

## ISCYPAA Advisory Meeting

Date: July 11, 2024

Time: 8:00 pm

Zoom ID: 858 068 6515

Password: iscypaa

### Attendance/Introductions

1. James P - Chair
2. Savannah P - Secretary
3. Katelyn V - ts
4. Brian M - Archives
5. Jeanette R - Co-Chair
6. Meg B - ts
7. Michelle D - ts
8. Rian B - ts
9. James R - Treasurer
10. Peyton S - ts
11. Tara G - Hotels
12. Tim H - Webmaster

### Absent

13. Murphy - called
14. Bill S - notified wouldn't be on via chat
15. Drew - no call

### Guests:

Sean - host chair

### Prayer

### Anniversary & Birthdays

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### Approval of Meeting Minutes

- Motion to approve meeting minutes from 6/6/24 as is
  - Seconded; motion carries

### Reports

- Host Representative
  - Sean
    - Bank bal \$1909.84 plus seed money and square transfer funds (around 4k)
    - 225 pre-regs, 79 scholarships and at least 4 room nights booked
      - Issue at hotel with communication - staff was telling people that they couldn't book that far in advance and hotel alerted the desk clerks that yes, we can book that far in advance. Meeting with hotel on Monday 7/15

- Attended ICYPAA Austin, awesome; attending IAYPAA next weekend
- We have merch made with the ISCYPAA logo; no logo yet but the theme is “Keys to the Kingdom”
- Next biz meeting 7/21 from 12PM-3PM
- Questions:
  - Peyton: Is anyone going to Canoe with the crew? Not sure, will ask Ryan. Philo is going just FYI
  - James P: Front desk issue - was this a while ago? I booked already and everything was fine - it was Saturday night at the main meeting in Austin. It was one front desk lady that was doing it. There was also confusion with suites that required our authorization before they booked. Moral of the story is that getting that hotel link will resolve this issue.
    - Did they give a timeline on the link? They said not for a couple months
  - Brian: Might want to put something about the hotel registration on the ISCYPAA website. - Sean to reach out to Tim at [webmaster@iscypaa.org](mailto:webmaster@iscypaa.org) for help with that.
- Chairperson (James P.)
  - Was able to get in contact with Michael R. from the Illinois State Conference. He has stated he will be able to give us space for a business meeting. Waiting to talk to him about space for an info session. Asked him if we could help in any way. He
  - If you need anything, please reach out.
  - We will have a business meeting on 8/1/24 at 8pm on zoom and then again (pending confirmation) at the IL State Conference on 8/24 at noon (hybrid) which will count as our September business meeting. There will be no business meeting scheduled in the month of September.
- Co-Chairperson (Jeanette):
  - Spreadsheet for advisory sessions is ready to go with dates. Need signups for backup hosts and panelists. Flyer is done as well. Would like to know room at Illinois state conference when available.

**2024-25**  
**ISCPAA SESHES**

Come join ISCPAA Advisory for information sessions every month this year to learn everything to bid & host the conference!

Hotel Contracts Saturday, 24 Aug 2024	3280 Northfield Dr. Springfield, IL 62702	Start at 02.00 PM in XYZ Room (Hybrid)
Reg & Outreach Sunday, 29 Sept 2024	Events & Merch Sunday, 27 Oct 2024	Bylaws & Rules Sunday, 17 Nov 2024
Treasury Sunday, 15 Dec 2024	Concepts & Trads Sunday, 12 Jan 2025	Bidding Sunday, 09 Feb 2025

All sessions will be held at 02.00 PM on Zoom:  
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[cochair@iscypaa.org](mailto:cochair@iscypaa.org)

