Knoxville Area Subcommittee Meeting 10-16-21

Unfortunately, I was late to this month's ASC meeting and I missed roll call. I deeply apologize for my tardiness.

Reports:

Secretary: last month, there was discussion about removing money for events like KACNA and ROR from personal bank accounts and putting them back into the Area's bank account. H&I needs support. KACNA is officially not happening this year. ROR has been rescheduled for next year. Justin C was voted in as Vice Chair. Joe S was nominated for Area Treasurer. We have some position vacancies: Alt RCM, Activities, and Secretary (I am looking for a replacement). Nightshift made a motion to reestablish Activities as its own subcommittee and nominated Robert "Cash" P as Activities Chair; both of these went back to groups and will be voted on today.

RCM: The VRSC last met on August 1st, with most subcommittee chairs and all 8 voting area RCMs in attendance, either in person or via zoom (*ETROR proxied by MANA RCM).

There were several discussion topics brought up during open forum.

- 1) Whether to continue with efforts to organize VRC 40 in GMANA for 2022 in spite of low participation and high costs. The decision was made to allow Donald S. to continue to pursue hotel contracts and form a committee, and the subject would be revisited during the November RSC.
- 2) Whether or not to allow the inclusion of votes proxied to another area's RCM from an area of the region that is not eligible for quorum. Since guidelines state that votes are cast by "persons present", it was decided to include the proxied area's reports in the VRSC minutes but that their votes would not be tabulated.
- 3) The option to hold the VRSC over a 2-day period. Given the volume of information and business discussed, the option to hold the VRSC over 2 separate days has been brought up. No action was taken due to a lack of enthusiasm for the idea. Suggestions were made as to how to improve the efficiency of the current format. Its my personal belief that filling the secretary and vice chair positions would have a significant impact.
- 4) There was a brief discussion regarding home groups hosting hospitality suites at VRC. It was suggested that home groups wanting to do this not advertise their efforts as being part of the convention, for liability reasons. (Discussing things like this is why the RSC takes 8+ hours)
- 5) P&P discussed options for a regional inventory.

The treasury received deposits totaling \$7,970.00 between May and August. After expenses and prudent reserves were met, the VRSC was able to send a check to NAWS in the amount of \$9,831.86.

There were 3 motions brought before the body.

- 1) To direct Donald S. to pursue a contract with The MIllennium Maxwell House, to be presented to the VRSC in November. PASSED
- 2) Nomination for Hannah M. for regional secretary. BACK TO GROUP
- 3) To donate \$499.00 to the SZF. PASSED

There were no new reports from the RD team this cycle.

VRC 39 is scheduled for November 25th-28th, at the University of Memphis Holiday Inn. Links to register and book a room are on the VRSC website, natennessee.org. Thanks for allowing me to serve.

H&I: Struggling to find women to go to The Village. New Hope is interested in H&I involvement. No report otherwise.

PR: Next meeting is Nov 5 6pm. Looking for support. Making phone line cards, more meeting schedules, and stickers to be brought to next ASC meeting. Please ensure you have permission before putting up stickers. A motion will be made in New Business for \$600 for presentation materials. The reprieve is closing at the end of October; any meeting changing locations will need to report new address to PR as soon as possible for the meeting schedule.

Treasurer: We currently have \$2459.47 in excess funds. The audit has begun. Our bank account is tied to an individual's SS# instead of a tax ID #. Joe suggests we establish KANA as a nonprofit entity with a 501C3. This idea has been brought up before. The literature committee was disbanded as a result of tax issues. RCM will ask Region for information regarding 501C3; it will cost money that we will need to have set aside before we begin the process, before sending money to Region.

KACNA: nothing to report.

ROR: not present.

P&P: nothing to report.

Outreach: nothing to report. If we need to do a GSR orientation, we will.

KAZM: up and down. Sometimes people show up, sometimes no one does. Blake would like to close meeting, as its initial purpose has been fulfilled. Unless someone has the willingness to chair regularly.

Old Business:

Joe S for Area Treasurer. Not willing unless we switch to 501C3. TABLED.

Hannah M as Regional Secretary: Motion passed.

Reestablish Activities as a subcommittee: motion passed.

Robert "Cash" P for Activities Chair: motion passed.

Open Forum:

Quickbooks (the software used for Treasurer purposes) is increasing in price from \$5 to \$35/month.

ROR money needs to be given to Area; a check will be brought to next ACS meeting.

Blake is still treasurer, therefore it is okay to venmo money to him.

Over prudent money is to be split between PR and Region.

New Business:

Motion made: \$600 to PR for presentation materials, with the intent to spread NA information to hospitals, law enforcement, etc. TAKE BACK TO GROUPS.

Motion made: 6 months of new Quickbooks subscription price; \$210. Motion passed. Questions posed whether 50% discount on QB price is an ethical decision to make, because discount is through Blake's personal business service. Area found it to be fine.

Group Reports:

LRG: new GSR. struggling financially and needs meeting support. New GSR orientation scheduled for 9am Nov 20th, before ASC Meeting.

Primary Purpose: no more free coffee, as kitchen is being remodeled.

Nightshift: The Reprieve clubhouse is closing at the end of October; looking for a new location.

Hugs: meets saturday 7:30-9pm with a 6-7pm book study. Last thursday of the month is an Eat n

Speak.

Nickel&Dime: great attendance, selling lots of newcomer packages.

RAW: needs support, or will have to close meeting.

Let Go: needs support OM24: needs support

Glow in the Dark: Halloween Costume Party Oct 29th 7-midnight.

Activities needs a subcommittee.