

North Louisiana Area of Narcotics Anonymous Ad-Hoc Convention Committee

March 4, 2007

- I. Open meeting with Serenity Prayer led by Greg B., Convention Chairperson
- II. Twelve Traditions read by Randy S., NLANA Chairperson
- III. Roll Call by Greg B., Convention Chairperson
 - A. All Current Officers Present
 - B. Current Officers:
 1. Chairperson, Greg B.
 2. Vice-Chair, Keith S.
 3. Treasurer, Larry D.
 4. Corresponding Secretary, Robert R.
 5. Recording Secretary, Miles O.
- IV. Secretary's Report
 - A. The minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed by attendees;
 - B. Miles requested that we follow the format suggested by the current guidelines if possible; otherwise, the information is difficult to compile into a legible format;
 - C. Miles asked if there should be a separate directory of those involved with the Ad-Hoc committee, and the group agreed that there should;
 - D. An attendance sheet was passed around;
 - E. Discussion over whether or not minutes should be emailed/snail mailed;
 - F. Motion by Keith S., Vice-Chair, Second by Randy S.:
 - Compile the minutes and distribute as requested by attendee within seven days from the meeting.
 - Motion passed unanimously.
 - G. Motion by David N., the younger, Second by Randy S.
 - Approve the Minutes from the February 18th meeting;
 - Motion passed unanimously.
- V. Treasurer's Report
 - A. Larry D. stated that the check which was written by Region for the Convention committee and made out to the North Louisiana Area will be dealt with at April's RSC as the NLANA was unable to accept the check.
- VI. Vice-Chairperson's Report
 - A. Keith S. stated that he has appointed David N., the younger to serve as Hotel Liaison, which will report to the Vice-Chair.
- VII. Subcommittee Coordinator Report
 - A. There is currently no Subcommittee Coordinator.
 - B. The group decided to request further information on this position from those currently serving on the Convention Committee in Alexandria, Louisiana prior to the April RSC. We will also be asking for their assistance in planning workshops and training for various positions as stated in the guidelines. This was later addressed in IX. Elections, B, 3.

VIII. Old Business

A. Themes

1. Theme presented by Greg B. for Tony M.: “Recovery, What a Bargain!”;
2. Robert R. suggests “Peace, Love, and NA” as a retro/tie-dye theme, the design would have a peace sign, a heart, and the NA service

symbol;

3. Sandra suggested changing the presentation of the theme from Tony M. to “Recovery, What a Concept!”

B. Randy S. states that with the pre-convention tee shirts, we can do anything we want, but the actual theme for the 2008 convention will be voted on at the April RSC.

C. Greg B. suggested that the deadline for submissions of potential themes should be our next meeting, which will be April 1, 2007. This gives us time to make a decision to present material at the April RSC the following weekend.

IX. Elections

A. Carolyn P. stated that she is interested in programming

B. David N., the younger, nominates Juli S. for subcommittee coordinator

1. Keith S. read the requirements and duties for this position from the guidelines and suggested that we request further information from Region;

2. Motion by Keith S., Second by Carolyn P.

- To have someone from Region with recent convention experience to assist with workshops and to explain the duties of this position further;
- Carolyn P. called for a vote;
- Motion passed unanimously

3. Greg B. will contact the appropriate people at the Regional level in accordance with the motion.

C. Available positions on the committee were read by Keith S. from pp. 13-27 of the current guidelines:

1. Arts & Graphics/Merchandise;
2. Programming;
3. Registration;
4. Hospitality;
5. Serenity Keepers;
6. Entertainment.

X. Motion for Break by David N., the younger, Second by Randy S.

XI. Committee Reconvened with Serenity Prayer led by Greg B., Convention Chair

XII. At the request of the committee, Keith S. read the qualifications and summary of duties for each of the Subcommittee Chair positions from the guidelines pp. 13-27.

