

DISTRICT 16 BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

July 15th, 2009

ROLL CALL BY SIGN-IN SHEET

Members Present: Barbara D. DCM, Tanea W. GSR, Kelley S. GSR/Treasurer, Mike S. GSR, Craig C. GSR, Tim B. DCM-B, Brian J. GSR, Vance W. GSR, Lucy J. GSR, Jason E. GSR/CCF, Ian C. GSR, Kelly K. Group Member, John R. GSR, Mike K. GSR, Gayle W. GSR, Bernadette S. GSR, Peter S. GSR/CTF, Ryan D. Alt. GSR, Mike W. GSR, Katie G. GSR, Stan P. GSR, Shelly S. GSR, Bob D. GSR, Roxanne W. GSR, Marla S. DCM-A, David W. Website, Russ S. Schedules, Bill S. CO Liaison, Sue B. Al-Anon.

Open meeting with Serenity Prayer: Barbara D.

Reading of the 12 Traditions: Ryan; **Reading of the 7th Concept:** Katie

Reading and approval of last month's meeting minutes - Motion to accept: Tim B. 2nd: Tanea B. - APPROVED

Treasurer's Report: Kelley S. - Activities for the month: \$524.45 income; \$352.00 expenses. Starting balance; \$1,088.57; ending balance \$824.71; less prudent reserve \$1,250.00; available balance \$(425.29). Kelley reported that the income was up this month which is good. She also passed around the receipts and she said to let her know if the groups that contributed do not want their donations published. Motion to accept: Tanea WB., 2nd: Gayle W. - APPROVED.

New GSRs: Ryan Alt. GSR from How It Works group.

Announcements: See Pg 2 of Agenda

Committee Reports:

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

Archives – Position open.

Public Information (PI) / Cooperation with the Professional Community – Chair: Dusti C. Co-Chair: Carol T. – Not present, no report.

Cooperation with Correctional Facilities (CCF) – Jason E. - Nothing new to report, he is still going to contact past chairs for advice.

Cooperation with Treatment Facilities (CTF) – Peter reported that there is only one treatment facility that he has not contacted and he will get schedules out to them.

Telephones – Leah S. – Report given by Barbara; 86 total calls for the month. 56 calls for meeting times 23 from men and 33 from women. 10 12 step calls 6 were from men and 4 from women. 18 calls were for Central Office information 9 were from men and 9 from women. There were 4 misc. calls 2 from men and 2 from women. Leah has the updated volunteer phone list and put it in an excel format, she will drop it off at the answering service soon. Shelley asked if the GSRs are still supposed to pass the lists around for people to sign up. Barbara said that if people still would like to sign up they are welcome to and there can never be too many people available to help take calls.

Grapevine – Position is open - No Report,

Schedules – Russ S. – Russ brought about 350 schedules to the meeting and reported that he dropped off 2000 at Central Office and he will bring another 350 to the next meeting. There were a total of 3000 schedules printed this time. Barbara asked why so many went to Central Office and only 350 to the District meeting. Russ said it was decided at the last District meeting to take the majority to Central Office right after printing because all meetings were out of schedules and that was a central location for everyone to get some and not have to wait until the July District meeting. Barbara asked if that was something everyone wanted done from now on or if people would like more at the District meetings. The majority said that they would like more brought to the District meetings from now on because not everyone can make it to Central Office during open hours to pick them up.

Web Site – Dave W. – Reported that things are going well he is updating the Chairs and their emails.

District 16 Liaison to Central Office –Open – Mike K. reported that Bill S. has been chosen by Central Office to be their liaison to District 16 and so if District wanted to vote Bill in as their liaison as well then the position could be filled. Barbara asked if there was anyone else present that wanted to stand for the position, no one else stood. She then asked for a vote and it PASSED for Bill to be the District liaison to Central Office. Bill announced that Central Office is soon going to have their own Web site soon. Welcome Bill!!

Al-Anon – Sue S. – Sue apologized for not being able to make it to the last couple meetings. She announced that she will be resigning early from her position. She will be at the next meeting and will hopefully be bringing the new chair with her. She wants the new chair to attend AA meetings as well as the District meetings as part of the position. Sue wanted to thank AA and everyone who helped make her experience and own recovery a blessing.

Local DCM's:

A – Marla – Reports that the women's meeting on Wednesday nights is doing great, and there are a couple of people showing interest in starting the young peoples meeting in Ashland at a treatment center there. Marla is also excited that she will be moving back to Ashland soon, so it will be easier for her to make it to the Ashland meetings.

Group Report for A area –

- None

B – Tim B. – Reports that all is going well, no new news.

Group Reports for B area –

- Craig C. from the Dog on the Roof meeting wanted to thank everyone who came and supported the picnic. He also wanted to remind men that the Campout will be August 28-30 and tickets are available at the Dog on the Roof Meeting.
- Tanea WB from the Medford Fellowship Group thanked everyone who participated in the campout, all went really well, and reminded everyone of the picnic that is coming up.

