

# DISTRICT 16 BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

## January 21, 2009

### ROLL CALL BY SIGN-IN SHEET

**Members Present:** Barbara D. D.C.M., Ian C. GSR, Mitch S. GSR, Tanea W. GSR, Tim B. DCM-B, Linda P. GSR, Marla S. DCM-A, Kelley S. GSR/Treasurer, David B. GSR, Russ S. Schedules, Frank P. Alt. GSR, Rick R. GSR, Mike S. GSR, Celina S. GSR, Vance W. GSR, Bernadette S. Alt. GSR, Dusti C. CPC/PI, Richard R. GSR, Katie G. GSR, Pat D. Access, Kris L. GSR, Stan P. GSR, Eileen P. GSR, Peter S. GSR, Buzz Central Office, Roxanne GSR, Jason E. GSR, David W. Web site, Rick B. DCM-C, Eric N. GSR, Timaree M. GSR, Jeremy W. GSR, Sue S. Al-Anon.

**Open meeting with Serenity Prayer:** Barbara D.

**Reading of the 12 Traditions:** Pat D.; **Reading of the 1st Concept:** Linda P. gave a short presentation on the 1st Concept. If anyone is interested in reading up on this Concept please refer to the service manual.

**Reading and approval of last month's meeting minutes** - Motion to accept: Dave W. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Tanea W. - APPROVED

**Treasurer's Report:** Kelly S. - Activities for the month: \$827.10 income; \$686.75 expenses. Starting balance; \$3,071.90; ending balance \$3,055.35 less prudent reserve \$1,250.00 available balance \$1,805.35. Kelly went over the activities for the month and then passed around the 2008 financial report for everyone to look over. Motion to accept: Pat D. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Katie G. APPROVED.

**New GSR's:** Jason E. GSR from the Ashland 9am meeting, Stan GSR from the Valley of the Rogue meeting, Eileen Alt. GSR from Serious for Sobriety meeting, and Roxanne from the Serious for Sobriety meeting, and Peter from the Jacksonville Step Study.

### Announcements:

-February 12-15<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Salt Lake City, Utah 45<sup>th</sup> International Women's Conference.

Marriott Hotel Downtown 75 S. West Temple Salt Lake City, Utah. Registration:

<http://www.internationalwomenconference.org> or (801)947-0644.

-February 21<sup>st</sup> Eugene OR, ORCYPAA Cross Dressing Beauty Pageant fund raiser, from 6pm-10pm, at the Amazon Community Center, 2700 Hilyard St. Eugene OR, 97405. For more information contact Eric V. (541)337-2586.

--February 27 – March 1, 2008 Oregon Area 58 Quarterly Assembly, Portland OR (on-line registration on Area 58 Website)

-March 6-8<sup>th</sup>, 2009 – PRAASA 2009, Marriott City Center Hotel and Convention Center at 1001 Broadway, Oakland CA. For more information visit <http://prassa.org>.

-March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2009 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual 12-Step Panel at the RVMC Smullin Center from 6:30pm-8:00pm.

-April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Medford OR, Central Office Annual Fundraiser Breakfast. At St. Vincent DePaul 2323 N. Pacific Hwy. Medford OR. Breakfast at 10:00am and Speaker at 12:00pm. Tickets available at the Central Office 732-1850.

-April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Gold Hill OR, Women's Retreat at St. Rita's in Gold Hill. Cost will be \$100 per person which includes all expenses for the weekend.

**Guidelines:** Barbara started by going over the changes that were made from last month to the guidelines and then started on the next sections.

-Section 4 Pg. 6 Part A the last two bullet points: The first of these two being the change in the DCM having the option of going to one of the following conferences instead of being limited to only PRASSA; PRASSA, PNC, or Pacific Region Forum. The reason behind this was do to last year when PRASSA was in Alaska and PNC was in Oregon the cost was much less for the DCM to go to PNC instead of PRASSA. All of these are just as informative as the others and it is in the best interest of the District to save as much money as possible. This was voted on and it PASSED.

The second bullet point is about having the DCM attend the Central Office business meeting each month. There were some questions on whether it is necessary because of the liaison position or if it was something the Central Office even is interested in. Buzz was at the meeting and he said that the Central Office just wants to keep the communication open between them and District. It was decided that Barbara would go to the next Central Office meeting and talk to them about some options.

-Section 4 Pg. 6 Part C bullet point 8: This is for the reprinting of the Guidelines and questions were asked about why the DCM is the only person who can request the reprint. Barbara pointed out that the printing can be very expensive and so if it is just reprinted whenever anyone wants it can be costly. There was also some discussion about setting a time each year or twice yearly to reprint the guidelines or if it would work to just reprint when changes are made to it. Time ran out so this discussion will continue next month.

### Committee Reports:

**Access Committee (AC)** – Pat D. – No Report

**Archives** – Jack F. – No Report

**Public Information (PI) / Cooperation with the Professional Community** – Chair: Dusti C. Co-Chair: Open. Dusti reported that the 12 Step panel is going well. She announced that Dave W. is going to be the AA panelist. The panel is from

6:30pm-8:00pm with refreshments and booths set up from 6:00pm-9:00pm. She is still looking for a Co-Chair to get involved.

