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Sent: Thursday, July 6, 2023 1:52 PM
To: Winston Berkman-Breen
Cc: Claire Stein-Ross; Mike Pierce; Persis Yu; Reagan Garrett T
Subject: Re: Symposium logistics

Categories: Review

And one follow up question/concern from the AG regarding the agenda.

Can you confirm this is politically balanced? She is VERY concerned that the current agenda does not include enough of a balance and she will face criticism for hosting a one-sided, Dem-only, event.

Can one of you speak to that to ease her concerns?

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Hi Winston,

My answers are below:

1. Is there a room block that you're using for NAAG? Is so: what hotel, are there still available rooms, for which nights, what rate, and can others access the block?

Yes, there is a room block for the NAAG attendees at the Porter Hotel. Unfortunately, only NAAG attendees can book the rooms and they must do so through NAAG. (It's a direct bill arrangement between the Porter and NAAG. Not a room block.) We are reviewing a contract TODAY for a block of rooms at the same hotel at the same rate of \$158 / night. We hope to sign the contract today. Stay tuned for more information.

2. For speakers, can you confirm OR DOJ can pay for airfare and hotels? Our understanding is that OAG speakers will be covered by the State Center, up to 12 staff.

I cannot confirm this quite yet. I am still working with our team to get sign off. I think I may be able to cover flights and hotel for five presenters, but not all 11 that I see highlighted on the agenda (Highlighted names means they need/want travel paid for, correct?).

The State Center has offered to pay for one night at the Porter for individuals who are attending BOTH the NAAG training and symposium. We have 15 (or 16) individuals attending both who do not live in Oregon.

3. What are the dinner logistics and how can we help pin these down?

We are planning to host a reception paid for by the SBPC in the atrium of the building where the symposium will take place. Can you confirm the SBPC will pay for this? Garrett (cc'd here) has more information about what will be provided (beer, wine, bubbly water, etc.) and how much the reception will cost.

A buffet dinner in the same location will follow. It's our hope that the non-profit, Oregon Consumer Justice can cover the costs associated with dinner, but I won't know for sure until tomorrow.

4. If we hand off a list of panelist/speaker RSVPs to you this week, does that work? We can update going forward as needed?

Yes, please do send us that information ASAP.

It's my understanding the following individuals have confirmed they will attend and present, but need/want flights and hotel paid for:

1. Martha Fulford
2. Rachel Dempsey
3. Ellie Blume
4. Stephanie Hall
5. Eileen Conner
6. Abby Shaforth
7. Suzanne Martindale

Is that correct?

I also see pending invitations to 8. Chavis Jones, 9. Robyn Smith, 10. Charlie Eaton and 11. Laura Hamilton. Once they confirm, it appears they'll need/want flights and hotel as well, correct?

And it's my understanding SBPC will pay flights and hotel for all other panelists, correct?

That's it for now.

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Hi Winston,

All good questions.

I'll get back to you tomorrow with more information and answers.

Talk soon,

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From: Winston Berkman-Breen <winston@protectborrowers.org>

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Hi Ellen,

We've gotten a bunch of invites out and are following up/whipping RSVPs. I wanted to check in about a few logistical points.

Some specific questions:

1. Is there a room block that you're using for NAAG? Is so: what hotel, are there still available rooms, for which nights, what rate, and can others access the block?
2. For speakers, can you confirm OR DOJ can pay for airfare and hotels? Our understanding is that OAG speakers will be covered by the State Center, up to 12 staff.
3. What are the dinner logistics and how can we help pin these down?
4. If we hand off a list of panelist/speaker RSVPs to you this week, does that work? We can update going forward as needed?

Let us know if we're overlooking anything!

As a reminder, Mike and Persis are both out next week, so please make sure to include Claire and me on all planning emails between now and the event. (Everyone is copied here.)

Thanks!

Winston

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