8/1/22 District Conference Meeting

Attendance: Vicki, Barb, Pam, Herb, Susanna, Ken, Dan

1. Foundation Dinner – guest speaker, Mr. Davidson, speaks on Polio – he will stay through our conference. Phil Pellitier is getting raffle tickets together. Grand prize is Ocean City condo for one week and also a fall or winter getaway as prize. Do one as a raffle prize and one as an auction prize. Silent Auction will also be encouraged for clubs to bring a basket. Possibly give a choice for grand prize to choose the condo or $1000. Need to pick out the menu. Have just the foundation dinner as a choice or for the full conference. Need bio for speaker. Free drink for PHF Society. Ken looked at budget and we have $500 for PHS.
2. Have contract signed for Penn Stater. Have various rooms reserved for the time period. Room rate is $119/night. Mt Nittany Room is the hospitality suite. Need to figure out the dinner and what we want on the buffet. Mystery dinner. Herb has reached out to the group. They have 8-10 characters that mingle in the dinner group. They eat at the table with the Rotarians. Need to have 300 people at the dinner which will pay for the 10 free meals for the actors.
3. Jared’s Box project. Need to buy ~60 boxes. The rest will be donated by a State College Club. It will take 2 hours or less. Dan will provide crayons, coloring books, playdoh.
4. President’s Rep – Vicki has not reached out at all for this. Patrick Eakes?
5. David Steele will have dance music.
6. Give new members in 2022 a break in registration to bring more of the brand new members here. Just something to think about. Or give them something else that would not cost the district something – possibly PHF points? Maybe go back to July 1, 2021. Percentage or number of members of a club that attend the conference.
7. Youth Exchange – no talent show. Keep it to 2 minutes per student.
8. Business meeting – keep it short. Will be voting on a bylaws addition and DG Nominee Designate.
9. Presentations – DEI, President’s rep present twice, exchange students, Jared’s Box, business meeting, Art Leach to talk about the four-Way Test, Youth and Peace in Action, Motivational speakers, RYLA, awards on Sunday morning. During House of Friendship will be the memorial area set-up. April 2021 to present. Have John Taylor set up information in the House of Friendship for international grants. Have an informational RLI display.
10. Council of Governors reception to be before the Saturday night dinner. Line up before dinner and walk in.
11. What is included in the package:
12. Foundation Dinner – buffet? Have tables for auction. Breakfast, lunch and dinner on Saturday and breakfast/brunch on Sunday. Printed program and badges. One program for Friday and a program for the conference on Saturday. Any Saturday program. Need awards table on Friday. Include as many volunteers as possible to try to get as many attendees as possible.