LINCOLN SPRING FLING, INC. BOARD MEETING AND EVENT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING January 12, 2014 01:00 p.m. at The Anderson Library

As approved February 9, 2014

Tom B. called meeting to order at 1304 hrs.

Board Members present: Neil L., Paul R., Tom B., Fritz Mc., Carole Mc., Jim H., Vickie P.

Board Members absent: Steve H.

Steering Comm. Chairs Present: Georgian L., Dale R., Bonnie H., Tom B., Paul R., Carole Mc., Vickie P.

Others Present: RoAnn K., Adam Y, Carl W.

Secretary's Report:

Paul reported he did not have the minutes from the last meeting completed for presentation.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Neal presented a written report for December 2013. Beginning balance was \$4365.15 and ending balance was \$4436.54. Most significant expense was the \$60 for the annual Post Office Box fee. Income reported was \$131.39. This included \$0.39 for interest on the bank account and \$51 pre-registrations, \$60 general donations and a \$20 website fee donation.

Neil also reported Pete M. travel expenses would be \$417 for flight and parking from Florida. Neil is projecting total travel expenses for the speakers being around \$1707.50. This includes the estimated \$300 for the speaker driving from Iowa.

Carole Mc. presented a receipt in the amount of \$57.78 for reimbursement for the "Save the Date" flyer copies she and Fritz took to the Cornhusker Roundup.

Neil brought up whether or not we were going to use the same company for POS (point of sale) during the event. Paul reported that it would be Pay Pal just like the website and it would be the same account.

--Paul R. moved, Bonnie H. seconded to accept the December Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Speaker's Committee Report:</u> Dale reported John K. needs a marker board for his "Foundation" workshop. Paul reported the LEC does not have any and to rent one only a small one is available making visibility a problem. Tom suggested we focus the camera on the board and put the image up on the wall instead of the presenter. Dale will run this by John K to make sure it will be ok and if so that's how we will do it.

The groups signed on for hosting speakers are: Pete M. = Primary Purpose, Keith D. & Sue D. = Shelly's Al-Anon group, is considering the meet and greet and transport both Keith & Sue. Dale and the Speakers Committee will Chair the meeting with Keith D, and Shelly's Al Anon group tentatively will chair Sue D. John K. flies in Thursday and will fly out Saturday. Whoever is transporting him will not miss any big part of LSF as the timing of his flight out of Omaha leaves enough time for them to get back to Lincoln. Rick C. is driving in from Iowa.

RoAnn K. Volunteered to make up the fruit baskets that the committee has historically given to the speakers. A budget amount of \$25 per speaker was discussed.

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<u>Entertainment Committee Report:</u> George reported their committee met January 5, 2014. She has not gotten the band contract draft from Paul R. Paul stated he had forgotten and will get that to her in the next day or two. The committee is planning on board games, cards and dice. Paul suggested inquiring at UNL for games and horseshoes we can rent as they have lots of other gear available for rental. Bonnie will see if we can use the horseshoes that the campout uses.

<u>Hospitality Committee Report:</u> Carole McC. reported Early Birds will host Thursday 4-7p and Friday 2:30-7:30p. ICAA and Principles Before Personalities are interested in host together but have not decide which time they want to do it they are tentatively lined up for Saturday 4-8p. Women's Circle of Friends (AA) and Ladies Morning Reflections (Al-Anon) are tentatively slated for Saturday 8-10a. There are two other groups also interested in hosting and she will follow up with them. Vickie said she plans to ask the Ladies Big Book Study and Jim K. will ask the Exodus Group to see if they want to host a time.

<u>Volunteer Committee Report:</u> Bonnie reported she recruited a "Greeter" person who will be in-charge of setting up the greeters.

Paul asked for all the committees to give him or Bonnie a list of all the volunteer jobs, descriptions, times and who the volunteer will report to by the end of the week so he can create the master volunteer schedule and then the volunteer committee can start recruiting. If the committee chairs do not give a list of these jobs by Friday then they will have to recruit their own.

Bonnie donated \$25 and arranged for an ad in the ICAA Annual Chili Feed program reminding folks to "save the date".

<u>Registration Committee Report</u>: Vickie reported there are now 6 people on the Registration Committee. Their next meeting is February 2, 2014.

Paul reported that the Lincoln Convention and Visitor's Bureau will make and provide banners and name badges for free. We have traditionally spent around \$100-150 for badges. Paul listed some banners: Hospitality, Central Office, Registration, Volunteer Check-In, Coffee, Lincoln Spring Fling (2), Historical, www.lincolnspringfling.com, LSF Store.

The topic of having a "cut-off" time for charging full admission and/or letting folks in early for the dance (during the last speaker) and not charging them for the speaker. Historically we have charged full admission right up to the last minute. The general consensus of this committee was to not reduce any fees. If someone comes during the last speaker and wants to be inside they would have to pay \$20 for speaker and dance. Paul pointed out that there is nearly an hour between the end of the last speaker and the start of the dance and he thinks it's unlikely anyone will come an hour early for the dance.

Scholarships will be the sole responsibility of the organizations they are for e.g. ICAA or Cornhusker Place. Individual ones that are donated to us we will hand out as folks who need them come in. The LSF committee/Registration will NOT be responsible for collecting badges and reissuing them each night for groups such as ICAA or Cornhusker Place. In the past it has been a big challenge to keep track of all of them and each year someone gets upset with the committee because one or two folks didn't get in.

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Vickie will issue ALL the scholarships for each group to one authorized representative and they will be responsible for collecting and reissuing them. The Independence Center and Cornhusker Place traditionally send a staff person/driver who can take this responsibility on.

<u>Marketing Committee Report:</u> Paul R. is the interim Chair until someone is recruited to take it on. Paul asked the chairs to send requests for banners. He will get more details about type and size from the CVB.

Paul has made numerous changes/updates to the website. The "On-Line" registration page has made but is not live yet. He still has a glitch to work out with Pay Pal and Homestead.

<u>Logistics Committee Report:</u> Paul R. reported that he has not contacted Bill at Dicobe yet. He will call him this week and get back to everyone. He will also follow up on the equipment and a sound engineer to do the recording and duplication at the event for us.

<u>Old Business:</u> Carl W. brought up we still had not voted on Matt H. for the speaker line-up in 2015. He would be the 6th speaker for that year. Because the good speakers book two years out we need to make a decision soon. The matter was discussed and tabled until the February meeting.

There was no official vote to adjourn but unanimously everyone got up and started stacking chairs so Tom closed the meeting at 1508 hrs.

Next meeting date is February 9, 2014 at Anderson Library.

Respectfully submitted by Paul Ramirez, Secretary.