

## DISTRICT 16 BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Smullen Health Education Center - Room 104

November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2011 - 7 p.m.

Roll call by sign-in sheet

Kelly K., DCMC; Tanea B., LDCM A; Jeremy W., LDCM C; Craig C., Secretary; Wayne T., Treasurer / Central Office Liaison; Laurie H., Archivist; Michael B., Schedules; Brian J., Web Site; Ranie B., Alt Chair PI/CPC; Mitch S., Grapevine; Gail J., Al Anon Liaison; Ann J., AGSR; Barb R., GSR; Carrie H., GSR; Dave S., GSR; David C., GSR; David D., GSR; Eric S., GSR; Happy L., GSR; Michael C., GSR; Robert R., GSR; Kelley S., Outgoing Secretary;

Open meeting with the Serenity Prayer

Introduce New GSRs: No new GSR's this month.

Reading of the 12 Traditions: Lorry H.

Reading of 11th Concept: Craig C.

Approval of last month's meeting minutes – Kelley S. Motion to approve by Ranie B., Seconded: Craig C. **Passed**

Treasurer's Report ~ Wayne T.

Motion made prior to final report by Tanea B., Motion was to pay the Smullen Center an additional \$120.00 to cover the rent for the last 12 months. Seconded: Kelly K. **Passed**

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as amended by Kelley S., Seconded: Tanea B. **Passed**

**These are the activities for the period of 10/19/11 through 11/16/11. The Total Income for the District was \$642.63. The Total Expenses for the District were \$1208.53. This leaves the District with a Net Loss of \$565.90. The District's checking balance as of 11/16/11 is \$3555.90. When the \$1250.00 Prudent Reserve is subtracted, the District is left with a Working Balance of \$2305.90.**

**Announcements:** None were included. Check Web Site for updated information.

### Committee Reports:

#### **Access Committee (AC) – Open**

#### **Archives – Laurie H.**

My name is Laurie H. and I am an alcoholic. I have the honor of being your new District 16 Archivist.

I have visited the Archives Closet at the Alano Club. There are about 5 or 6 boxes on the shelves. I went through a few, enough to see that my work will begin with classifying and indexing what we have, per our guidelines.

It would be helpful to put our files into real file boxes with hanging folders, etc... Currently there is not room for a file cabinet in the closet due to the shelving otherwise, a fire-proof cabinet would be ideal. Acid-Free file boxes, hangers and folders can be obtained from a catalogue of archival materials.

Being new here, I have a couple questions that I hope someone here can answer.

1. Do the shelves in the closet belong to the District or the Alano Club? *The census of the meeting was that the Archivist Closet was built for the District 16 and what is inside should also belong to District 16.*

a) