

The Convention and Events Committee met throughout the 2004 Convention to establish policy for future conventions. The 2004/05 Convention and Events committee is comprised of eight delegates: Amina Rai, Rahul Vanjani, Edison Jefford, Fernando de la Mora, Mari Takeda, Huseng Vefali, Allison Harry, and Wrenese Thomas as well as SWA staff members including Lauren Batchelder, Krisy Downer, Alireza Hajhosseini, and Tyler Bolender.

The committee decided on a set of formal criteria for planning and implementing future conventions. Per guidelines established by the committee chapters will submit proposals for convention sites to the Convention and Events committee. The Convention and Events Committee will examine each proposal submitted with the following criteria in mind:

1. Proposed convention plans will be presented to the Committee and the agenda should be approved by the Committee members.
2. Proposals must be submitted by established SWA chapters.
3. Student World Assembly (SWA) chapters submitting proposals must have at least 7 members.
4. SWA chapters submitting proposals must have held a SWA regional event and submit feedback to the Convention committee in the form of verifiable documentation from participants at the event to demonstrate capacity and support.
5. Written local and university endorsement, logistical support, and if possible sponsorship will be submitted to the committee by the SWA chapter making the proposal.
6. The Events and Convention Committee will formally recommend a site to the assembly speaker/vice-speaker who will then, upon approval, submit the recommendation to the Co-Executive Directors for final approval.
7. For the upcoming 2005 convention, the convention committee will stop accepting applications on October 31, 2004. For future Conventions the application deadline will be 4 weeks prior to the convention so that the committee will deliberate on the location for the next convention. The 2005 convention committee will address the suggestion to create an application deadline 14-18 months before the actual convention.

The Convention and Events committee will continue its work through the internet and other means until the 2005 SWA Convention, at which point committee membership will transition to the 2005/06 committee.