Sussex Area NA Brighton Rocks Recovery 2019 Convention meeting minutes

Date: 20/10/2018 11.AM Venue: Pavilions

Those present: Zoe Y (Minute secretary), Ricky H (Chair Merchandise), Phil T (Vice Merchandise), Jodie R, Nick S (Stewarding Chair), Marc S (Programming Chair), Paul C, John B (Vice Treasurer), Suzanne S-B, Cliff E, Hayley T (Convention Chair), Martin T.

Apologies received: Michelle F (Vice Area Chair), Barry K (Convention Treasurer), Steve L, Neil P.

Chair of meeting - Hayley T

Reading of 12 Concepts - Hayley T

Approval of last meetings minutes - Later approved by Hayley T

Agenda items for meeting:

- Opening treasury balance
- Positions vacant
- Venue update
- Theme
- Banking feedback from area
- Discuss raising promoting on NA website
- Costing of convention for attendees day weekend
- AOB
- Closing balance
- Next meeting date

Opening treasury balance - £9.35

Positions Vacant:

- Vice Convention Chairperson
- Arts and Graphics Chairperson (No longer required, as Suzanne S-B was voted in)
- Hospitality Chair (No longer required, as Jodie R was voted in)
- Fundraising
- Vice minute secretary
- Venue Liaison (No longer required, as chair will now liaise with confirmed venue)

Arts & Graphics Chairperson:

- Put forward: Suzanne S-B
- Seconded by: Jon B
- Suzanne S-B was unanimously voted in

Hospitality Chairperson:

- Put forward: Jodie R
- Seconded by: Jon B
- Jodie R was unanimously voted in

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Venue update:

Zoe Y & Hayley T viewed the Holiday Inn and have requested the following for the event:

Rooms available - we requested the following:

Arundel Suite – Friday half day PM, Saturday all day till 12.30 AM, Sunday half day Holds 450 people theatre style

Lancing rooms 1 & 2 – Friday half day PM, Saturday all day, Sunday half day Holds 200 people (In both rooms, can be opened to one room)

Accommodation:

- We have requested a minimum of 50 rooms at the reduced rate.

Refreshments & Food options for the event:

- We have suggested that the venue serves all refreshments and food from their facility to be able to provide us a better quote for the event, facilities include:
- -Starbucks coffee shop
- -Burger restaurant, (which also provide a buffet breakfast)

Parking:

- £13.50 all day
- £20 day & night

Dance:

We can have the Arundel suite until 12.30 AM on the Saturday night, music will need to be turned down by 12.00

Payments:

All payments are required 2 weeks prior to the event

Suggested dates and quotes are as follows:

31st - 2nd June 2019

The venue can offer us the requested function rooms for our required times at a rate of £3,450 Bedroom rate:

- £110 Single, to include breakfast
- £120 Double, to include breakfast

Unfortunately the venue are unsure if there can offer us the rooms at the above reduced rate, due to a large group making be made, for which their contract needs to be signed by the 14th November.

19th - 21st July 2019

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The venue can offer us the requested function rooms for our required times at a rate of £3,550 Bedroom rate:

- £140 Single, to include breakfast
- £150 Double, to include breakfast

This date is available with 50 rooms guaranteed at the reduced rate.

request a draft contract to bring to the next committee meeting. (Completed).

We discussed as a committee which dates would be suitable, and voted on the 19th – 21st July.

To request 10% of all food and drinks for anyone wearing an NA lanyard – (this was declined)

Action – Zoe Y to confirm with the event's organiser that we would like to proceed with the date and

Theme:

We voted on "Brighton Rocks Recovery" as the Convention name, we would also like to include a theme. Committee members to bring ideas of the theme to next meeting for us to discuss.

Action – Suzanne to start designing the flyer based on the information we have already agreed on.

Banking feedback from area:

It was decided at area that we can use the SANAC bank account for this event, as the one day convention is no longer going ahead.

The bank account will have a balance of £1,000 when we transfer the signatories.

Action: Chair & Treasury to discuss transferring signatory arrangements.

Discuss raising promoting on NA website:

Once it has been confirmed by the venue that we can move forward with $19^{th} - 21^{st}$ July, we will request for the event to be added to the NA UK & NA Sussex websites.

Action: Neil to add to websites. (Completed).

Costing of convention for attendees – day – weekend:

We discussed and voted on the following costing for the registration of this event:

- £20.00 –Weekend (Pre-registration)
- £25.00 –Weekend (Pay at event)
- £10.00 Daily rate

It was decided that those who are first to preregister will be given the discounted bedroom access codes.

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- Theme
- Flyer
- Registration
- AOB
- Items for next meeting's agenda
- Closing balance
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Closing balance: £5.35

Next meeting:

Saturday 3rd November 2018 - 11.AM
Pavilions Drug & Alcohol Services
Richmond House, Richmond Road, Brighton, BN2 3FT