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Online Vote of the Executive Board

January 12, 2018

6:46pm

On January 11, 2018 at 2:17pm, MLA President Alex Lent sent an email message to all the members of the Executive Board. This email message read:

*Hi Everyone,*

*Conference Committee has requested an email vote. Here's how this is going to work.*

***1. Read steps 1 through 6.***

*2. Read the "information about the request" section below step 6 and review the two attachments for information about the vote.*

*3. Because this vote has been requested by a committee, it does not need to be moved or seconded, so* ***do not move or second this vote.***

*4. Discussion is allowed. We will allow discussion from the time this email is sent until 9am on the morning of Friday, January 12. That's tomorrow.*

*5. Shortly after 9am tomorrow, I will reply to this email asking people to vote YEA, NAY, or ABSTAIN. Voting will be open until 5pm Friday, January 12. That's end of business tomorrow.* ***PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT A VOTE UNTIL YOU RECEIVE TOMORROW MORNING'S EMAIL FROM ME.***

*6. After 5pm tomorrow, I will send an email with the vote results.*

***Information about the request:***

*Conference would like to add a category called "Premium Tabletop." Premium Tabletops are less expensive than a booth, but more expensive than a standard tabletop, and would be located outside of the exhibit hall by the entrance. These tabletops would get higher visibility than a standard tabletop because of their location. Conference expects to see a 30% increase in revenue from the addition of this category.*

*A table showing the three categories is attached, as is a floor plan.*

*This needs to happen via email, because the decision needs to be made expediently.*

*Discussion?*

*Thanks,*

*Alex*

On January 11, 2018 at 3:40pm Alex Lent sent this message in response to a question from Nanci Miloni Hill:

*Good question, Nanci.   
  
I poorly restated the 30% increase. I believe what I should have said what that the cost of a Premium Tabletop is 30% higher than the cost of a Standard Tabletop. The $5000 that the Premium Tabletops could bring in would represent a 20% increase over the income of the Booths and Standard Tabletops alone.*

*Sorry for mixing this up.*

*On Thu, Jan 11, 2018 at 3:29 PM, Nanci Milone-Hill <*[*nhill@dracutlibrary.org*](mailto:nhill@dracutlibrary.org)*> wrote:*

*Just wondering where they got the 30% increase in revenue figure from.*

*Nanci*

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On January 12, 2018 at 9:44am Alex Lent sent this message:

*Hi Everyone,*

*The discussion period has now ended, so voting will begin. Please reply to this email with yea, nay, or abstain. Voting will close at 5pm today.*

*A yes vote will allow the Conference Committee to add the Premium Tabletop category as proposed.*

*Please reply with your vote.*

*Thanks,*

*Alex*

On January 12, 2018 at 6:43pm, Alex Lent announced the result of the vote through an email message to all the members of the Executive Board. This email message read:

*Hi everyone,*

*The voting period has now ended and the yeas have it. The motion passes.*

*Thanks everyone. Happy weekend!*

*Alex*