

Vice Chair Final Report

It was a difficult year this year coming out of Covid. We have had no conventions for the last 2 years. I have heard it thought and said that the Vice Chair position is an easy one, that it is a stepping stone to becoming the Chair in the next year. This is not the case and far from the truth as myself and those who came before me can share. The Vice Chair must act for unfilled positions, committees. This year we had no Vice Treasurer and started out without an H & H chairperson or committee.

I discovered how important it is to talk to and attend subcommittee meetings as often as possible. I also found communication between the chair persons of committees must also communicate often outside of the committee meetings on a regular and as needed basis. This was critical to this convention.

Another thing I learned was that having a convention committee that gets along and has the good of NA at the heart of everything is another critical piece to having a good convention.

This is a list of Subcommittee's work I feel is critical to the success of a convention:

Funding and Entertainment: Dances are fine but if you put on a good function, people will show up. I would suggest an early fall picnic, something between Thanksgiving and Christmas, a function in mid-winter and a Last Chance Dance.

Hotels & Hospitality: Get hotel date as early as possible.

Arts & Graphics: Theme and logo need to be done no later than Thanksgiving.

Merchandise: Remember, less is more, merchandise needs to be "sold out".

Programming: Speakers as soon as possible, get airfare early. Important to get workshops help early as well.

Convention Information: Flyers must be sent out early ASAP. People will register if we get flyers out. Remember Chicagoland, Wisconsin, Quad Cities and the Greater Illinois Region. If you can get flyers out to Chicago Convention, this is a plus.

Registration: Keep it Simple and get help during the convention.

Sincerely,

Chad H.

P.S. - Raffle were a success / Need to go
Thru proper Channels at Winnebago County Clerks
Office. This will take about an hour. They have all
our information