

High Country PETS Steering Committee

Minutes of Telephone Meeting April 11, 2013

Those in Attendance:

District 5390: Roy Beekman; 2014-2015

District 5470: Marie Munday; 2015-2016

District 5440: Phil Murphy; 2014-2015

Barb Redder; Trainer

District 5450: Dan Himelspace; 2013-2014

Peter Ewing; 2014-2015

Kevin O'Connell; 2015-2016

District 5630: Dian Edwards; 2012-2013

PETS Chair 2014

Duane Tappe; 2013-2014

Loraine Lawler; Trainer

Support Team: Arlene Weber; Administrator

DG 2011-2012 District 5390

Meeting called to order at 5:02PM by PETS'14 Chair Dian Edwards. Purpose; begin thinking about speakers and be well prepared for only face-to-face meeting in July scheduled for July 28, 2013 at the Renaissance Hotel in Denver, following Zone 27 Institute on July 26-27. Establish early ideas of program.

Minutes: None to review and approve!

Report on Peach Tree PETS: Dan Himelspace

Similar to ours, slightly ahead of ours in second year of new format, good evidence of where we can be.

Speakers:

High quality **all Rotary** speakers, determine speakers early, be persistent in pursuing for them, tried non Rotary speakers and were not as engaging. **Make sure they are good speakers.** Speakers should be chosen by other than DGEs who don't have enough knowledge of good Rotary speakers. DGEs final say

District Leadership Briefing:

Pre PETS lead by Zone leadership

Presented in areas of Membership, Public awareness and Foundation

Invitation by Invitation: DG String, PDGs, AGs and District leaders

High level of presentations up to date, relevant information

Greg Podd to help with this? Interactive presentation more like RLI
Done at same time as Rotary 101

Training Breakouts:

We are in good shape done as well or perhaps better than Peach Tree
Question the idea of panel discussions
Emphasize the value of interactive vs. didactic presentations
Our trainers are well trained

Other Ideas:

Door prizes from vendors
Vendor location improved and more prominent location (Renaissance location accomplishes this)
Meal Ticket used to determine door prizes
Buffet meals better, lighter meal fare best
DGs and PDGs serve as Sergeant at Arms
DGE only role is to prepare and carry out district breakout sessions
DGN breakout session with PENS
They had no entertainment, liked our Jeopardy
Event was lighter more personal not as much fanfare
Their breakouts DGs did most of talking

Questions and Discussions:

Numbers of PENS- Same as us, same problem with getting DGEs and DGNs selected early enough
Zone Pre PETS did not replace our AG training on Saturday
Cost was lower- Denver prices for food are higher, many PETS up to 30% lower.

2014 speaker discussion, which sessions, entertainment:

Phil Murphy; not speaker at every meal, more of Rotary message, must be good speakers.
Peter Ewing; agree not all speakers, entertainment on younger generations High School Choir, more selected or directed about speaker topics;
Arlene Weber; youth exchange student presentation emphasis on youth
Roy Beekman same opinion
Dian Edwards: Has invited RIPE Gary Huang penciled in for Sunday AM- Greg Podd possible back up.
Possible Ambassadorial Scholar or RI Peace Fellow
Phil Murphy has past Ambassadorial Scholar is on faculty at CSU in field of alternate fuels has presented to Rotary
Gary Huang has excellent English skills and is dynamic and interesting
Decision made: Go with a repeat of Jeopardy NOT family feud, shorten the game by eliminating one section or one question from each section.

New "DERT" Team:

Arlene Weber; Need New Registrar; likely a Denver person who would coordinate registration protocol with Arlene

Audio Visual People to run everything in Plenary and Breakouts; Dan will spearhead development of this effort, team may not want to take on PETS, Dan is looking for someone with producer experience, need to gather names, use of District 5450 equipment is up in the air. Dan to take on sub-committee chair role for "DERT" replacement

New Hotel Contact person; Peach Tree didn't have this person Lapel pin for three who could ok charges. Arlene and Dan to be that person? Really should find another person, will look for someone in this role.

Survey Overview: posted on website go to "For PETS steering committee" then click on "PETS 2013 archives" then "2013 PETS survey"

Financial Report for 2013 PETS:

Will send out to steering Committee

Recommend increasing buffer from \$12,000 to \$15,000

Likely will have money to return to Districts

Decision to be made at July meeting

Responsibilities before PETS meeting July 28, 2013:

- 1). DGEs to collect information on speaker ideas and transmit them to Arlene, Dian and Dan
- 2). DGEs to come prepared with any needs for special district meetings to be held outside of regular PETS sessions i.e. Grants management and Club qualification seminar
- 3). Dan to look at new "DERT" Team and their role with PETS- specifically Registrar, Audio-Visual and Hotel liaison individuals

Next meeting Sunday July 28, 2013 at Renaissance Hotel on Quebec Street in Denver

Meeting adjourned at 5:56PM

Respectfully submitted April 12, 2013

Peter Ewing DGN

District 5450