

Howdy Peeps:

Well, more will be revealed on the questions that Area brought to the Region. It was sad to see and hear that only one Area chose to address our questions in their report. We told them that maybe all the open positions at Region was because we/us love to throw a party and those committees are full but the Service committees struggle to maintain members. We are supposed to get a letter from the Chair of the Region addressing our concerns. The Region is supposed to start the process of doing an inventory of the Region. I'm on that Ad Hoc Committee nevertheless I have not heard anything from anybody else. I have provided a link to the latest Regional February 2024 reports. <https://www.marscna.net/current-rsc-reports/> Please read them and if you find anything that you would like for the RCM to report more on let me know.

I know I said that the Service Committees lack people, But we do have some dedicated members in the Website/Phoneline committee of Public Relations. They have been working on getting a better reporting email system in place. Giving the Archivist better access to the website so it can have more of our history and accountability of material the Region possesses. We still have a working live phoneline where addicts can call and get meeting information, Voicemails all come from people leaving a message, as opposed to an unanswered call. In this quarter, 7 voicemails were for people seeking meeting information, 1 professional called and was directed to the Wichita Metro website. The remaining 6 calls did not leave a message.

But they need Volunteers to help man that also they only have 18 at this time.

Requirements are 1 year clean and have served in some service position at either the group, ASC, or RSC in the last year.

Lot of Campouts and Events getting listed please check on the Regional Website before doing an event. If you schedule an event that is attended by people in our Area they may not be able to support your event.

Sadly, we have the last copies of the Regional Mid America Newsletter (M.A.N.) ever. No one stepped up to the Editor position so no more will be printed. If you wish to look back in Time on this link is copies of the MAN dating back to 1983 <https://www.marscna.net/man-archives/> .

Lots of positions available at the Region we they need our help and guidance.

**THE FOLLOWING ARE OPEN POSITIONS ON THE RSC FLOOR AND IN THE
SUBCOMMITTEES:**

Open Positions for August 17th and 18th '24 RSC:

RSC Officers OPEN

Facilitator
Co-Facilitator
Secretary
Co-Secretary
Treasurer
Co-Treasurer

Within Subcommittees OPEN

Convention:

Arts & Graphics chair and co
Co-entertainment
Co-Merchandise
Hospitality
General Members
Fellowship Development:
Co-Facilitator
Secretary
MAN Editor
MAN Co-Editor
Public Relations:
Co-Facilitator
Secretary
H&I Coordinator
Presentations Coordinator
Media Coordinator
Phone Line volunteers

* 02182024-04 From Convention motion to update the Convention Bid Guidelines

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CONVENTION BID GUIDELINES

Below you will find guidelines to assist in obtaining a hotel for the MARSCNA Regional Convention. Any member of our MARSCNA region can secure a bid regarding the convention. The convention bid is to be presented at the November RSC, 18 months prior to convention. We encourage the regional convention to rotate throughout the state of Kansas but due to growth in the fellowship this has proven to be difficult to locate a venue large enough to hold the convention. Please note that securing a facility for at least two years consecutively benefits us with locking in rates to be cost effective.

GENERAL:

**Would the hotel accommodate a Meeting room for convention interim meetings (non-RSC months)?

Hotel and staff to accommodate 500-700 people.

Schedule a walk through of the hotel with committee and hotel staff on the 3rd Sunday of January prior to the convention.

Meeting space and rooms to accommodate the following:

Registration (capacity to hold a minimum of 8 long tables).

Merchandise (capacity to hold a minimum of 15 tables).

Taper (capacity to hold a minimum of 4 long tables).

Workshops (minimum of 2 rooms to accommodate 75-100 each with podiums & microphone for each workshop).

Fellowship/Game (accommodate 30+ with a minimum of 4 round 10 top tables).

Auction (accommodate 50+).

Archivist (capacity to hold a minimum of 8 tables).

24-hour Marathon (open @ 9pm Friday and close Sunday @ 9am. Accommodate 15+).

Hospitality (close to the event as much as possible. Availability to bring in food and coffee. Accommodate 30+ with a minimum of two long tables).

Friday Night Speaker (podium, microphone, stage, and possible dance floor).

Saturday Night Speaker (podium, microphone, stage, and possible dance floor).

Sunday Morning Speaker (podium, microphone, and stage).

AV equipment availability with the hotel's current cost sheet provided.

Hotel must be A.D.A. compliant (American Disabilities Act) **Is easy to approach, enter, operate, and participate in, &/or use safely and with dignity by a person with a disability.**

Sunday closeout convention meeting room (Noon – 2pm).

Does the hotel have set-up and tear down fees? If so, what are the conditions for these fees?

Are there additional costs for skirting tables?

Are banners able to be hung within the main ballroom and is there a cost?

Is there a cut-off date for a finalized POE (program of events) that the hotel requires?

Convention committee to be able to set-up the event on Thursday at check-in time.

What are the deposit costs that are required and when are they due?

ROOMS:

Sleeping rooms:

Convention room rate available for Convention committee on Thursday night with 15 rooms.

Room block of 100 for Friday night.

Room block of 100 for Saturday night.

Availability to increase room block if needed.

Are there complimentary rooms available if room blocks are met? If so, how many comp rooms are provided and what are the specifics?

Is there a penalty for not meeting the room block and if so, what are the stipulations?

Is there a cut-off date for reservation room rates?

FOOD SERVICES:

Does the hotel have a minimum food & beverage commitment?

What is the minimum requirement (\$\$) that must be met?

What are the damages if the minimum requirement is not met?

Are meeting and event space for this event complimentary if the food and beverage minimum is met?

Cost of coffee per gallon? (100-200 gallons).

Coffee stations need to be available for the Friday night, Saturday mid-day, Saturday night, and Sunday morning speakers.

Saturday night banquet price per person with an estimated group of 75-100 (optional).

Sunday morning breakfast price per person with an estimated group of 50-75 (optional).

INSURANCE:

Does the RSC maintain sufficient insurance to insure their obligations for this event (Indemnification and Hold Harmless)?

Does the hotel maintain sufficient insurance to insure their obligations for this event (Indemnification and Hold Harmless)?

If any damage to the hotel, is the group or individual(s) responsible for any damages?

Location of Event: _____

Name of Hotel: _____

Dates Available: _____

(No Easter Weekend)

Contact Person: _____

Confirmation of the hotel rates for this bid are required. We need to ensure they will be guaranteed and honored at convention time. (This is vital due to the bid being 18 months out or less from convention).

Person(s) obtaining the bid needs to attend the RSC business meeting to present the bid and contract. There may be questions and possibly the hotel liaison would need to be contacted during the meeting for further explanations.

The other 3 motions to take back to groups.

* 02182024-01 From Treasury Oversight 2nd by Brandon H.

To revise the Treasurer duties of the Soul to Soul subcommittee that are recorded on pg. 36 of the MARSCNA Policy.

* 02182024-02 From Treasury Oversight 2nd by Brandon H.

To revise the Treasury Oversight, Purpose & Duties, that are recorded on pg. 12 of the MARSCNA Policy.

* 02182024-03 From Aimee K 2nd by Tim S.

Add requirements to Treasury Oversight pg. 12 of the MARSCNA Policy date August 2022. Copy #2, #3, and #4 from "Treasurer" to "Treasury Oversight" in said section. Update terminology, "Qualifications" to Requirements" for uniformity.

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