

ARCNA XXIX
August 3, 2013

OPENING

Meeting was held at Noel Wien Library at 2 pm. The meeting was opened with The NA Service Prayer. The twelve concepts were read by Vinny 9 members attended: Olivia F., Anne H., Frankie P., Malia B., Robert B., Nancy B., Dave S., Aaron S., and Vinny E.

Reports

Chair Report- Anne H.: Thanks everyone for coming out today to support the 2013 Alaska Regional Convention Committee for ARCNA XXIX. Since we last met, I have received the food and room contacts from Pike's. Frank has tentative information from Westmark. We need to start looking at our expenses and see what we can realistically afford to do. I made a prototype convention badge for laminating. I think we should go with Bobbi's recommendation and use the company she researched for some of our registration items. Creating memorabilia (Bob) is a registered NAWS vendor. He gave me some decent rates for tshirts and can have anything printed (magnets, mugs, lapel pins, etc.). He needs to know the sizes and quantities of what we want so he can send us a bid. We start our meetings weekly on August 17. I am suggesting we start on August 10. We will meet weekly until our wrap-up October 19. I will be out of town August 31. I got some very disturbing news from Pikes regarding a comment one of our members made. I have apologized to Pike's and stated this individual will not have any further dealings with Pike's should we accept their contract. ILS, Anne 907-347-9623

Vice Chair - Vacant

Treasurer - Malia B: No new activity to account. Any proposed budgets please get them to Malia.

Secretary – Olivia F.: Read minutes, approved

Hotels & Hospitality- Vacant

Fundraising & Entertainment – Josh S.- Absent

Convention Information – Dave S.- No report. Waiting on flyers.

Registration: Vacant

Arts & Graphics – Aaron S.- No report. Needs contract.

Merchandising – Vacant

Programming- Frank P.: We have picked 2 speakers Ryan H. from Seattle over 10 years also Margret from Phoenix AZ with over 20 years. Two other speakers we are considering are Ryan Q. from LA with 15 years, also Steve S. Wisconsin with 20 years. They had a fundraiser at the blow out selling corn and made 100 dollars. Raffle for ivory feather 12 tickets sold at 10 a ticket. Will be raffled Saturday night at convention. Will begin workshop planning after main speakers are picked. Money is needed to begin buying plane tickets.

OLD BUSINESS

Hotel Pikes Contract: Anne is receiving conflicting information on room rates. We were hoping to have the hotel charge a higher rate for rooms and get some form of credit to make money back towards the convention. Ursula gave Anne 2 contracts for food and room rates.

Westmark contract: The rate is higher at Westmark but their infrastructure is made to accommodate conferences. We could make 15 dollars off each room and get a free room off every 50 rooms we sell.

Frank believes the price is comparable to Pikes. The conference room at Westmark is 1200.

NEW BUSINESS

Convention badges: Anne brought a prototype. We will probably be using cardstock. Anne will look into prices for cardstock and printer ink.

Monetary requests: We need to start looking at our money and seeing how far it will go. We need to get on contract, merchandise, speakers etc.

Representing NA: Anne was told that a negative comment was made about the owner of Pikes. This was discussed.

Aaron made a motion to go with Westmark. Dave S. seconded. 3 voted yes 2 abstained. Motion passed.

Plane Tickets: Malia had an idea to purchase plane tickets. Malia will use cash to buy prepaid credit cards that can be used to buy plane tickets.

OPEN FORUM

Merchandising: Aaron made a motion to go with the online company that Bobbi had researched. Motion tabled. Anne will work on figures for merchandise.

CLOSING

Meeting ended with the serenity prayer. Next meeting will be 8/10 at Mary Siah 3:00pm.