A. Point of Information by Larry D. that the guidelines state in one spot that money handlers must have one year clean;

B. Point of Information by Steffen M. that most positions deal with money in one way or another;

C. Sandra requested that we continue with the reading of requirements at this

time;

- D. Steffen M. made a motion, second by Robert R. that:
- The committee establish clean time requirements immediately;
 - Motion passed unanimously.
- E. Juli S. suggested that only the subcommittee chairs will require clean time requirements so that anyone may serve on a subcommittee regardless of their clean date;
- F. Keith S. reminded the committee that the Executive Offices **MUST** have a minimum of three years clean with cash register experience and will be required training for operation of cash registers, etc.
- G. Robert R. made a motion, second by Sandra:
- Those serving with the Treasurer and as Chair of the Registration and Merchandising Subcommittees must have a minimum of three years clean.
- H. Keith moved that we table this until after the remaining duties and qualifications for each subcommittee chair is read;
- I. Keith continued reading the qualifications and duties of the subcommittee chairs and the subcommittee members;
- J. Qualifications and duties of the Entertainment Subcommittee read by David N., the younger.

XIII. The committee addressed Clean Time Requirements and When Clean Time Must Be in Effect

- A. Previous motion (Those serving with the Treasurer and as Chair of the Registration and Merchandising Subcommittees must have a minimum of three years clean.) still on the floor withdrawn by Robert R.;
- B. Motion by Miles O., second by Robert R.
- Those serving with the Treasurer and ALL subcommittee chairpersons must have a minimum of three years clean as of March 4, 2007;
 - Point of Information by Juli S. that these positions should have substantial clean time due to the money and also due to the tremendous responsibility of accepting a long-term position of this nature;
 - Committee voted on motion, which passed with one oppositional vote.
- XIV. Interest in Available Subcommittee Chair Positions From the Floor**
- A. Carolyn P. volunteered for Programming, Second by Randy S.
1. Carolyn stated her willingness and qualifications;
 2. Committee voted unanimously for Carolyn P. for Programming
- B. Miles O. nominated Juli S. for the Registration Subcommittee Chair, Second by Randy S.
1. Juli stated her willingness and qualifications;
 2. Committee voted unanimously for Juli S. for Registration Chair.
- C. Randy S. volunteered for Merchandise Chair, Second by Miles O.
1. Randy stated willingness and qualifications;
 2. Committee voted unanimously for Randy S. for Merchandise Chair.
- D. Current Available Positions are as follows:
1. Hospitality Chair (REQUIRED 3 YEARS CLEAN);
 2. Serenity Keepers Chair (REQUIRED 3 YEARS CLEAN);

3. Entertainment Chair (REQUIRED 3 YEARS CLEAN);

XV. Final Discussion/Announcements

- A. All ideas for logos and themes are due by our next meeting;
- B. Robert R. stated that the Registration subcommittee should begin looking at Registration Flyers to prepare for May;
- C. Robert also suggested that we look at how much time it will take to print up tee shirts as we need pre-convention shirts to sell in Alexandria in May,
Randy stated that he will follow up on this;
- D. Greg B. stated that he will contact Doug in Alexandria to try to set up the subcommittee coordinator workshop for April 7 RSC;
- E. Our next meeting will be April 1, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. unless another meeting is necessary in the interim;
- F. Motion to close by David N., the younger, Second by Randy S.

NLANA Ad-Hoc Convention Executive Committee Positions

Convention Chair.....Greg B.
Convention Vice Chair.....Keith S.
Hotel Liaison.....David N.
Treasurer.....Larry D.
Corresponding Secretary.....Robert R.
Recording Secretary.....Miles O.
Subcommittee Coordinator.....(Open Position)

Convention Subcommittee Chairs

Arts&Graphics/Merchandise Subcommittee....Randy S.
Programming Subcommittee.....Carolyn P.
Registration Subcommittee.....Juli S.
Hospitality Subcommittee.....(Open Position)
Serenity Keepers Subcommittee.....(Open Position)
Entertainment.....(Open Position)