

ISCYPAA ADVISORY MEETING

Sunday, January 24, 2020

7:00 p.m.

Location: Zoom Meeting

Call to order & prayer

ATTENDANCE: Nicki, Meg, Steph, Dan, Cameron, Ryan, Ben, Michelle, James, Sid, Kelly, Emily, Annie, Ryan

Absent: David

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Chair - Nicki

- Thank you to Advisory members that showed up to Open
- Had good conversation with Amy
- Host is aware they are giving us time after the speaker meeting to announce new Host
- Host is going to drop their program next week

Co-Chair/Treasurer - Meridith/Daniel

- Host meeting - informed again that they are to email registration list to us
- Treasury - no updates
Will be paying Insurance and taxes before conference

Secretary - Steph

- Motion to approve January 3 and 17 minutes
Seconded and passed
- Will email to Sid to put on website

Archives - Ben/Meg

- Host will have a virtual literature and archives room
- Banner has been located
- Will continue digitizing archives for website

Webmaster - Sid

- Messaging with Jeanette about getting Program and other conference info up on the website

Hotels - James

- Still in contact with Hotel that we are out of the contract - Hotel has not been responding

BUSINESS

- On Friday, February 19th we will be meeting to go over general ideas and our requirements for what we are looking for in a Host Committee. The time is TBD.
- Host updates
 - Initial program/schedule of events has been sent to us - will be sending us a more finalized ones
 - Clarification about their program - zoom room will be open the whole time
 - James - they want our approval to put out the flyer
 - We typically do not vote on that, Host can put out flyer with their main speakers
- Update of the sub-committee regarding the bid/host packet
 - Notable changes:
 - The suggested dates/deadlines of when things should be completed
 - Updated to include electronic payments
 - Modernizing chair position descriptions
 - Removing warm fuzzies requirement
 - Motion to approve Host Packet with all the proposed edits
 - Motion seconded and passed - unanimous
- [Email](#) to Host & Bids regarding the entering of Tier 1 mitigation.
 - Different regions have different rules - we need to be mindful but do not feel it's necessary to send an email
 - Will hold off sending any other emails to committees regarding covid
- Bid Deliberations: Open v. Closed (*note that last conference we did closed*)
 - Deliberations are how we discuss where the next conference location will be held. We discuss the bids individually and collectively.
 - Since 2016 Deliberations have been closed
 - Past issues with open deliberations - advisory members attacking personal members of bids
 - Nicki - with open deliberations we have to be more mindful of what we say
 - Michelle - clarification about obscene language, suggests a blanket statement
 - Steph - Proposes Open deliberations with a set start time (2pm or 3pm), we do not allow those watching to be able to unmute themselves so we don't risk anyone watching to interrupt. Voting is still closed. Need to increase our transparency as Advisory - all of our decisions are behind closed doors which is not acceptable
 - Kelly - typed up feedback from last year, was that not sufficient? Nothing we do is ever going to make everyone happy
 - Cameron - want to echo what Steph said - we need to increase our transparency. Will keep us on track of being accountable
 - James - on the fence. Clarification of if we deliberate again before voting behind closed doors. Other conferences have it open (MCYPAA and ICYPAA examples)
 - Meredith - there will always being some deliberation behind closed doors during voting
 - Ryan - as a bid and host wanted more transparency from Advisory. Open deliberations may be uncomfortable but necessary. As Springy bid chair in 2019 never received the feedback from Advisory that we had provided.
 - Meredith - we are not responsible for other people's feelings. Like closed deliberations because Open deliberations are more of a "theatre"- people are more

concerned about how they are being perceived instead of actual deliberations. Since it's virtual, it is different than previous years where people can't just stop us in the hallway and ask us questions.

- Sid - discussion with past advisory members and prior to 2016 they were open. Feel it's important for us to still come together as a closed group. If it is Open it may influence what members say
- Kelly - experience being a bid member and missing the conference just to hear deliberations. Feels it will take away from the conference and deliberations are not the point of ISCYPAA.
- Ryan - more important to be transparent than to “protect someone’s feelings”. We can make our minds up to move as a committee.
- Emily - agrees with Ryan
- Annie - in favor of open deliberations and open voting, not concerned about hiding what we say. Feels most of us are capable of being honest and having integrity with our opinions.
- James - Clarification that we will discuss bids before voting

Motion to have open deliberations for the 38th ISCYPAA

Motion seconded

Minority opinion

Nobody changes vote

Motion passes

We will start at 3pm for deliberations

Motion to close:

Next meeting: 1/31/21 at 7pm

- *(on the to-do list - someone had suggested)* PayPal account for the new host for conference registrations.
 - Please provide proposals if we should establish a PayPal to monitor the transactions and have it linked to the “Host” account or have the new host set one up themselves.
 - Steph -as far as us setting up a paypal for the new Host I don't agree with that. It is very clear that the Advisory Committee does not have anything to do with the planning of the conference - Host’s autonomy is very important. It is easy for "help" to be interchangeable with "control".
 - It is ok if the new Host does not start taking pre-regs until they form, that's part of the reason we're transferring the 500 registrations to them.