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- Secretary (Savannah):
  - No report
- Treasurer (James R.)
  - **As of 06/06/2024 - beginning balance is \$33,313.58**
  - On June 7 - deposited Prairypaa Seed Money of \$150.00
  - On June 7 - gave Host Advisory's portion of rent money for Elections - \$70.00
  - On June 10 - deposited Fieldypaa Registration money of \$1,961.89
  - On June 10 - paid CPA, Brad Fairhurst, for filing 2023 taxes totaling \$295.00
  - On June 13 - got a cashiers check for IL Dist. Atty. Charitable Bureau for \$15.00
  - On June 14 - mailed cashier check to IL Dist. Atty. Charitable Bureau for \$7.37
  - On June 22 - purchased Grapevine for SIB; 10% proceeds totaling \$331.00
  - On June 28 - mailed off Grapevine for SIB; 10% proceeds totaling \$6.35.
  - On June 28 - mailed cashier check for SIB; 10% proceeds totaling \$53.94
  - On June 28 - online contribution to GSO for excess funds totaling \$507.23
  - On June 28 - online contribution to Area 19 for excess funds totaling \$1,521.69
  - On June 28 - online contribution to Area 20 for excess funds totaling \$1,521.69
  - On June 28 - mailed cashier check to Area 21 for excess totaling \$1,521.69

- On June 28 - mailing fee for Area 21 totaling \$3.52
- On June 28 - external wire fee of \$0.01
- On July 11 - wire transfer to Host Acct for Registration Funds of \$1,961.89
- On July 11 - wire transfer to Host Acct for Seed Money of \$3,000.00
- **As of 07/11/2024 - ending balance is \$24,609.10**
- Action Items:
  - **Completed - Coordinate with Fieldypaa, Alaina & for opening account on 6/7/24 at Chase Bank in Springfield, IL**
  - **Completed - Get with former Host Committee for Host Proceeds percentage disbursement**
  - **Completed - Make Disbursements to Areas and GSO per Advisory Bylaws**
  - **Completed - Send Advisory Bank Statements and Ledger to CPA for 2023 Tax Returns.**
  - **Completed - Get Seed Money & Registration Money to Fieldypaa Treasurer**
  - Outstanding - Get with Bids for interest in seed money
- Additional Updates:
  - Added 2022 Tax Returns (IL & FED) to Iscypaa website under Advisory Resources
  - Added Advisory Treasurer Ledger to Iscypaa website under Advisory Resources
  - Added 2023 & 2024 Bank Statements to Advisory Share drive in Treasurer Folder
- Hotel (Tara):
  - No report
    - Jeanette - will you speak on the hotel panel? - Need to check that I can get off work but it shouldn't be a problem
    - James R - host asked about something with the hotel Wydham direct billing application - Tara is on it
- Outreach (Bill):
  - Request to vote on the outreach flyer (if a vote is needed) - vote is not needed
  - MNYPAA won ICYPAA host for 2025 - ICYPAA 65 will be held in Minnesota
  - Working with Denver Ryan to coordinate outreach efforts of Chicago ICYPAA when they re-form

<b>ISCYPAA Needs Your Help!</b>	
<b>WHAT IS ISCYPAA?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ISCYPAA is the Illinois State Conference of Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous.</li> <li>• It is an annual AA conference, organized primarily by young, recovering alcoholics.</li> </ul>	<b>"I'M NOT "YOUNG".</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ISCYPAA is a conference for any and all AA members.</li> <li>• Young people in AA is defined as young at heart and having room to grow spiritually. That's everyone!</li> </ul>
<b>WE NEED BIDS!</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A bid is a service committee that attempts to bring ISCYPAA to their local area.</li> <li>• Each bid committee does this by trying to fulfill certain requirements and by presenting their bid at ISCYPAA in attempt to host the next year's conference.</li> </ul>	<b>WHY BID?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It's a great way to get into service!</li> <li>• It's a lot of fun!</li> <li>• Bidding can help you grow in your recovery.</li> <li>• Bidding is another way to carry the message.</li> </ul>
<b>QUESTIONS?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reach out to the ISCYPAA Advisory Council</li> <li>• Send an email to <a href="mailto:iscypaa@gmail.com">iscypaa@gmail.com</a></li> <li>• Call Bill S., Advisory Outreach Chair at xxx-xxx-xxxx</li> </ul>	

- Archives (Brian):
  - Motion for Archives Storage is in old business to be discussed. Reached out to Sean M. Hosts Archives chair and we will be in contact after their vacation. Will schedule a subco for the social media next week.
  
