

Sussex NA convention minutes 03/04/22

SANAC 13 Together We Can

The Convention will be at the Holiday Inn on the 13th – 14th August 2022.

Positions available to be read out at next convention meeting on May 1st, 2022

**Convention V Chairperson, (4 years), Vice treasurer 4 years, Chair of fundraising (2 years),
Chairperson Arts and Graphics (2 years).**

Thank you to Amelia for her service so far.

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Last committee meeting was on the 03/04/22

Sussex Area NA 2022 Convention meeting. Date: 03/04/2022 venue was on – line 12am, Purpose of the meeting: To bring NA members together to form a Convention Committee, to stage a Sussex Area Convention for NA time and date has been decided 13-14 August 2022.

Marc was voted in as Chair of convention meeting on the 28/11/21, Wayne as treasurer on the 12/12/21 both have now been ratified at ASC on the 15th of December 2021.

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A moment of silence to bring a loving God into the meeting, reminding us why we are here.

12 concepts were read out.

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Those present:

Marc S

Wayne

Donna

Rupert

Amelia

Phil J

John

Leigh – Anna

Theresa

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Apologies from: Jen,- Federico

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Last week's minutes were approved by a NA committee member.

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Members were advised of the positions vacant that are required to be filled, consistent with suggested NA Convention Committee requirements. Member's putting themselves forward were reminded that they must be working a NA program, attending NA meetings, working the NA steps using a NA sponsor (or looking for one)

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Positions filled on the 28/11/21

Marc – Chair

Donna – minutes secretary

John – Chair programming

Jen – Vice Programming

Federico – Chair of hospitality

Positions filled on the 12/12/21

Wayne – Treasurer

Rupert - Venue Liaison Chairperson

Amealia - Chairperson Arts and Graphics

Lauren - Vice Hospitality

Positions filled on the 09/01/22

Chris – Chairperson of Stewarding

Phil – Vice Venue Chair

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Positions filled on the 06/02/22

Donna S - Merchandising Chairperson,

Karen – Merchandising Vice Chair,

Leigh – Anna - Chair Registration,

Theresa – Vice Registration,

Sam – Chair of fundraising,

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Sam – Handed her position in today 06/03/22

Position filled on the 06/03/22

Mark K – Vice treasurer

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No positions filled 2 positions handed in 03/04/22

Mark K and Amelia have handed in their positions. Marks was handed in on the convention what's app group and Amelia handed hers in after the on-line committee meeting on the 03/04/22 out going members were thanked for there service.

Vice treasure & Arts and graphic chairperson is now available for NA members, clean time requirement stated at the top of the minutes.

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Members who put themself forward for commitments and who was voted in by the committee were given a run down by Marc on what the positions entailed. They will be passed over to previous NA committee members who would be willing to 12 step them into their positions. They can also use the committee who is there to support them. Each subcommittee can now start meeting as a committee to discuss their positions and invite other NA members to join them.

All were asked to give a CV and each member was discussed while members were placed in the waiting room. All members were voted in by the committee.

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Current Subcommittee reports:

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Wayne – Treasurer Chair

Opening balance £3631.00 overall total

Money in NA bank account

£3328.00

£303.00 in cash

Amelia requires £90 and flyers payment is £75.90p

Wayne went to the bank, the bank in Brighton needs to send some information to head office. Wayne will chase this up. By next weekend we should be able to use the bank account. John B opened a letter from the bank stating that Donna D has not been approved due to needing evidence of when she was voted in. This has been provided to the bank, but Donna D will go to the

bank this Monday with minutes of the first committee meeting and the letter which was sent out. She will let the committee know once done via the what's app group.

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Chair programming/Vice

John /Jen:

Jen sent apologies.

John – Shared that Jen has a few chairs for the marathon meeting and John also has a few chairs booked in.

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Venue Liaison Chairperson/ Vice

Rupert/ Phil

No update.

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Merchandising Chair/Vice

Donna S & Karren, no update.

They are waiting for the NA bank account and for some ideas of merchandise.

