

PENNSCYPAA Advisory Council Meeting Minutes  
May 1st, 2022 @ 10:00 am at Genetti

Open with Serenity Prayer

Attendance

Secretary's Minutes from January Meeting

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- Treasurer
  - No luck yet with the bank account
  - Godaddy- \$15.89 monthly
  - In bank account- \$12,676.56 after walk-through costs
  - Treasurer's report approved
- Web- Kim S.
  - Absent- no report
- Outreach- Jaimie
  - Spreading the word
- Archivist- Corey
  - Dave will have archives at Buckypaa archives event
  - Working on archives organization
  - Digitizing archives- no progress
    - Jesse offered to help
- Liaisons
  - Harrisburg- Tara
    - Receives minutes from HBG
    - Looking at venues

- Drag Bingo coming up
    - Around \$1,000 in account
  - Montco- Steph
    - Service event May 7th
  - Philly
    - Had Valentine's Day event
    - Meeting via zoom
    - Looking into scheduling next event/venue
    - Defiant Brats zoom meeting held weekly
    - Separate committee bidding for icypaa
  - Bucks
    - In touch with Dave H.
    - Archives event- upcoming
- Old Business:
  - a) Survey to be included in registration packet
    - Pete shared sample [Google Form](#)
- New Business:
  - a) Joint Event with Harrisburg and Advisory/ Host
    - HBG interested in hosting YPAA panel/ info session in Altoona
    - Discussion of avoiding favoritism
    - Motion: set aside \$500 budget for the planning and creation of an event before PENNSCYPAA
      - Motion passes
    - Jesse will spearhead planning this event with Advisory Ad hoc Subcommittee
  - Ad-Hoc Committee - By-Law Recommendations
    - Motion: Proposed change to 1.2: add the word "preferably."
      - This change would update the bylaws to reflect the current operation of the Council.
      - Motion passes- updated wording: "Vacant council seats caused either by resignation or absence from the conference may be filled by designated alternates, preferably from the area represented by the vacancy."
    - Motion: Proposed change to 3.2: remove the words "without excuse," and the sentence that follows.
      - This change would clarify advisor status as active or not.
      - Motion tabled- updated wording: "If a member fails to attend two Advisory Council meetings without excuse in any conference year, the member is disqualified from serving on the committee. Notifications of absences can only be taken by Chairperson, CoChairperson, or Secretary."
    - Motion: Proposed change to 4.1: Add host liaison to chairperson description.

- This change would update the bylaws to reflect the current operation of the Council.
    - Motion passes, updated wording: “Shall act as the Host Committee liaison to the current Host Committee for PENNSCYPAA.”
  - Motion: Proposed change to 4.2: Remove sentence from co-chair description.
    - This change would update the bylaws to reflect the current operation of the Council.
    - Passed; Updated language- ~~“Shall act as the Bid Committee liaison to all current bid committees for PENNSCYPAA.”~~
  - Motion: Proposed change to 5.2: Remove the words “other than telephone or postage.”
    - This change would update the bylaws to reflect the current operation of the Council.
    - Motion passes- Updated language- “No member of Council shall incur expenses in the Council’s name other than telephone or postage without first receiving ½’s majority of the Council.”
- Tabled:
  - Bylaws proposed changes
    - Proposed change to 6.2: add the word “suitable.”
    - Proposed Addition to 7.1: Add wording for an “Act of God.”
    - Proposed Addition to 7.1: Add wording for Advisory’s release of liability
    - Reorganize items from 7.1.
  - Group Inventory - Next Steps
- Next Meetings: Check-In - June 5th 10am Zoom
- Close with Responsibility Declaration