

ISCYPAA Advisory Meeting

Date: June 6, 2023

Time: 7:00 PM

Online: Zoom ID:

Password: iscypaa

Introductions: James P, Brian, Tamara, Meg B, Bill S, Savannah, Michelle, Tara G.

Guests: Peyton

Prayer

Approval of Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve minutes from April meeting; Brian 2nd; motion passes

Reports

- Chairperson (James P.)
  - I have been in contact with a few bids, just introducing myself. Also, I have been in contact with a few members of Host. Everything seems to be going well.
  - Had a Zoom call with Host Hotel Chip, Tara, and Payton. I will let Tara talk more about that.
  - I have been working with James R. and members of the Palatine Bid about using electronic payment (Square, Paypal, etc.) With the new laws in place, there will be tax implications if a member uses their personal bank account to take electronic payment. Basically you would have to file taxes on the income. Our Accountant has advised us that each bid can get an EIN number as a charitable organization and they will not have to file taxes as long as they make less than \$5000.
    - We are not going to let them (bids) use our EIN number anymore, this would complicate filing taxes each year. As far as the IRS is concerned, Host and Advisory are one entity. We file taxes for the host committee.
    - To help prevent the bid committees from reaching their \$5000 limit, we suggest they take all PreRegs through the ISCYPAA website and make sure they indicate what bid they are a part of.
  - I also join in on the monthly outreach zoom call. I will let Tamara talk more about the meeting.
- Co-Chairperson (Jeanette): not present, no report
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- Secretary (Michelle): Please send reports ahead of time if you can.
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- Treasurer (James R.): not present, no report
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- Hotel (Tara)

- Had a zoom call meeting with Chip, Peyton and James on 5/16 regarding negotiations with the current hotels. We discussed possible strategies for getting better, signable contracts, as well as encouraged them (Chip) to reach out to more than just one of the hotels, to see if any of them would give us a better deal.
- The last contract that I received from Chip (Which was today and I haven't had time to review it thoroughly) had a final hotel bill of \$5466. I still think that is too high but it appears we are making progress in the right direction. Which is great. I'd like to ask the host committee for a detailed budget on how they anticipate being able to pay for that high hotel bill, but first, I'd like to at least get it below \$5000.
- I received a proposal to review from the Springfield bid which had a lot of promise and have been in contact with both KNKYPAA and PRAIRYPAA.
- At the hotels subcommittee meeting last night, we discussed some changes that we would like to make to the host/advisory packets as it pertains to hotels. I think I will put that in new business?
- Archives (Megan):
  - No report
  - Attempting to recover items from the 4th ISCYPAA from a member of the Facebook page.
- Webmaster (Tim):
  - Logo Contest
    - Ultimately, no logos were submitted, aside from the ones I made
    - Do you want:
      - Me to ask again and wait another month
      - Me to open it up to everyone on the ISCYPAA facebook page
      - Me to host a subcommittee that will decide on the logo and/or changes to make to one of the ones I designed
      - Me to make a change to one of the logos that I designed
      - To roll with one of the ones that I designed, as is
        - Tim's option 1:



- Tim's option 2:



- Tim's option 3:



- Tim's option 4:



- Tim's option 5:



- Website Changes
  - FAQ page has been produced. Let me know what you think: <http://www.iscypaa.org/faq.html>
  - The ideas for many of the questions and some of the answers have been taken from ICYPAA. The answers are not identical to ICYPAA's, but their answers were used as an idea for the content.
  - It is live, but it is not currently within the menu structure, so you can only find it if you know the exact web address. I would like to add it, but not until you guys think it is good to go.
- Registration
  - Host ended up deciding to still use our form, but I have helped them to switch the payment portion to use their own Square account to process payment, as opposed to using our account.
- Outreach (Tamara):
  - Met with chairs and outreach chairs to help with in-state outreach, great communication and teamwork. Will continue monthly. Next one is June 15. All committees except KANKYPAA were present.
  - 1st ISCY info session will focus on hotels; confirmed with Brian and need to talk to Tara. We will set a date soon; potentially the last Saturday in July.
  - In contact with IL State conference. They need program filled and will have a room for us for advisory meeting.
- Trusted Servants (Bill, Brian, Meg, Rian, Ryan, and Savannah): Nothing to report
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- Bid & Host updates/contacts: None
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- Host Representative: [06-06-2023 Advisory Business Meeting Chair Report](#)

#### Old Business

- Review prudent reserve? - *Waiting on sub-co*
- Seed Money permanent? - *Wanting on sub-co*
- Palatine (FAPYPAA) and Kankakee (KNKYPAA) Bids names?

