

NVA Delegate Selection Options

**Developed by the Volunteer Structure Committee based on survey feedback from the 2009 NVA delegates and team chairs.*

ALL EXAMPLES BELOW ARE BASED ON 2009 PROGRAM TOTALS.

Option #1

**One (1) delegate per active chartered AFS-USA chapter
(Includes both Affiliated and Unaffiliated Chapters)**

On 3/01/2010 we had 231 active chartered chapters (this includes the Unaffiliated Chapters)

Budget implications:

**\$850.00 is the approx cost of 1 delegate*

- $231 \times \$850.00 = \$196,350.00$

**notes:*

- *Affiliated chapters of Area Teams would receive delegates. Area Teams, would not receive delegates.*
- *there could be the option of including at-large delegates at an additional cost of \$850.00/at-large delegate*
- *this budget does include the cost of any staff or international partner guests or other guests/presenters*
- *All delegates must be a registered volunteer, and at least 18 years of age.*
- ***in this option, each chapter might need to contribute a registration fee***
- *definition of an active chapter is:*
 4. *Have two or more registered volunteers, not from the same family or household listed on a chapter roster.*
 5. *Have at minimum a Chapter Chair and, if the Chapter raises funds or maintains an AFS bank account, a Chapter Treasurer.*
 6. *All Unaffiliated Chapters are required to have a Chair and a Treasurer because they manage and receive co-support funds.*
 7. *Affiliated Chapters who do not raise funds or maintain an AFS bank account, do not require a Treasurer and will need at minimum a Chair and one additional registered volunteer.*
 8. *Host or send at least one student per 3 year period*
 9. *Complete an annual chapter report*
 10. *Participate in an Annual Review of performance and quality standards*
 11. *Have all local funds accounted for in accordance with AFS-USA corporate financial requirements Have the AFS-USA Chief Administration Officer entered as co-signer on all local accounts*
 12. *Have all local funds in excess of \$1000 on deposit with AFS-USA*

Option #2

One (1) delegate per 360 participant months

**please see attached excel spreadsheet outlining the calculations for PAX months*

In 2009 the average # of participants months per AT was 361.11. There were 31,778 participant months in 2009.

360 PAX months = 1 delegate

Budget implications:

**\$850.00 is the approx cost of 1 delegate*

- $31,778/360 = 88$ delegates
- $88 \times \$850.00 = \$74,800.00$

**notes:*

- *there could be the option of including at-large delegates at an additional cost of \$850.00/at-large delegate*
- *this budget does include the cost of any staff or international partner guests or other guests/presenters*
- *All delegates must be a registered volunteer, and at least 18 years of age.*

Option #3

One delegate per 40 participants (hosted/sent)

**This is the current process.*

40-79 program participants = 1 delegate
80-119 program participants = 2 delegates
120-159 program participants = 3 delegates

Budget implications:

**\$850.00 is the approx cost of 1 delegate*

- $3745/40 = 94$ delegates
- $94 \times \$850.00 = \$79,900.00$
- \$85,000 (budget for 2010 – which includes Area Team/Unaffiliated delegates)

**notes:*

- *there could be the option of including at-large delegates at an additional cost of \$850.00/at-large delegate*
- *this budget does include the cost of any staff or international partner guests or other guests/presenters*
- *All delegates must be a registered volunteer, and at least 18 years of age.*

⇒ **Area Team Delegates:**

Area Teams will have one delegate to the NVA for each group of 40 program participants (hosting and sending combined).

The AT Chair is the first delegate. In cases where the AT Chair cannot attend, the area team volunteers will elect an alternate to attend in their absence.

There is no limit to the number of delegates that one Area Team can have as it is based on their program participant numbers. Additional delegates will be elected by the area team volunteers.

⇒ **Unaffiliated Chapter Delegates:**

Unaffiliated chapters will also have one delegate to the NVA for each group of 40 program participants (combined hosting and sending). The Chapter Chair will be the first delegate. Unaffiliated chapters with fewer than 40 participants will be grouped together with other unaffiliated chapters for the purpose of electing delegates to the NVA.