

ECCNA 21
February 26, 2017

The monthly meeting of the Host Committee of ECCNA 21 was held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Old Saybrook, CT

Attendance: Elizabeth E, Chair, Joey C, Vice Chair, Gail S, Treasurer, Jason L, Programming, Aile H, Arts & Graphics Chair, Al D, Site Liaison, Brian M, Marathon Meeting Chair, Amanda H, Entertainment & Fundraising Chair, Billy L, Merchandise Chair

Elizabeth E, Chair opened the meeting at 5:06 pm with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer.

Mike R read the 12 Traditions of NA
Jason L read the 12 Concepts of NA

Gail S read minutes of last meeting.

Amanda H questioned whether we were holding the next monthly meeting at Conn College and/or touring the campus during their spring break. Later in the meeting it was decided to hold the next host committee meeting at the college and do the tour at the same time. ***THE NEXT ECCNA MEETING WILL BE HELD 3/26 AT THE CAMPUS AND WILL START AT 4:00 PM TO GIVE US TIME TO TOUR THE FACILITY.***

Chair Report – no written

- Get the word out!! We're getting down to the wire!
- Sending ECCNA20 merchandise down to Georgia (who will be putting a bid in at ECCNA 21 for ECCNA 22). They will sell ECCNA 20 merchandise
- Registration – please print up flyers and get them distributed. Jason L suggested Minuteman Press.
- Chicken Parmesan dinner will be held 4/22 – Back to Basics - \$15.00. Tickets have been distributed for sale.
- Pittsburg held a Dinosaur Day and will be donating \$1600 to ECCNA
- Vendors – Elizabeth and Billy are looking over six or seven vendors and deciding on two.

Jason L is looking at Hope-to-Go as our taper

Vice Chair Report – no written

Joey questioned when subcommittee meetings are being held so that she can attend. Gail questioned the \$43 mentioned in last month's minutes. Joey explained it is for our post office box rental and she paid for it. No reimbursement is necessary. (Thank you!)

Treasurer's Report – Gail S read the report. \$ income to date

Open Forum

Aile passed around samples of the graphic for the banner – one white background, one yellow background. Later in the meeting, the vote was for the yellow background graphic for the banner. There was also a discussion clarifying Aile's responsibilities as Arts & Graphics Chair and what signage is needed at the convention.

Brian M started a discussion as to whether it was feasible to hold marathon meetings seeing as regular meetings are running through midnight and we must move to another building at or before 1 am. Based on past history, marathon meetings are not well attended at ECCNA conventions. Impromptu meetings can be held in the community rooms in the dorm areas. A motion was made by Joey to eliminate the marathon meetings from the convention; seconded by Billy L. Motion passed unanimously.

Jason L announced that a lot of servers will be needed for the chicken parmesan dinner on 4/22. All host committee members are asked to show up and help. The dinner is hosted by Basically Lit Group – proceeds to be donated to ECCNA. He questioned if he should plan on a raffle – yes. A speaker will follow the dinner. After dinner, ECCNA Fundraising will host a dance (\$5 at the door).

Reports:

Auction – Chair absent. Elizabeth announced she has received several donations for the auction. Lots of help will be needed to put donations into lots as we get closer to convention.

Convention Information – Chair absent. No report.

Entertaining and Fundraising – Amanda announced \$175 was raised from the Valentine Day cookie sale. Very grateful for all the support and very excited! Juan has been asked to reserve the DJ for the Saturday night dance. Karaoke will be held Friday night.

Hospitality – Chair absent. Elizabeth E spoke with him prior to the meeting. He is lining up massage chair.

Merchandise – Billy L. Committee meets 3rd Tuesday in Middletown. His committee decided to use the dandelion logo for the pre-registration mug. The yellow background graphic of our convention logo will be used for the regular mugs. Shirts will be black with a silver logo on the back and a small "pocket" ECCNA logo on front.

Marathon – Brian M. Even though marathon meetings have been eliminated, he will still attend host committee meetings and help out wherever needed.

Programming – Jason L. Planning on a get together dinner Thursday night (6/22) and a golf fundraiser (weather permitting) Friday morning (leave campus at 8:30 am and tee off at 9).

Basic schedule - registration opens at 3. First meeting (Planting the Seeds) will be at 4. Main meeting at or around 7. He is working on piping the main meeting into jails. Karaoke Friday night. Saturday – 7 am workshop, breakfast break, 45 minute workshops throughout, one at a time, lunch break. Bid meeting will be 12:30 – 4. Simultaneously, Danny M will display NA memorabilia and there will be a History of NA presentation. The memorabilia will only be on display at this time. Workshops continue through the afternoon, dinner break, group picture will be taken before the main meeting – outside weather permitting, main meeting, auction, dance, workshops. Sunday – JFT meeting at 7, breakfast, closing speaker.

Jason is looking for recommends for “jail person” speaker for Friday night.

Serenity Keeper – Chair absent.

Site Liaison – Al D. Discussion was held regarding touring the campus and meeting there in the upcoming months. As stated previous, we will be meeting 3/26 at the campus at the Crozier-Williams Building at 4 to tour the facility. Meeting will follow directly. The next scheduled meetings (4/23, 5/28, 6/23) and any others needed, will also be held on campus. Al D discussed the “jail connection” – one jail in Virginia is set to connect. He is working on the State of Connecticut. We can get two on line at no cost and it was questioned whether we would be able to pay the fee if more wanted to connect – yes, fee is minimal.

Elizabeth asked Al to get the meal times.

Registration – Mike R stated that he has approximately 40 registered (not including the 18 day passes that came in through a fund raiser). His committee meets the 2nd Thursday at 6:00 p.m., 27 Church Lane, Montville.

Motion to close at 6:30 p.m.

In Loving Service,

Gail S