Ohio Roundup Steering Committee Meeting 08/27/11

Frank W. ORSC Chair opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer.

In Attendance Pass around sign-in sheet for all in attendance. ORSC members to include name, Email address and position.

Frank W., ORSC Chair Dawna R., ORSC Treasurer John S., ORSC Substitute Secretary

Harry Seabright, Steering Committee Steve Kahler 29th Ohio Roundup Chair/Columbus Delegate Jean Kresge, Cincinnati Roundup Committee, Co-Chair Robert G. Cincinnati Roundup Committee, Co-Chair Dave Houseman, Cincinnati Roundup Committee, Workshops Don Busemeyer, Cincinnati Roundup Committee, Treasurer James Frederick, Cincinnati Roundup Committee, Registration Kris Bihr, Cincinnati Roundup Committee, Fundraising Jimm Wiedeman, Cincinnati Roundup Committee Eric Stackhouse Cincinnati Roundup Committee Bryan Taulbee, Dayton Delegate Lisa Yari, Akron Alternate Delegate David Faust, Cincinnati Alternate Delegate Susan E. Hall, Toledo Delegate Jefferson Alcott, Dayton Delegate Jason Wright, Dayton Alternate Delegate Richard Meeker, Guest Rob Feldman, Guest Jim Oneail, Guest Lou Onstright, Guest Penryn C., Guest Melany M.

Previous minutes Provided and accepted.

Financial Report Dawna R.; Checking Account balance forward \$5,016.35; Money Market Account balance forward \$11,095.97. Difference reported from June Treasury report. Harry S. claimed figure should be \$5,000, not \$15,000. Dawna apologized, quoted the figure incorrectly. Dawna agreed to reconcile the account. Group moved to amend balance to reflect correct figure, seconded and passed, no abstentions.

Cleveland committee

(see New Business)

Columbus committee

Steve K. submitted report, 212 attendance, 52 full scholarships granted, 21 partial, 6 registrations banquet only, 4 speakers, 2 interpreters and 73 hotel rooms sold; 70 mugs, tee-shirt sales unknown. Columbus raised much money in addition to the seed money; \$1,700.00 toward scholarship fund. Columbus will submit a full report in accordance with IRS requirements. Suggestion to future Roundup committees: future financial data captured in electronic format, easier to submit to requesting authorities, goal is to become paperless

Cincinnati committee

Committee members recognized, formal bid presented with accompanying letters of support. Theme: Sunlight of the Spirit, Crowne Plaza in Blue Ash secured. Added feature: Coco Key Water Resort Friday evening for three hours. Includes individual costs budget, liability insurance commitment, forms, upcoming fundraisers, etc. All material reviewed by Cincinnati committee before today's formal presentation. Major corrections re: profit, removed unnecessary fundraising re: projections, increased scholarships; only registered 73 rooms, 120 estimated, unrealistic figure, includes both nights, adjustments made accordingly. Discussion re: profits, Cincinnati expects to match Columbus' gains. Reduction in workshops from 4 to 3 discussed, still under consideration. Rental meeting room requirements discussed. Cincinnati assumes to meet minimum room registration to avoid room rental costs. Even if hotel ownership should change, rates remain firm. 2012roundup.org, website will link automatically to parent site. All invited to Breakfast with Santa event in Cincinnati, TBA. Breakfast included with full registration. Cincinnati distributed magnets, registration forms. Cincinnati will send Email notification of fundraising activities, all encouraged to participate.

Question: Sue H. re: airline costs, to be included in budget.

Frank W. discussed tax issues re: 501C3.

Old Business

Frank W.: RSC requires secretary plus alternate, currently there is none. Discussion ensued, John S. elected to move from Alternate Treasurer to Secretary; Steve K. assumed Alternative Treasurer position. Alternate Secretary names to be submitted, vote to take place 11/20/11 meeting to fill alternate position.

Archives: Larry fulfilled role a long time, has retired; inventory complete, discussion ensured re: rental space to store items. Frank W. encourages all to bring this open position issue to groups to 1) find an archivist; 2) relieve Larry of housing inventory. Perhaps Columbus will serve as depository. Formal presentation to be submitted at 11/20/11 meeting.

Frank W.: 501C# 1023 submitted IRS, check cashed, accountant pleased with ORSC's actions to date; awaiting IRS decision on granting requested status. Handout submitted to group that explains benefits, exemptions, tax income saved, lower postal rates,

allowed to lobby; w/ status, group does not pay sales tax, donations through members are tax deductible Beware: watch how we take monies from outside entities, group may run the risk of violating AA Traditions. Frank W. requests check for \$1,225.00 for accountant fees (1023 application, review tax filing reviews), motion approved by Harry and Steve, check submitted. Discussion ensued re: conflict of interest if committee member works at hotel and stands to gain monetarily, must resign as Treasurer.

New Business

Lisa Y., Akron Alternate Delegate submitted Canton/Akron bid letter for 2013 Roundup to be held in North Canton, Ohio. Approved.

Dayton strives to raise funds in order to pay past financial expenses incurred and submitted a \$500.00 toward that end. Bravo, Gem City!

Moment of silence per: Lou for Al Anderson who passed away, had attended all Roundups.

Frank W. encouraged a collective effort, each committee is charged with continuance based on wanting to help out, and each gives back what's given to us. Meeting closed with the Serenity Prayer.

Next meeting: Sunday November 20, 2011, 12:00 p.m. Columbus Gay Pride Center