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Hello Ellis,
This may very well end up to be the process in the future but I think perhaps we are a bit ahead of ourselves. The North American Festival of Wales Strategic Planning Committee was charged with the following: "As all future North American Festivals of Wales will be organized by the WNGGA, this committee will recommend specific guidelines regarding the organization of the festival." So, I see this as part of their work and do expect the committee to bring forward recommendations at Stratford and perhaps even at Richmond.
Also, the financial structure is well in place and already up and running in Richmond / Vancouver. I don't think it is realistic or even possible to change at this late date.
As I said this is a very helpful suggestion and I think the NAFW will be grateful to use it as part of their committee proceedings.
Cheers !
Lynn

Ellis Jones wrote:

> Folks:
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> Attached is a proposal to change the accounting procedures in connection
> with NAFOW. I need a decision as soon as possible because registrations
> are coming in and a major immediate change will be that all registration
> funds received at Headquarters would be sent on to WNGGA Treasurer rather
> than part of the funds being sent on to NAFOW Treasurer and part to WNGGA
> Treasurer.
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> As pointed out in the "First" paragraph on page 2, "a major point in
> adopting the change to NAFOW was that it was to be 'national centered'
> rather than 'locally centered.'" If this proposal is approved, we'll truly
> be implementing the basic concept of it being a "national" event. There
> will, of course, be a need to work out some of the logistical procedures
> connected with the NAFOW Petty Cash fund.
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> Please note that this proposal did not "come from Mt. Sinai" and is not
> cast in stone. It is a starting point for the next step in the process of
> making NAFOW a truly national event.
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> As usual, if you have questions or concerns, please let me know. As of
> this afternoon, 29 persons have registered for 2003 NAFOW and have sent
> their payments to Headquarters. The Headquarters has received a total of
> \$4,042.50.

> Ellis J.

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Hi Huw:

Thanks for the support on the proposal but I'm not surprised by Lynn's reaction. She does not have an accounting background and doesn't understand that if they have a system in place, it can be modified by means of accounting entries very easily. Also, there is the mindset which I've run into time and time again that "we've never done that before!"

So, I guess, we'll just use the Harrisburg model for this year. Next year I won't be around to help and it'll be up to the new Executive Director to work out the details.

One final thought--Lynn mentions the Strategic Planning Committee. According to the Constitution, the Executive Director is to be a member of each committee except nominations but for some reason I was not named by the president to the strategic planning committee. No advice was sought and no advice was given. I haven't a clue what they have drawn up.

Yes, it will be an interesting Stratford meeting.

Ellis J.

Only 173 days to October 1!