- Last meeting we decided on a Motion: "That an advisory member reach out to the chairperson of FAP and KNK, prior to their next business meeting, and ask that they consider changing their bid name. Said advisory member to share the collective opinion of the council and request adding this item to new business at the bids next business meeting"
  - Tara to reach out to KNKYPAA; James P to reach out to FAPYPAA
- Update:
  - James - I reached out to Palatine and they changed their name to "BID 62"
  - Tara - KNKYPAA will put the phonetics of their name on all documents and such moving forwards, with the pronunciation kank-e-pah
- Hotel negotiations - Subco was on Monday, June 5th @ 8PM; looking to change items in the advisory packet; TABLED due to lack of voting members.
- Host/Advisory Committee Packet Changes (Tara)  
TABLED due to lack of voting members present.
- Logo for ISCYPAA (Tim)
  - Last meeting we decided "\$50 budget for Tim to decide a reward or prize for a new logo to be selected by the advisory committee one month for this meeting."
  - Discussion: Is the old logo an option?
  - 6 options moving forward; how
    - Allow another month for bids to submit ideas
    - Open to the entire ISCYPAA community
    - Sub-Co
    - Revise a logo that Tim has created
    - Choose a logo that Tim has created
    - Table until the next meeting

Vote determines that the contest will be extended to the entire ISCYPAA community.

It is suggested that we still reach out to the bids individually to access different "pockets" of YPAA

Ask Tamara to utilize her outreach page to access more ISCYPAA members

Tim commits to Springfield

Bill commits to PrairePAA

Savannah commits to KANKYPAA

Michelle commits to Bid 62

Brian commits to Rockford

Please submit ideas to webmaster; Tim to compile and present

Tim H. to make a post on the ISCYPAA FB page as well

New Business

- Business meetings
  - Next business meeting will be on the second Tuesday of the month due to the holiday
  - I would like to change the start of the business meeting to 6:30 pm going forward so that Tamara will be able to make the meetings. There is a new conflict in her schedule, otherwise she will not be able to make meetings. Can we vote?
    - It was decided that all Advisory members be informed of the proposed meeting changes before this item is called to a vote.
    - James to follow up with another “availability survey”
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    - It was determined that Tim has right of authority in this matter; FAQ page will be launched.
- Advisory Event (Bill)
  - Advisory members host an event in an “empty area” of YPAA to outreach ISCYPAA and info panels on how to bid, host, and coordinate with YP's meeting in the area.
    - Bill is encouraged to continue to research and bring his findings to the next Advisory meeting.
    - It is also suggested that Bill could host a subco meeting.
    - Thank you for your service Bill!!!
- Facebook- Allow Non-AA posts? (Tim)
  - Tim believes that it would be beneficial for recovery based groups to be allowed to share their events (AARM for example)
  - Do we allow people to post questions regarding sober livings, treatment facilities, etc.
  - Megan shares experience that allowing other posts is more of a hassle than a help.
    - Vote to not change the guidelines
- Having 2 sub-accounts, 1 for odd, the other for even years so overlap doesn't occur (Tim)
  - Should the Host be required to use Sub-Account? *Tabled*

- Getting Host to share Google Doc of Financials (Tim) *Tabled*
- Retire Banner (James P.) *Tabled*

Announcements:

Next meeting: July 11, 2023 at on Zoom (Moved to second Tuesday because of July 4th).  
Time TBD when James P figures out the meeting time.

Meeting closing time: 8:29PM