LINCOLN SPRING FLING, INC. MONTHLY BOARD MEETING V. 10, 2016 01:00 p.m. at The Anderson Librar

January 10, 2016 01:00 p.m. at The Anderson Library

Vickie P. called meeting to order at 1304 hrs.

Board Members present: Vickie P., Paul R., Steve B.

Board Members absent: Fritz Mc., Carole Mc., Matt P., Sarah F.

Steering Comm. Chairs Present: Vickie P., RoAnn K., Paul R., Dawn S., Lance E., Joe E.,

Steering Comm. Chairs Absent: Sandy M., Carl W., Diane H.

Additional attendees: Kenny and Judi.

<u>Minutes:</u> The November Minutes taken by Diane H. were circulated to the Steering Committee via email on 12/22/15 and again on 1/8/16. Joe moved to approve and Steve seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Vickie P. reported that she went to the bank and authorized Steve B. to be added to the account as a signer. Vickie will get the online access login and password from Matt P. for Steve. Vickie thought the balance was still around \$5,000 but because of the recent change over of Treasurers there is no report this month.

Steve reported he and Paul have developed a preliminary budget based on previous year's expenses and income. The projected expenses will be between \$10,000 and \$11,000.

Joe gave Steve his Marketing Committee budget.

1313 hrs. Lance E. arrived.

Steve suggested we get a debit card on our checking account. This will make it easier to purchase online products such as labels, cds, and flash drives, etc. Additionally we can pay for airline tickets, hotel and supplies during the event, etc. It can also be used to secure the hotel rooms as they require a card to hold the rooms. Steve B. moved and Paul R. seconded that we obtain a debit card for our account and it will remain with the treasurer. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Secretary's Report:</u> Paul reported there was an emergency online election held by the board members to replace Vicki L. as Treasurer after she resigned from the position due to personal medical reasons. The vote was unanimous to elect Steve B. to the office of Treasurer for the remaining term of office ending June of 2016 and to the board of director term ending June 2019. This was paid for with a LSF check.

Paul filed an amended Biennial Report with the Nebraska Secretary of State on 1/4/16. The changes were removing Tom B. and Neil L. from the offices of president and treasurer respectively and from the board of directors. The changes of Vickie P. as president and Steve B. as treasurer were also made. Additionally Steve H. and Jim K. were removed as directors.

Paul R. met with Steve B. on 12/18/15 at Perkins and turned over all the finance files from Vicki L., the new box of checks. They discussed the creation of a budget for the Steering committee with a status of where each committee is currently. Additionally Paul gave Steve a copy of the post office box key and the login's and passwords to PayPal and Google. Additionally a copy of the By-Laws and an outline of the Treasurer's duties was forwarded to Steve via email on 1/4/16.

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Paul paid POB annual fee of \$66 was paid on 1/4/16 with a LSF check. Craig L.P. was still the contact on the account which has been incorrect for nearly 15 years. Paul changed it his name and address as the registered agent with the Secretary of State.

The Anderson Library conference room is confirmed through April. A request for the room for May, June and July was sent 1/5/16. Confirmation for May was received but we have to request June and beyond after April 1, 2016.

Entertainment Report: Lance reported they are working on scheduling the entertainment for SF 2016. Currently we have inquiries in with Bob Perkell a seriously funny recovery comedian from Huntington Beach CA. He has a booking in Wichita KS on the 8th so we are checking to see if he could drive up for our event the next week and possibly stay with someone in the program to save on cost. He has a teleconference scheduled with him on Monday to discuss this further and to negotiate price.

Young Peoples Meeting formed a sub-committee and started planning the dance for Friday night.

The Ice Cream social is a go for Thursday night.

Open mic night is a go same as last year. Paul suggested they name it the "Entertainment or Music" Open Mic. This will eliminate any confusion about it not being an opportunity for folks to share their personal stories. Everyone agreed.

1330 hrs. RoAnn and Judi arrived.

