

Steering Committee Meeting
October 31, 2015
Fresno, Ca

Meeting convened at 8:04 p.m.

Traditions: Read by Kelly M.

Roll Call: 27 of 83 present

Minutes Approval: August Stockton Steering Committee minutes approved

Treasurer: Colleen M.

We have 302 pre-registrations, 72 paypal, and 110 onsite registrations. Total registration amount as of last night is \$6,852. The marathon meetings took in \$47.95. Expenses to date are \$6,238.53. The report on the use of Square shows a net take of \$365.68 of which \$35 was for free drawing and \$340 for registrations. The Santa Rosa host hotel is going to be converted into low income housing. I found a hotel in Rohnert Park about a nine minute drive from the conference site.

Coastal Secretary: Linda G.

I have flyers available for San Ramon Conference. I will wait until after to holidays to send out the flyer mailings. I will be purchasing a collapsible hand truck for moving supplies. I will be attending the San Ramon planning meeting next month and I plan to attend the next Santa Rosa planning meeting also next month.

Interior Secretary: Woody R.

I e-mailed the minutes to the listed Steering Committee members on 6/08/15. I have selected three panelists for Sunday's All Services Panel. The topics will be AAWS Literature, The AA Grapevine/La Vina and The Corrections Correspondence Service. I submitted suggestions and edits for the NCCAA Policy and Structure and the Host Committee Guidelines. I attended host committee meeting in San Ramon.

Young People's Secretary: Chau Marie G.

I sent 198 mailing to Group Delegates. Only a small number came back for bad addresses.

I've been attending host committee meetings in San Ramon and Fresno. I went to the YPAA event in Stockton earlier this month. Today we have Fresno and surrounding YPAA's to participate in this weekend's conference. Group delegates can now register on the NCCAA website. Please register to enable me to send group mailings electronically.

Good News Editor: Colleen M.V

Vacant position. We are looking for an editor to take on this position.

Tape Librarian: David Lester:

We are looking for some women speakers and more speaker submissions. David showed a sample poker chip with NCCAA on it and coffee cup with NCCAA on it as possible souvenir items for 2017.

Archivist: Peter M.

The webmaster and I have been working on scanning old Good News newsletters. We added 25 new issues. We are still missing some newsletters from 1950's. I visited the Monterrey Central Office and brought the NCCAA display to the Monterrey Roundup. Let me know if you would like a display at your local events. At the Santa Cruz Central Office I found more Good News history items. Next year the National Archives Conference will be in CNCA and I hope to be able to attend that. I hope to conduct an oral history interview with George D about NCCAA history. George spoke at NCCAA in 1971 and 1995.

Webmaster: Michael B.

All NCCAA job descriptions are on our website. The conference program is now on the NCCAA website and is available for access by your smart phone. It took a lot of work scanning newsletter documents but they are now available on the website. A few delegates registered on the site. Some emails received on the website concern outside issues. We will only put information on our site that is related to A.A. and approved by the body.

H&I Liaison: Jeff N.

H&I panel this morning. H.E. N. will take over my role beginning at San Ramon Conference. Gary H. asked for help in finding a CNIA liaison.

CNCA Liaison: JoAnn L.

We are assisting with today's inventory.

CNIA Liaison: Kelly M.

Our elections Assembly will be held in Fresno in November to elect our panel 66 trusted servants and we are looking forward to assisting with today's inventory

Spanish Community Liaison: Juan Saul-Garica

Not present

Alanon Liaison: Bonnie M.

Alcoholism is a disease powerful enough that can kill people that don't have it. We are happy to be apart of NCCAA. I have been attending the host committee meetings and Alanon members have been volunteering.

ASL: Sonja C:

Sonja is on board for this and San Ramon Conference. We will discuss future conferences later today. Sonja distributes NCCAA information to various Deaf Community organizations in hopes that it will draw more deaf members to our events.

Conference Reports:

Fresno: Joe G.:

We had hoped for better numbers. Things are going well. We reached out to the outlining areas to participate in this conference. We have an panel on Saturday titled "People who would not normally mix". We attempted to get a deaf person to moderate but we were unable so. We have a good panel of speakers lined up to share about their difficulties integrating into mainstream A.A. About 40 people attended the movie on Friday night. A Halloween Costume contest will be held later tonight. Some complaints received about the coffee provided last night. Hospitality room has pumpkins. Members can bring their own carved pumpkins for display. We will have a carved pumpkin contest this weekend.

San Ramon: Dan K.

More volunteers are stepping up. I'm learning a lot. We will be fundraising to help pay for the D.J. Flyers are available this weekend. We will be active with outreach. Please pre-register.

Santa Rosa: Keith H. Arnie Co Chair

Working with YPAA for dance. My first time with this

NCCAA Chairperson: Shaun G.

I respond to emails immediately. Last three conferences had few new members on their host committee's. Many older members are slowing down not returning. We need more newer members willing to step up for host committee service work. I strongly suggest new host committee meetings beginning eight months out. The Host Committee Guidelines and Responsibilities have been updated and can be found on our website. Please read them at your host planning meetings. If you are a Chair, please attend every planning meeting. If you can't, please don't make yourself available. Every host committee chair needs to be accountable. Please be mindful of the commitment. Attendance is down and costs have been going up. We did not make our room commitment of 75 per night for this hotel. We had 63 for Friday and 66 for Saturday. The cost of our main room is reduced by the room reservations. The conference does not receive credit to late room reservations. Our 70th Anniversary Celebration proposals was read and discussed. This item will be discussed more at Stockton Steering Committee in January.

Good New subscriptions are low. At the end of this conference 75 subscriptions will drop off. We will be down to a dozen subscriptions after January. We want to consider making the newsletter available electronically. It is not cost effective to continue as is.

Old Business:

We need a Good News Editor. The winter issue is pending. We need two new members for the Speaker Selection Committee

New Business:

Election for NCCAA Chair person will be held in San Ramon.

Meeting closed with the Lords Prayer.

Yours in Service

Woody R.
NCCAA Interior Secretary.