

Missouri Artisan Association
dba Best of Missouri Hands
After Conference Wrap-up Discussion
Isle of Capri; Booneville, Missouri
March 14, 2010

COMMENTS:

- Specific courses with more intensive information as pre-conference courses.
- Policy needs to be developed on conference finances. What job title should be hired and compensated and what will be volunteer labor. Many jobs to put on a conference are year-long obligations and the person does not get the benefits of the conference because they are working behind the scene to make it successful.
- Policy and guidelines for when items that have been donated for the conference are sold if leftover.
- Hospitality room will be moved down to main conference level and be bigger, although it is likely it will increase costs..
- Staff of the hotel were pleasant and worked well with us to make things work.
- Work on reviews of showcase by presenter and how to move them along to get more out of the session. Recommend to keep it more informal.
- Enough was raised this year that it is possible we could provide 2 scholarships for next year for Professional Development.
- Please email all donations made this year to Peggy.
- Nancy Kohler agreed to be co-chair of next year conference.
- Mary Benjamin has banners at her house.
- Consider options of hiring a meeting planner to plan the conference. Jan Gates name was mentioned as a possibility.
- Corporate sponsor would open a lot of doors and keep registration fee low.
- Overall most comments have been positive.