Annual Meeting/Awards Committee
March 10, 2020
11am-12pm
Attendees: 7

Agenda:

Call to order- Rusty

Introductions- new committee members
• Mark Tisa
• Martha Williams (not in attendance)

Annual Meeting - Cindy
• Sept 13-16, 2020 in Sacramento; all logistics are coming together (hotel rooms, dinners, meeting rooms, etc); registration opening in June; meeting will be between 2 hotels
  o Are we making any contingency plans in case of Corona virus impacts the meeting?
    ▪ Not at this point; we do have a cancellation insurance policy if needed
• 2021- Providence RI; Sept 12-15, 2021
  o Cathy will work on a promo video to show during the 2020 AFWA Annual Meeting (promo 2021 AFWA Annual Meeting)
• 2022- Fort Worth, TX; Sept 18-21, 2022
• 2023- Calgary, Canada; Sept 24-27, 2023

Annual Awards- Rusty/Patty
• Award period opening up next week
  o Email will be sent out next week
  o Nominations posted on the AFWA website (private page)
  o Kelly Reynolds will be covering Patty on the duties for the committee while she is on maternity leave (starting July 2020)
    ▪ Patty will be working with Kelly to get her prepped to take over the duties as necessary
    ▪ Kelly will send out a doodle poll to pick a date meet and pick the annual award winners; keep in mind that there are those in the eastern and pacific time zone when picking times
• Question- do we want to have the annual awards to still be a banquet or change it to have the awards doing more of a happy hour and have dinner after the awards are done?
  o Discussion:
    ▪ We’re good at having the award ceremony only 1 hour
    ▪ Advantage to changing is that you won’t be sitting at one table for an extended period of time; it wouldn’t change the overall time for everything
Cindy will look to see if we can do that logistically at the 2020 meeting
Should be try it this year, provided it’s logistically possible? Vote: yes- Mark, Cathy, Curt, Rusty
  • Rusty will run this through the ExCom [ACTION]
  • If not possible this year (logistically) then we will do this the next year
    o Emcee for the AWARDS this year?
      • Discussion: everyone voted for Rusty to emcee for the 2020 awards; Mark will be backup if Rusty cannot attend the meeting for some reason

Work Plan:
  • Review of work plan- what was done last year and what is planned for this year
    o All looks good
  • The work plan is updated during the AFWA Annual Meeting; Patty will update and will be approved by the committee via email since we do not meet at the AFWA Annual Meeting

Any updated from the committee members and future actions?
  • Should be vote on a Vice Chair?
    o Mark Tisa volunteered as vice chair
      ▪ Supported by Cathy Sparks
      ▪ Rusty will bring to ExCom for approval [ACTION]
  • Will set up a meeting mid-June to make sure the committee is good to go and to introduce Kelly Reynolds to the committee.
  • Looking at Georgia as a possible host state for 2024. [ACTION]
    o Cindy will start looking at possible locations