- Webmaster (Tim):
  - James R. and I put the financial information on the website (i.e. 2022 Tax Returns and Advisory Treasurer Ledger)
  
- Trusted Servants (Mike, Meg, Rian, Michelle, Katelyn, Peyton, and Murphy):
  - Peyton -
    - Attended QUINCYPAA BM on Sunday, 6/30
    - Finished outreach flyer
    - Attended Subco on 7/8/24
    - Signed up to be a panelist for 2 of the info sessions
    - Put Sean in touch with CINCYPAA. They had reached out to me asking if ISCYPAA would take a hospitality slot.
    - Shared our list of speakers and tapes that we went through last year with the current Host Committee
    - Talked to Sean re: Sam's Club
  - Meg - attended PRAIRYPAA's first bonfire event
    - Meg to contact the PRAIRYPAA treasurer to see if they are interested in seed money

## Old Business

- Archives storage (Brian)
  - *Motion: motion to make the following updates to the advisory bylaws:*
    1. Update the prudent reserve to \$30,000 from \$28,000 to include 2 years of storage business expenses. Line item to be changed will be advisory business expenses from \$5,000 to \$7,000 (Section 4a)
    2. Archivist duties will include: Selects a climate controlled storage facility within \$1,000 budget annually in which to store the ISCYPAA Archives. Additionally will be 1 of 2 key holders to archives storage.
    3. Chairperson duties will include: Will be 1 of 2 key holders to archives storage.
    4. The updated prudent reserve will be filled after the next host committee's 10% of net profit disbursements.
      - Seconded - Savannah
  - Discussion:
    - Brian - primarily about safety and security of archives storage (someone's house vs. a climate controlled facility); secondly, for reasons of insurance a storage facility is covered by default; the \$1000 annual budget is there because it is adjusted for inflation - I personally found rates below the proposed annual budget
    - James R - motion is very well thought out but I think generally speaking we cannot rely on the goodwill of advisory members to be holding on to these things and assuming they have space - in support of the motion
  - Vote - 11 votes in favor, motion passes unanimously

## New Business

- Social Media (Brain) -
  - Plan subcommittee - *Tabled*
- SIB Alternative list - 4th spot (James P)
  - This was previously tabled at the 5/4/24 business meeting
  - Tim - I've heard in the past the comment about if your sobriety changes, your experience in the program doesn't. If someone is in active relapse, I would say they shouldn't be called back up. If not, I don't think the knowledge of hosting goes away.
  - James P - for now, leave the alternate list as is, with Margot removed, and after a subco, we can discuss this again in new business
- Changing when Host's elections to Advisory are (at the conference instead of before) (Couple of people)
  - Tradition has been that elections take place at the open

- No response in support of this
- Changes to bid requirements - having some of them be “suggested” instead of “required” (Tim)
  - Savannah - Do you have actual details on what you would want suggested. Tim - all of them but will accept some if that is needed
  - Peyton - How would you propose this be portrayed to the bids. I am concerned that there is room for confusion - if it is suggested in the bid packet, but then we hold it against a bid that they do not meet a requirement, this could be confusing. Tim - Add a disclosure to the packet that says, “Advisory takes many things into consideration when selecting a bid. Preference may be given to bids who complete more requirements than others.”
  - James R - Recommend a subco to provide more context on this - the way the packet is written now, it is meant to help keep the bids accountable. Seeing another version of the packet would be helpful. Tim - gave example about SWISYPAA regarding no letter from DCM in area/no hotel in area
  - James P - I think the solution has to do more with the last line in the bid requirements. “\*\*\*All bidding cities must meet all of the above requirements in order to place a bid. In the event that a requirement is not met, the bid will only be accepted if there are no complete bids being presented.” - either take this line out or change the wording.
  - Peyton - Maybe the answer is a combination of both James P and Tim’s solution. I also agree with Jame R about financial autonomy and the hotel contract being a must.

#### Guest Q&A

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#### Announcements

- **Next business meeting is August 1st @ 8pm on zoom.**
- **Illinois State Conference is August 23-25.**
- **Host is having a water balloon fight and bbq on Saturday 7/21/24 - flyer is on the facebook site**
- **James R attending SLOUYPAA event at Top Golf on 7/13**
- **QUINCYPAA hosting a paintball party on 9/22/24 in Maywood, MO (pre-pay by 8/9/24)**
- **PRAIRYPAA has monthly bonfires every month on Friday nights - Meg will put in the group chat**
- **SIL area 21 assembly is on 9/26/24; not sure if host will be there. Peyton is attending and will be outreaching.**

Motion to close. So moved. Seconded. Motion carries.

Meeting closing time: 9:21PM