Lance will confirm with Tom W. to be one of the singers for the Music Open Mic. Paul also suggested he would be an excellent M.C. if they needed one for that activity.

Joe has raised the question about changing the logistics of audio sales after the last speaker on Saturday. Historically, whether DICOBE or LSF did it, there is a great deal of commotion around the audio area which has to be close to the stage. There always is a long line that lasts a good 30 minutes, of people coming to talk to the last speaker, thank them and shake hands. This is also a commotion that would interfere with the next activity if it were to start immediately after the last speaker were done. Joe proposes holding off the sales until after the comedian is done. This could help with production. It would allow the last CD's to be burned and the final file to be loaded onto the flash drives without the stress of 100 people waiting to pick them up. It may be an issue with those who don't want to stay. One option for them is to pay the shipping and handling fee and we mail it to them. Last year I personally delivered about 35 sets to save us a lot in postage.

It was decided when the last speaker is done we take a 30 minute break for traditional hand shaking receiving line. Throughout the weekend when we make stage announcements and at the time of presales we tell folks they will be able to pick up their recordings "after the comedian". This will allow for production to have all the CD's and flash drives ready for pick up.

<u>Volunteer Report:</u> Dawn reported she has the volunteer positions needed for pop sales, greeters and coffee. The committees will need to get their own volunteers as in previous years but Dawn will

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coordinate the schedule and help fill in the gaps. She will also take care of the volunteer appreciation during and post event. Dawn stated she will get two volunteers per shift for pop sales.

Dawn likes the "Sign Up Genius" free website and plans on implementing that this year.

Dawn brought up the issue of the coffee pots not working right causing it to be difficult to keep up with demand. Paul said he will confirm with LEC that this will not happen again.

Dawn said she will be at the event the entire time for all three days.

Dawn asked that the "contact us" link on the website for volunteers go to her gmail account. Paul said he will confirm that is done.

<u>Marketing Report:</u> Joe reported a quarter page ad has been purchased and placed in the Independence Center Chili Feed booklet.

Numerous attempts have been made to get a schedule that is finalized. A special meeting was held that was not particularly productive.

We are officially a month behind in marketing this event than we were this time last year. There is no flyer, no poster, the website is not up-to-date and no packages have been mailed to surrounding areas. ALL of these things were done by this time last year and flyers were being placed in the rooms as of now.

I need to be reimbursed from AUGUST for the Save the Date flyers and will also need to be reimbursed for the Chili Feed ad.

We should have enough cups to sell left over from last year, so there are no plans to produce more.

As soon as some sort of schedule is finalized I we will work as quickly as possible to get the registration flyers produced. Updating the website will follow and then producing a poster.

The was much discussion about the open slot on Friday at 3 p.m., Saturday at 1:30 p.m., Carl had reported to Paul earlier that LeeAnn's husband, an Alanon, would be willing to speak but they have to leave early Saturday morning. RoAnn moved and Paul seconded the motion was carried unanimously to make the Saturday 9 a.m. slot a local AA speaker, move "The Family Afterwards" workshop to Saturday 1:30 p.m. and put LeeAnn's husband into the open Friday 3 p.m. slot.

1406 hrs Kenny left.

Here is the schedule thus far:

Thursday

5:30 p.m. "Steps 1 & 2" Keith M. (AA) Delray Beach, FL

7:30 p.m. Speaker LEE ANN Y. (AA) Lakeside, CA

9:00 p.m. Ice Cream Social (All You Can Eat \$4.00)

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Friday

10 a.m. "Step 3" Lee Ann Y. (AA) Lakeside, CA

11:30 a.m. "Serenity Prayer Workshop" Diane S. (AFG) Boca Raton, FL

12:30 p.m. BREAK

1:30 p.m. "Doing the Fourth Step Out of the Book" Roy T. (AA) Manhattan, NY

3:00 p.m. Speaker (LeeAnn Y's Husband) (AFG) Lakeside, CA

5:30 p.m. Speaker JUANITA U. (AFG) Albuquerque, NM

7:00 p.m. BREAK

8:00 p.m. Speaker ROY T. (AA) Manhattan, NY

9:30 p.m. DANCE w/D.J.

