IABS notes for September

The meeting started at 8:10 pm

Attendance: Ellen, Sara, Natalio, Glen, Teresa, Debbie, Amari, and Marilyn

Minutes for August tabled.

Sara talked about Pie palooza. The highest goal will be 1000 and the increments will start in 200 and go from there. Sara, Teresa, Debbie, the NABS rep and the National rep will probably be getting the pies in the face. The order has to be decided. Marilyn commented about asking the hotel if they are ok. Patty and Marilyn must be copied in the email. We need to start advertising it.

Ellen said we don’t have a NABS rep yet. We are starting to plan the luncheon. Sara said that we should have a rep assigned by next week.

Debbie talked about scholarship class. One person already registered, and she is contacting the others. She is looking for mentors and encourages us to contact. Teresa has been in contact with Rachel. Amari can talk to Aboo. Sara will drop a welcome package and asked Debbie to send all the contact cards. We have a scholarship runner up and one convention scholarship winner. The first is Taurus Smith and the second is Esli Ramos. Glen will get in contact with Taurus and Ellen too. Teresa will send his contact card.

The luncheon topic was discussed. Glen talked about the student award and what the committee has done. No applications yet. Looking for new avenues of promotion. Glen asked the board to pass along the message about the award. Teresa also asked a professor from NIU to send the message out to people she knows. She also told another professor from NIU. She will follow up with both professors. Sara will forward it to a TVI she knows from Chicago. Debbie said that we should give the presentation during luncheon a max of 10 minutes.

Debbie said that the scholarship presentation during luncheon should take longer. Each winner will get between 2 and 3 minutes, plus the introduction.

Marilyn asked us to look at the last year’s agenda. The luncheon should take around 1:30.

Debbie added a presentation of the NAVS rep.

Sara proposed doing a panel. Marilyn said we must send the agenda by September 20. She appointed Natalio to send her the agenda. She proposed to have Aboo in the agenda for the Career Mentoring Program. Debbie said that maybe we could get other students from the program to talk during the luncheon. Debbie proposed having Maurice tell the other students about it.

Teresa proposed doing idea of the “cross the line” for the luncheon. Marilyn said that Natalie talked about NFB EQ last year, and we might do this again. She had 20 minutes last time. If she can get it down to 10 minutes, we will have her.

For the career mentoring, 5 to 10 minutes should be good.

Last year we really had 1:45. Ellen said we need to figure out the time stamps and Natalio will take care of sending Marilyn the info for the upcoming agenda.

* Scholarship class
* Student excellence award
* NABS rep
* Career mentoring
* Cross the line

Sara will also talk about pie palooza and Teresa about the cooking class.

Marilyn asked about doing a raffle. That will not happen. Teresa asked about the chocolate that we have left to sell. Glen said that the chips already expired. Ellen will send Glen a picture. There will be a selling table. Marilyn will send an email to Adelmo to ask about the pie palooza and if he will participate.

Sara talked about Paul Garcia being our NABS Liasson.

Ellen said to invite him to our next meeting.

For the breakfast on Sunday, it starts at 7:30, then Treasurer’s report, president’s report, elections, old business, new business, and adjournment. We will keep the same format. This year we have the president, vice president, treasurer/secretary and 2 board members to elect. We have 15 minutes in agenda. Debbie and Elizabeth will stop being board members, unless elected again.

Debbie said she might step off the board. Denise also might be interested in stepping down if there is another student willing to step up. Sara will run for vice president; Teresa will run for president. Glen will run for board but not for any other position. Natalio is willing to fill in for any position needed. Glen said he could train the next treasurer.

Sara will ask Jennifer Kennedy if she will be a judge for Idol.

Glen reminded us that we need to be nominated by another person who is an active member.

Ellen talked about Washington Seminar. We will wait to budget this until the new board is in place. The applications are due in December 15.

Door prices for convention: Glen proposed allocating an amount. Teresa motioned to allocate $50 dollars for door prices and the motion was approved.

As for the battle of the chapters, we chose Hit the road Jack by Ray Charles. Glen said he will send the lyrics and Teresa will post them at the end of the minutes of September.

The meeting adjourned at 9:18.