Marc shared that he has 2 boxes of T-shirts and hats and some fridge magnets which we could sell in order to buy new merchandise, we discussed the FE event which is happening on the 2nd May, Donna and Karren to speak with FE.

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Registration Chair/Vice

Leigh -Anna/Theresa:

Leigh-Anna shared that they are waiting for the flyers to go out and for a date when preregistration could start.

Marc shared that the flyers will be ready for Thursday, the committee can discuss a date in any other business.

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Chairperson Arts and Graphics

Amelia was unable to make the 12-o clock start time but logged on towards the end of the committee meeting and gave her report then.

Amelia expressed her feelings around the flyer discussion which took place on what's app in between the committee meeting. She shared that she thought it was her position and cause of this

she didn't understand why another NA member arrange the information part of the flyer. She would have liked more of an input on how the back was designed. Amelia thought the position entailed an input in the design of the Merchandise too.

Wayne mentioned that there was a discussion between both himself and Amelia due to her going on holiday where it was decided that the committee will help with the information on the back of the flyer due to needing it done to give out.

It was relayed back to Amelia that Donna S and Karren and their committee are making the decisions around merchandise then they will come to us so we can vote as a committee. As that's how our decisions are made. Subcommittee come up with an idea then we vote together on the outcome.

Amelia's position was explained to her as there has been some confusion. Amelia later handed in her position.

There was a discussion and an amends for a discussion which took place in between the convention committee meeting.

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Hospitality Chair/Vice

Frederico /Lauren: No one present this week.

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Chairperson of Stewarding Chris: No one present this week

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Any other business

Preregistration

Flyers will be ready from Thursday 7th April; we can start sending the electronic flyers from then. Once they are ready each member can take to their home meetings and to conventions etc. We can upload to the NA website as well as the closed face book page.

Wayne said that we need to give the committee the phone. Wayne will arrange to meet up with Leigh-Anna.

Leigh-Anna asked how we was recording preregistration: Each time a NA member calls in they will be given a code and the bank details, once the money is in the NA bank account, they will be given a pin to use of the door of the convention.

Preregistration - Will open on Tuesday 12th which gives 4 months for NA members to preregister.

Anyone wanting to preregister all they have to do is use the phone number on the flyer.

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fun-raising idea:

Donna D suggested BBQ and rounders get together in June.

Donna S suggested a disco. This would cost a bit to set up due to paying for a DJ and a venue.

Karen suggested a boot sell. Great idea but not sure on this the committee could do their own boot sell then give donations of what they raised to convention funds.

We were all reminded to think of ideas which do not cost to set up.

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Merchandise ideas from committee members:

Fridge magnets.

T-shirt, caps.

Rocks again.

Key ring holders.

Pens.

Drinks matt.

USB sticks

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Face to face committee meeting.

The next meeting on the 1st of May will continue online it was decided due to members coming from Worthing and Newhaven area.

The June convention meeting, Wayne will discuss to see if we can use the Phoenix centre, which will give us a few times to meet before the convention.

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An idea came up of raffling a room again like they did last year, Rupert will check to see if we could get a discount on this again.

Theresa was wondering about what happened to the room tickets from the last convention which didn't take place, was there a way to get a refund on this. Marc and Wayne said this was discussed at ASC a while ago and there was a root to go down to get a refund if not you could donate it back to convention funds.

Theresa also mentioned that we could raffle of T-shirts from other conventions which haven't been used.

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Together we can theme tunes to be put out on the what's app group to listen to so we can vote on at the next committee meeting.

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Actions for next committee meeting

- **DJ ideas.**

- To think of a song with the theme Together we Can be played before every main share.
- We need a chair and committee to think of fund-raising ideas.

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Time of committee meeting and next date 01/05/2022 on – line

- **Next committee meeting Online the convention committee meeting will meet online until we have confirmation for the June meeting.**

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Minutes to be approved by next committee meeting. Minutes will be sent to all committee members to approve and to the ASC email address.

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In loving Fellowship, keep coming back.