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Saturday

9:00 a.m. Local AA Speaker (To be announced)

10:30 a.m. Speaker KEITH M. (AA) Delray Beach, FL

12:00 p.m. BREAK

1:30 p.m. "The Family Afterwards" Tom & Juanita U. (AA/AFG) Albuquerque, NM

3 p.m. Speaker DIANE S. (AFG) Boca Raton, FL

4:30 p.m. MUSIC OPEN MIC & BREAK (Enjoy some food, music and fellowship)

6:30 p.m. AA & AL-ANON Countdown

7:00 p.m. Speaker TOM U. (AA) Albuquerque, NM

9:00 p.m. RECOVERY COMEDIAN (Name to be announced)

SPEAKERS

Roy T. (AA) Manhattan, NY Lee Ann Y. (AA) Lakeside, CA Keith M. (AA) Delray Beach, FL Tom U. (AA) Albuquerque, NM Juanita U. (AFG) Albuquerque, NM Diane S. (AFG) Boca Raton, FL TBA (AA) Lincoln, NE

<u>Hospitality Report:</u> RoAnn stated she wants to make sure the electrical will not be a problem like last year. Paul reported that all that was confirmed several times but the LEC dropped the ball. They did make adjustments to our bill to compensate us for this problem. Paul said he will speak directly to their engineer before the event to make certain it doesn't happen again.

The Hospitality committee will recruit 1-2 "Coffee Captains" to organize it, recruit volunteers and make sure it runs well all three days.

She also asked for any attendance numbers from previous years so she can try to plan volunteers. Paul said he has those and will email them to her.

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<u>Logistics Report:</u> Paul reported he has volunteered to resume the chair position as Phil has asked to step down but continue to be on the committee. He wanted another year of serving on the committee before being chair.

The Consent & Release forms for the speaker recordings were sent out to the current six speakers for their approval. Tom, Juanita, Diane and Roy have all confirmed they will allow us to record and sell their stories and workshops.

The issue of the coffee pots not working right and it being difficult to keep up with demand because of it during Dawn's Volunteer report. Paul said he will confirm with LEC that this will not happen again.

Paul will book a walk through the week of April 4-8 around 4pm. If it's later or on the weekend we have to pay for their representative to be there.

Paul said there will be signage and announcements from the stage if anyone got bad audio that we can replace it for free.

1430 hrs. Judi left.

<u>Registration Report:</u> Diane H. emailed Vickie and Paul saying she had to work and will not be at this meeting.

<u>Speakers Report:</u> Carl W. called Steve and Paul to say he had to work and would not be able to attend today's meeting. He reported S\speakers have all chosen their workshops. Lee Ann's husband will be coming with her if we need another AFG speaker she offered him up.

Paul has contacted Omaha Alanon/Alateen, Ruth in Grand Island, Judy the Alateen District Person in Lincoln, Paula McD. In Omaha and Sandy M in Seward to get potential names for Alateen Speakers. One thought was to split the hour between two teens. This might make it easier for them to speak in front of 300 people. It also gives a second perspective. The idea was met with all positive comments. The meeting would not stop and restart in between. We would just introduce the second speaker after the first one sits down. No one has gotten back to him with any suggested speakers and their contact information. During the Marketing report it was decided to drop the Alateen speaker this year and utilize Lee Ann's husband and a local A.A. speaker (to be determined).

Alanon Report: No report.

<u>Old Business:</u> Paul moved and Lance seconded to elect Dawn S. to the position of President Elect for the remaining term from now until June 2016 and to the board of directors for a four year and 3 month term ending June of 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

Steve moved and Lance seconded to adjourn, motion carried unanimously at 1440 hrs.

Next meeting is February 14, 2016 at Anderson Library.

Respectfully submitted by Paul Ramirez, Secretary.