



Subject: **Business Session**

KENTUCK-IANA – TEJAS BLUEBONNETT  
SHOW ME – LOUISIANA – VOLUNTEER  
ARKANSAS – LONE STAR – MISSISSIPPI

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## SOUTHERN ZONAL FORUM BUSINESS SESSION

Sunday, May 01, 2005

### FACILITATOR'S REPORT

- Keeping daily, monthly and quarterly maintenance
- National Governor's conference in Kansas City will happen later this summer
  - Facilitators have asked NA if surrounding areas would give them copies of meeting lists
  - Show Me Region had been contacted and asked if they would be interested in setting up a PI booth
  - Will happen either the week before or week after the SZF - which might give us the opportunity to help out or man the booth
- Received an email from a new region interested in attending SZF - told them to assess their needs and to show up
- Received an email from a church group wanting information for a prison inmate - email was forwarded to other members
- Been receiving a lot of requests for information about the SZF - will be sharing information with other SZF members, and keep it a "we" thing
- Apologized for not having reports on the website
- Member addressed the Governor's Conference and it was stated that it's actually a gamblers, alcohol and drug addiction conference; Our services may not be needed, there maybe some miscommunication

### SECRETARY'S REPORT

- Not present - no report submitted

### SZF REPRESENTATIVE

- The World Wide Workshop will be in Nashville, TN, May 27-29, 2005.
  - Contacted Becky M. to discuss topics for WWW- gave topics individually, compilation from the last 3 Forums, and a prioritized list based on votes across last three Forums- will send survey from current Forum as well
- Thanks to the Bluegrass and Alabama/NW Florida Regions for participating in the SZF
  - Thinks it would be a good idea to visit the regions who have visited the SZF and who aren't necessarily part of the SZF-can facilitate questions, take them a solutions pamphlet and get their thoughts about the SZF and how we can help
- Surveys have been modified and sent out with the minutes
  - Encouraging regions to distribute to get feedback - can use as a catapult for discussions regarding our regions and the fellowship needs that exist
- Member suggested that SZF Rep visit participating regions and answer questions to the validity of purpose - Rep was willing to commit if supported by the SZF

### TREASURER'S REPORT



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- Bank balance as of this day \$1,916.00 – including \$165.00 t-shirt deposit
- Donation to NAWS \$606.77
- Total expenses \$1,363.19
- 34 shirts remaining for sale

### WEB SERVANT REPORT

- Chat area added to website – over 200 members have joined SZF website
- NAWS database – Regions and Areas can designate a person to log into and for updating and adding meetings and trusted servants
- Postings can be posted at the Events page
- Received an email from a recovering female addict South Africa who was feeling disassociated – sent out to women in the fellowship and there were approximately 6 responses
- In regards to a question raised about monitoring the chat room – Webservant stated he could shut down chat room quickly if he noticed inappropriate behavior

### ARCHIVIST

- Copies of the definition of the SZF, its guidelines and agreement – all located on web site
- Agreement needs updating and to be posted under Resource Files
- Working on article for NA Way using archive resources
- Posting an outline of themes that there could be writing on and possibly shared through a vehicle like NA Way
- Document available for members who contact us for information about our purpose
- May be moving some the Archivist's activities to the website – may not attend SZF as often
- Webservant stated his willingness in assisting with scanning and posting to website

### OLD BUSINESS:

### NOMINATIONS

Secretary: Kim S. (Tejas Bluebonnet) Selected

Treasurer: No nominations

Facilitator: No nominations

Take back nominations for Facilitator and Treasurer.

### NEW BUSINESS:

- Bluegrass-Appalachian Region requested that the SZF Representative attend an RSC. Rep has dates for Volunteer, Show Me, Arkansas, Tejas Bluebonnet, Mississippi & Bluegrass Appalachian. No dates for Louisiana, Lonestar, Red River and Kentuckiana. Dates go through March 2006. Rep will need reimbursement for some of these, and it's up to the body on whether he should attend. Will contact chair from each region to



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coordinate a visit. A member stated that he feels his region needs a visit from Rep to discuss what the SZF does and its validity. Feels that the SZF has taught him how to be an RD and how to participate in the WSC. Member suggested that RSC would not give the greatest impact because they are already of service, and that Learning Days or smaller functions may be more beneficial. It was stated that maybe SZF members should put on such events. Discussion made on Rep possibly visiting other Forums. Facilitator stated that such decisions would affect us financially. Discussed contact list and the availability of.

- Regions need to discuss whether or not the SZF should send a representative to their RSCs to do a presentation
- Discussion on the format of the survey – that it may be too vague or confusing. Feelings that it is a step in the right direction, but need improvements to better understand how the SZF can serve the regions.
- Members of the SZF went to regions to explain our purpose – if we continue to allow them to come to their conclusions of what we are, they will find the information that is important to know that the SZF is beneficial.
- RD from Mississippi would like Rep to attend a regional function hosting the next RSC. Rep stated he would attend – body had no problem with reimbursement.
- Body agreed to reimburse airfare to Kim S. for her work as the Secretary at the current SZF.

## ROTATION SCHEDULE

- It was brought up previously and decided on this day to meet only three times per year (no meeting in April 2007).
- Next SZF (Show Me) in Kansas City, July 22-24, 2005. Will meet at Radisson / Airport - local function and dance
  - Topics:
    - Leadership – Steve S. & Zean B. (Tejas-Bluebonnet)
    - Outreach – Show Me
- October 2005 Tejas-Bluebonnet
  - Flyers for Corpus Christi SZF now available
  - Topics suggested by hosting region
    - Apathy in Service
    - Keeping Long Lifers
  - SZF suggestions:
    - Creating Safer Environments
    - Bridging the Language Barrier