C – Rick B. – No Report, not present

Group Reports for C area –

- Roxanne reminded everyone about the Willow Lake campout starting July 16th.
- Peter reported that the Ruch picnic went well; there was a good turn out. The Jacksonville Book Study is now starting on the Traditions.
- Craig announced that the Way Out Group in Eagle Point on Sunday nights at 7pm could use some more support so if anyone is out that way he invited everyone to attend.

DCMC – Barbara – Not a lot to report, she thanked Tim B. for running the meeting last month for her. She has finished updating the Chair's emails and is getting a flier together for the upcoming elections in October. Positions that will need to be filled include: DCM, DCM-C, and Secretary.

Old Business: Guidelines: Barbara gave a short overview of the guidelines and the purpose of having them, to refresh everyone's minds. Page 5 Section C, bullet point #1: Grapevine Chair would be filled by the DCM that is rotating out. Discussion: There were some concerns about what if someone else wanted that position. Barbara pointed out that this position has been open for a long time. She also commented that this was to follow what the practice is at the Area level, which is the Delegate that is rotating out goes into the Grapevine Chair. This has a couple of purposes; first, is that these people have been very active in service for such a long time that it helps them to still feel involved, second is that it keeps them there to help guide the new Delegate and to keep their experiences and knowledge there in case questions arise. Other concerns were if attaching a 4 year commitment to the DCM position would decrease the attraction of the position making harder to find people to fill that position. Shelly said that she thinks that most people who are standing for this position love general service and are in it for the duration. The vote was then taken. Vote: Passed. Page 8 Section D, bullet point #3-5: For bullet point 3 it was decided that it was a given duty for the webmaster to maintain and update the web site, no discussion or vote needed. Bullet point 4 in regards to responding to feedback from the web site, there was a question on if the feedback was not for the webmaster and for the DCM or a Committee Chair how is the webmaster to respond to those. Barbara said that it may be that the response given from the webmaster in those circumstances would be that he/she would pass the question on to the appropriate person for the answer. The vote was then taken. Vote: Passed. For bullet point 5 regarding the webmaster updating meeting changes requested from Central Office, District 16 schedules Chair or the Groups themselves raised some questions on the wording "Groups themselves" and it was suggested to say the "Group's GSR". This is because the final check on the actual meetings comes from the GSRs and it helps to keep confusion on who makes the actual changes for the schedules. There was also a question on why Central Office is allowed to make changes on the schedules but Barbara reminded everyone that they pay for half of the cost for schedules and it is a general communication area for people to pass on information. The vote was then taken. Vote: Passed.

District 16 Motion: Tanea WB presented a motion: Motion: Telephones and 12 Step "How To" Workshop. Intent and Purpose: Provide guidance to the fellowship on the "How To's" of taking a call from the answering service. Selected panelist will share their personal experience on 12 step calls. Time Line: July – take motion back to groups- research locations and dates Aug- bring options back from group on date and location for workshop - committee will meet after dist meeting to decide on location and date. Sep – Flyers would be available at Central Office and brought to D16 meeting. Oct – OUTREACH OUTREACH OUTREACH. First week of November have workshop. Financial Impact: Budget would be kept to under \$50.00 for the rent of the facility if necessary, panels would be chosen locally, and the event could be a desert potluck social (ish). ☺ Cost of flyers for outreach should be approx. \$10-\$15 for 100 or 150 copies depending on pricing. Yours in Service, Tanea WB – if you or someone you know is interested in being a panelist please email me at taneaw@gmail.com – the committee will decide on the panelist. The motion was 2nd by Dave W. Discussion was opened. Shelly asked what the requirements are for a panelist. Tanea said they would be people who have done 12 step calls both on the phone and in person. Gayle asked what size of room is needed for the workshop. Tanea said that they are hoping for 20 – 30 people so a room that would accommodate that number. Tanea also said that the dates depend on when the facility is available or when the group hosting the event chooses to have it, they would like it to be either a Saturday or Sunday.

Post Delegate Report: Craig passed around a food sign up sheet for the groups that are going to bringing a dish to the report. He thanked everyone who signed up, and asked those who were not sure to call him so that they didn't end up with ten of the same dish. Craig then gave updates on where we are with the finances for the event. Rent for the building will be split in half with District 7 and our half will be \$37.50, there was also a small charge split for the cost of fliers as well which brings it up to around \$41.00 total with rent. Craig asked for a budget he would be allowed to have to get plates, silverware, cups, napkins, etc. which would also be a split cost with District 7. Stan proposed a limit of \$75.00 total for everything to use for the event. This was 2nd by Russ S., vote was then taken: Passed.

Motion to adjourn: Tanea, 2nd by Craig **Meeting adjourned:** 8:25pm