

Multi-zonal Learning Days Workgroup Skype Minutes Tues April 16, 9:30pm

Opened with moment of silence and serenity prayer

Members present: Barry B., Pat P., Daniel C., Amanda M., Mary B., Cindi B. Jayson G.

WORKGROUP REPORTS

Hospitality/Hotels/Location/Facilities – Mary B. & Pat P.

- Discussion of location included the area/region that had the greatest need, cost of flights and location central in all 3 zones. Proposal Request will be sent to Indianapolis, St. Louis, Cincinnati and Louisville. Looking for an average of 150 - 200 room nights to cover majority of cost of conference rooms, banquet facilities and room rates at about \$100 per night or less.
- Later discussion evolved into decision to have a timeline of event for September 2014. This would be after the conference when the new IDTs are available, any conference decisions would be out, and NAWS would be completing their end of conference projects, etc.

Programming – Amanda M. & Daniel C.

- Bob G. is definitely interested in helping with Programming. Not available for call tonight.
- Discussion to have several (possibly 3) that could include workshops on Concepts, Behind the Walls, Resources in your Community. Workshops would need to attract local fellowship, new members to service, experienced service enthusiasts and even more progressive members willing to share their ESH.
- Would like to have a “sample” of an agenda of some kind that would include schedule of events for the weekend, sample of workshops, etc.

Resources/NAWS – Barry B. and Cindi B.

- NAWS contact does not need to be made until event is actually scheduled. Reassurance given that because this is a “multi-zonal” event, highest priority would be given from office.
- Budget to be developed for \$ and number of people needed at event.
- Later discussion included idea to have webpage with application to get pre-registrations to help with fund flow prior to event and possibility of selling t-shirts not just as a fund raiser but more as an awareness raiser prior to event to generate excitement.

Technology – Barry B. and Daniel C.

- Possible technology ideas included Skype, live audio stream over phone or internet, and what kind of technology needs might be needed at event to support workshops, speakers, etc.

Purpose – Everybody

- Ideas started as “multi-zonal opportunity for exchange and learning between seasoned and newer members”, talk of the “magic” that happens with the diversity of members across multiple zones meet in person, being part of the “bigger whole”, the exchange of ideas of meetings and service and how different the delivery of our message can be even when we have the same purpose, the idea that these kind of events are “life changing” not only for the members attending the life of the NA communities that are affected by the local of the event and what is brought back to the NA communities by those that attend the event
- Email exchange for brainstorming of purpose can occur before next meeting

Next meeting – Tuesday, April 30th, 9:30 p.m., C.S.T.