HAWS Minutes for 3/11/2018

Keywords: Convention bids, elections, guidelines and bylaws changes

Meeting opened with the serenity prayer at 9:43 am.

Attendance

Ole C. (Phoenix, AZ), Chris G. (Phoenix, AZ), Ian F. (Prescott, AZ), Jason S. (Phoenix, AZ), Izzy R. (Las Vegas, NV), Melinda M. (Phoenix, AZ), David S. (Phoenix, AZ), Mike L. (Phoenix, AZ)

David motions to have Melinda represent Faith’s vote. The motion passes.

Tradition: Tradition 3 was read.

Previous minutes read

There was a motion to accept the previous minutes and the motion passed.

Treasurer’s Report (Josh Q.)

- Prudent reserve: $6000.00
- Beginning balance: $9,353.04
- Ending balance: $10,252.27

Webmaster Committee Report (Meagan F.)

Chris will ask Meagan if she got the PDF images for the literature section of the web site from Faith yet.

Chips and Literature Committee Report (Faith B.)

Faith was not present but she sent Melinda M. to deliver her report.

Melinda has money for the treasurer but he is not present so she will return it to Faith.

A large literature order was made. There will be a large chip order in April.

Mark received startup kit requests from the UK and Calgary (Canada).

They received an amends for $73.

They are receiving many chip orders. Sales for February are up significantly from last year.

Faith made free shipping for orders under 1 dollar instead of 6.
$0.30 chip orders are still coming in so Faith is trying to figure out why. She is reaching out to PayPal.

David suggests being careful about ordering more literature because it could change at the conference. Ian says he isn’t sure what literature will be done by the conference.

Writing Committee (Ian F.)

Ian received another pamphlet submission from the fellowship to be reviewed.

Ian talked to Aiden about the Mainline. An e-mail was sent out about the HAWS positions that will soon be empty. Chris mentioned that he felt the e-mail was inappropriate. Ian will take this into consideration for the future.

The Mainline has been a little inconsistent recently but hopefully this will be alleviated soon.

Structure and Bylaws Committee (David S.)

David would like to include a new section about voting in the guidelines. Perhaps, there should be 2/3 of the voting board members present to do business. Also, he would like to include something regarding proxies when a member is absent and they’ve sent someone to vote on their behalf.

Jason suggests that David makes a new set of bylaws. The current document is guidelines.

David is going to split the current document into bylaws and guidelines.

Convention Chair (Paul F.)

No changes.

They have $5,012.00 in the account.

They’re working a link for the convention schedule on the convention page.

There are currently 41 people registered for the convention.

Conference Chair (Sharmyn T.)

Report from David S.: The conference committee does not have a budget yet. They want one more month to finalize it. They’re going to propose around $3,500. Keep in mind that this would be the highest dollar amount. Some individuals may not want or need the funds.

Last month, 3 different areas with delegates called in to the conference committee meeting.

They filled the finance chair position. Everything is filled except that there is not a convention committee chair.

Old Business

David initiates conversation about whether to collect convention bids continued from last month.
Jason motions to begin taking bids for the next convention and after some discussion rescinds his motion.

David motions that we put out to the fellowship that we are open for accepting bids for the next world convention. Within the bidding guidelines on the web site, we would have a specific date as a placeholder but we would let them know that’s not necessarily the date of the convention.

The motion dies because it was not seconded.

This discussion should continue next month. In summary, one school believes that bids should be collected so that the conference can potentially look at bids and decide upon when the next convention will take place. In this case, HAWS would need to announce the collection of bids to the fellowship ASAP. However, not knowing what year the next convention would take place complicates matters. Because of these complications, the other school believes it is better to do nothing and allow the conference to dictate these directions. However, this makes a 2020 convention nearly impossible.

Ole motions to table the discussion to the next month. 1 opposes. No others oppose (5 for).

Chris and Meagan are working on a letter to the lawyer about the .com web site.

Chris volunteered to contact Josh to ask him about the conference room lease.

**New business**

We cannot vote on the new members because the board has not had the service resumes for 2 weeks. The service resumes were read and voting will occur next month.

Chris motions to close, the motion is seconded, and it passes.

**Next HAWS board meeting: Sunday, April 8th, 2018 at 9:30 am AZ time.**