

4/22/2023 Bridge Board Meeting:

Attendees: Carol, Julie, Margaret, Kevin, Don, Wayne, Kathy, Rita, Paul, Jennifer, Kathleen, Susan

Not in attendance: Ed, Vivian, Penny

Last month's minutes approved, unanimously.

Regional: Wayne and Don

Rooms are up over last year, as of 4/15.

Carol printed more flyers to have at the Regional.

Paul – has Bill's email to get with him regarding caddies and Kevin Curtis. Email Ken for number of caddies needed.

Kevin – Delivery will be Monday. Kathleen will be there. Setup is Tues at 9:00 am. Will ask others to help such as Bob Stansbury, Bill Beard. Carol, Julie, Susan, Kathleen, Rita and Kathy will be there.

Signage – White boards (hotel has easels). The district is doing general banner signage for Registration, etc.

Hospitality – Rita, Coffee is donated for Friday. Should have it available in the Ballroom. Rita has patches being made. She has a few Convention card holders for people who requested one. Books from Elly are prizes for I/Ns. Bracelets are given if person earns masterpoints. Bring last year's mugs to get rid of them (vote was 5-Yes, 3-No).

Others expressing interest in sponsorship – seems better for next year. Julie will contact them.

Partnerships – Poster is done by Vivian. Partnership desk will take photo and email to Vivian to put in Bulletin. Vivian should do a set of directions on how to send the photos in and to print them, same for labels. Rita has forms for labels and photos. Julie will print the photos and labels each night.

Electronic Bulletin – Vivian is doing it.

Speakers – Jenn will give Wayne and Vivian the Speaker info to be put in a Poster and the bulletin.

Timers – Need 2-3 old laptops to run timer programs in upstairs rooms. Julie, Jennifer, Don have them. District has timers for Ballroom.

Supplies – Don sent a list of what is needed to Kevin. Bracketed form for # team members and points – Elly has some. Kathleen will inventory supplies (on a warm day). Let Carol and Rita know when.

Hotel – Wayne/Don meeting on May 1. Regional committee meeting will be week of 5/8.

Stanchions – Kevin needs to print the signs for the top (letters A-L).

Northfield Restaurants: Discounts at Zen suchi, Mongolian grill, Hoo Hot. Will be in Bulletin and also on registration info sheets.

Partnerships – Susan will make partnership forms. Needs some Volunteers for Wed and Fri.

Carol returned the lanyards. They will not be needed because no vaccinations are required.

Jan Janitschke award – everything is ordered. Rita has data for voting and recommendations available if needed.

I/N Sectional: Kathy. Had 24 tables, 106 preregistered (2 emailed her to cancel). Made about \$1500. Crowd control plan seemed to work. Susan and Kathy worked well for partnerships. Boulder told her they now have an I/N board member. Network marketing worked well. Lunch was Costco croissants. Have to order the day before so this worked well with preregistration. Elly provided salad and fruit. People loved the hospitality. Julie and Kathy should meet to discuss 'after action review' – what went well, what did not, etc., including the various costs.

Directory – we will do it by the July Sectional, just not printing as many copies – probably 400. Margaret and Carol will prepare it with June download of membership roster.

Wall of Fame – First cut was prepared by Margaret with people whose names are coming off awards, if they have passed.. Voted yes to add Norma Sands to the first cut even though her name was not coming off an award. Need to develop a process for adding people and the criteria (June board mtg). Margaret will investigate a tiled front page showing each person's picture, if feasible.

Awards and name changes – Instead of Regional Master, will be Top Master Point Winner (unanimous vote). Take Denver off so it is Rocky Mountain Regional – unanimous. Unit 361 Open Sectional winner. Julie should speak to Alice Kinningham and Bob Woodward to let them know we are changing the award name. Can we eliminate some awards? TBD at June meeting.

Roles Documentation: Julie and Margaret have reviewed them. Need a little cleaning up before posting.

Other awards: Julie Clark has been awarded the D17 GoodWill Ambassador 2023. Congrats Julie – well deserved.

Website: Margaret focuses on upcoming events but will also put a teaser in for the July I/N and Open since they are coming up soon after the Regional. Send her photos of I/N winners and rooms full of players to put on web.

District 17 report: Jenn sent email report. Nothing else to report.

Other: If you cannot be at a meeting, please speak up at the prior meeting so we can see if the date needs to be changed or it should be a zoom or weeknight zoom meeting. Carol will be away for the July meeting and Sectional.

Next meeting: May meeting is May 13 at Eloise May Library, face to face at 10:00 am. Expect it to be 1.5 hrs.