

Finance and Budget Monthly Meeting March 2023

March 15, 2023

Present:

Chair: Reino F.

Treasurer: Catherine G.

SCAP Chair: Ron S.

Past Delegate: Paul M

Alt. Treasurer: Aliciea M.

District 40 DCM: Doug D.

Secretary needed for F&B

Elected Aliciea M. as secretary

Opened with Serenity Prayer

Review 2024 Convention budget & contract

Mood Gardens contract is January 19-21, 2024

Joel Garza is our Convention Chair

No need to worry about insurance for convention per convention contract

Doug asked if the DJ needing insurance, Reino said he didn't see anything about the DJ needing insurance.

Concern about coffee budget of \$10,000 the actual was \$7,900.

2022 convention budget was \$15,000

Catherine asked about raising price of coffee tag. Reino said yes, three types of tags.

- Buy a cup
- Buy a mug
- Buy something bigger

Need coffee stations to keep track of coffee that is delivered. Have policy in place to keep coffee in order.

Aliciea asked if we will have coffee kitty set out and was told yes, more than likely will have them placed in coffee area.

2020 Convention coffee was \$23/gallon now it is \$55/gallon. Inflation.

Reino has a request – hotel is asked what are we going do. Reino would like to see us sign contract so we can move forward. Catherine asked if Reino felt comfortable all contract questions answered. Reino said yes, not shooting from hip. Reino seen actual contract and did digging with previous convention chairs.

Paul mentions the final treasurers report from Galveston convention. Speaker reception almost \$2,300 for food/beverage budget. Make sure we have a signer for coffee deliveries. Coffee Committee.

Catherine states if Reino is comfortable let's sign the contract.

Unanimously voted yes. Kris H. voted yes by proxy.

Joel will get a txt about our vote so we can move forward. He may need a deposit from Catherine.

Discussion of 2024 Budget Progress

Most budget committee members were at budget meeting. Alt-Chair was absent.

Don't have official proposed budget from Serge or Art.

Proposed budget so far is \$77,297 increase of 2% from last year and will have to get around \$35,000 from unrestricted funds.

Need to confirm information about what committee can go to annual committee workshops.

Catherine states there is a line for travel. CFC Travel/lodging, CFC has own checkbook & after end of year send a total to Area Treasurer to write a check for their budget.

Archives has put in \$650 for Canada travel. Budget was \$550 total is \$1200.

IT was \$400/\$450 now \$1500/\$450 total \$1950.

\$1650 for SWRAASA

TFC – Bridge The Gap – Hosting in Houston. (not spending money)

Catherine states the Committee chairs that attend conventions for their committee will need to know that we (Area) can't afford to send them or to Regional Forum.

For TFC we would like the \$1000 explained.

Catherine states she hopes groups start contributions again.

A/V current proposed budget is \$7,500.

Going hybrid doubled our cost.

Alicia mentions doing away with hybrid (a/v) all together.

Deborah needs to get archives together for insurance purposes.