**Cooperation with Correctional Facilities (CCF)** – Open

**Cooperation with Treatment Facilities (CTF)** –Gary – Nothing new to report all seems to be well with all the treatment facilities.

**Telephones** – Leah S. – Report date for December: 100 calls total; 56 for information on meetings, 27 from men, 29 from women; 10 for Central Office; 17 12 step calls, 9 were men and 8 were women; 3 calls were unsuccessful; there were 6 calls for general information on AA; one call for a ride; one call for a Spanish speaking meeting; and one call from someone from out of town that was wanting someone to go to a meeting with.

**Grapevine** – Position is open - No Report,

**Schedules** – Russ S. – Russ dropped off schedules and then had to leave. The general feedback from everyone was that they all really liked the new format.

**Web Site** – Dave W. – All is going well, he said that he will post the changes to the Guidelines on the web site as well as the up dates on the meetings.

**District 16 Liaison to Central Office – Open.** Barbara is going to the Central Office meeting to discuss this position with them.

**AI-Anon** – Sue S. – There is a date for the Chili feed which will be March 14<sup>th</sup>, although they need to find a new location for it so that will be announced when they find the new place.

**Local DCM's:**

**A** – Marla – Not much to report except some meeting updates. Sat. Great Reality Closed meeting is now a 1.5 hour meeting, the new women's meeting is doing well, and the new step study after the Sunday morning meeting is doing well also. Everything is going well.

**Group Report for A area –**

None

**B** – Tim B. – All is going well, he is trying to make it to an assortment of meetings that are on the schedule.

**Group Reports for B area –**

Kris L. announced a dance and potluck at 36 S. Central on February 14<sup>th</sup> for Valentines Day. The potluck starts at 5pm and the dance will start at 8pm.

Pat D. the women's meeting at 36 S. Central on Friday nights at 5:30pm could use some strong support, so please attend if possible.

Gary also wanted to mention that the men's meeting at 36 S. Central on Tues. at 4pm could also use some good support from men.

**C** – Rick B. – Rick announced that the Butte Falls meetings are cancelled until spring. He is still working on updating the list Barbara gave him to work on updating. Things are going well.

**Group Reports for C area –**

Jeremy from the Ruch 903 meeting said that they are going to discuss the annual campout and whether they will continue it this year. This will be at the business meeting for this month.

**DCMC** – Barbara – She is recuperating well and the pain is much better. She thanked everyone for their patience and support. She met with a group to start planning the 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition workshop, the group included Marla, Jimmy J., Ian, Tanea, Tim, and Rick. Tanea then gave the report and presented two motions: the committee interested in planning the 7<sup>th</sup> tradition workshop met on January 15<sup>th</sup> to discuss the options for the said, approved, workshop. Thank you for the opportunity to plan such a coveted event. This workshop is in high demand across the state. The long and short of it is we will be informed and entertained with...Ready for the proposed particulars... Saturday April 11<sup>th</sup> with a proposed 3-5pm is slot at the Alano Club located at 1921 Elm Ave. (motion 1) We request that District 16 donate \$100.00 towards the cost of the facility, finger food, and refreshments for the event. Because we are going to be learning about self-support we feel it is important we practice this principle in all our affairs and (motion 2) request an additional \$100.00 be made available to offset the cost of travel for our panelists. This is an amazing opportunity for the District to put on an event with the monies the groups have already donated to us with the intention to provide services to all the groups. The two motions were voted on and both Passed unanimously. Barbara then reminded everyone about the up coming assembly Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>-March 1<sup>st</sup>. This will be the assembly where the agenda items will be passed out so Barbara wanted to remind everyone to attend the appropriate round table being the treatment facilities.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** Motion presented by Dave W.: To create email addresses for the various District 16 chair positions to be transferred to the new chair at the end of the term of service. All of the email would be created on gmail (google mail) and start with "Dist 16" and then the committee-for example, [Dist16Archives@gmail.com](mailto:Dist16Archives@gmail.com) for archives, [Dist16PI@gmail.com](mailto:Dist16PI@gmail.com) for the PI, etc. These emails will be posted on the website for communication to the various chair people. Current Practice: none. Intent & Purpose: There is no existing method for contacting chair people from the existing website without giving out personal email addresses. This allows 1.) transfer of the email address at the end of the term, 2.) consistency in the names used for email addresses, and 3.) Ease of communication to the chair people. Potential downfall: If the email is used for improper communication, it could implicate District 16. There should be some disclaimer signed by each of the committee chairs that they are solely responsible for the content sent out and should be used for District 16 purposes only. Financial Impact: None. This was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tanea and voting Passed motion.

2<sup>nd</sup> Motion presented by Dave W. regarding the DCM mileage reimbursement. Dave presented motion and it was 2<sup>nd</sup> by

Mitch, there was not enough time to have any discussion or to vote so David B. made a motion to suspend this motion until the next business meeting so that there is more time for discussion, it was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chase voted and passed.

**Motion to adjourn:** Tim B., 2nd Rick B.

**Meeting adjourned:** 8:35pm