traditions was read by Dennard H.

7 members were present. Anne H., Dominic A., Dennard H., Matt S., Frank P., Bobbi, Olivia F., and Malia B.

REPORTS

Chair Report: Thanks everyone for coming out today to support the 2013 Alaska Regional Convention Committee for ARCNA XXIX. Conventions are an awesome experience and a great way to promote unity and encourage fellowship among our members. I am excited to be able to be a part of this exciting adventure.

I have been given a copy of the NA Convention Guidelines and have read our Regional Guidelines in regards to the Convention Committee. I have printed a copy of each and both are posted to the Regional website (www.akna.org).

Our Area hosted ARCNA XXIV in 2008. I was the Convention Secretary and have all of the electronic documents (minutes, charts, PowerPoints, etc.) from that convention so we won't have to reinvent the wheel at every turn. I have reviewed our archives from that convention and have come up with an "In a Nutshell" document to review under "New Business".

I am pleased to learn that several members have expressed an interest in helping out with the convention and have ideas on how to make this a great experience for everyone. I look forward to working with all of you in the upcoming year.
ILS, Anne H.

NEW BUSINESS

Report of 2008 Convention: The group went over the brief synopsis of the 2008 convention held in our area. We went over location, expenses, and profits that were derived from the minutes.

Service Positions: We discussed clean time requirements as stated in the NA Convention Guidelines and when we should nominate members for any service positions for our upcoming committees. The 2008 convention did not have an "Arts & Graphics" subcommittee. The group decided to wait until after this year's convention to make any of those decisions. The group decided to appoint Malia Acting Secretary until that time.

Speaker Meetings & Workshops: We discussed whether we should have workshops at the convention. 2008 convention did not have workshops but other conventions not hosted by the Golden Heart Area have. The 2008 convention had 4 speaker meetings: Friday night, Saturday morning and night, and Sunday morning.

Finance: The group discussed the financial concerns for putting on this event and were told that there would hopefully be seed money provided by Region and the amount would be dependent on the success of this year's convention. We also discussed the benefits of fundraising over the year that would directly benefit the upcoming convention, and that we will need to promote convention awareness.

Theme & Logo: The first issue that we should address is the Theme for our convention. We will take this information back to groups and ask for theme ideas. This is separate of Logo design, and we must find a Recovery based theme, possibly driven from NA Literature. This Theme "Contest" shall precede any logo contest.

Location: The location for our 2013 Convention shall be decided based on which venue will provide us with the accommodations we need at the best price, to include, conference/banquet room(s), hotel rooms, and food. The 2008 hotel used was the Alpine lodge and we have the paperwork from 2008. Our team will write list of needs and get bids from various locations in town to include the Alpine Lodge, Pike's, Chena Hot Springs, Westmark, Wedgewood, Princess, and the Marriot Springfield Suites.

CLOSING

Meeting ended with the Serenity Prayer at 3:00 pm. The next meeting will be held on Saturday, October 6, 2012 at the Noel Wien Library, 2:00 pm in Room #1.