



NEFA Web Site Ad Hoc Subcommittee Report
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The ad hoc subcommittee has met one time with 5 members showing interest in participating in this subcommittee. It is the conscience of the subcommittee, with the approval of the area, to get the ad hoc subcommittee voted in as a standing subcommittee and proceed with the design of a web site that best represents the conscience of the area as a whole.

Since the Internet has become such an integral part of many people's lives, we feel that the most sensible thing to do as an area is to create a presence on the Internet to achieve our fifth tradition which states "Each group has but one primary purpose—to carry the message to the addict who still suffers."

The following establishes the front-end costs involved in providing a vehicle to host the web site and the future ongoing costs associated with maintaining that presence:

Hosting (a place to store the displayed web site)

1. Blue Host – The cost is \$6.95 a month when purchasing a two year hosting option. Total expenditure initially: \$166.80. This will cover a two-year hosting period. After the initial expenditure there are no hidden costs for the two-year period. There is a second option with Blue Host to purchase a one-year hosting option at \$7.95 a month, which would work out to an upfront expenditure of \$95.40. The domain decided upon will be free with Blue Host as long as the area uses Blue Host as the service provider.
2. Host Monster - The price for two years with free domain and hosting is \$166.80 and is actually the same price as Blue Host. After asking about the special pricing it was stated that the price is \$118.80 for two years free domain and hosting. Their services are almost identical to Blue Host. Bottom line would be \$118.80 for a one year Free Domain and Hosting service plan and other options for hosting 3, 6 and 12 month packages at a non reduced rate
3. Go Daddy - Hosting prices are negotiable based on how long you are willing to sign up and domains are not free with the bottom line being in the \$180-\$190 range for 24 months of hosting for the Deluxe Package. This can be negotiated for further discount with a longer hosting agreement. The inconsistencies involved with pricing, length of hosting and the associated costs were vague and the very mention of a negotiation process doesn't seem to be clear.

Copyright

Registration of a basic claim in an original work of authorship – Cost \$45 (paper), \$35 (online). This is one time cost and the copyright exists for a term of 75 years.

In closing, the ad hoc subcommittee looks forward to serving the area. If the home groups feel this is something worthwhile to go forward with the subcommittee asks that a motion be brought forward at next month's area (August) asking to establish the ad hoc subcommittee as a standing subcommittee. We would then go forth with creating a survey type document to be distributed to the home groups to gather ideas from the area members indicating what information they would see helpful on their website.

In loving service,
The Web Design Ad Hoc Subcommittee

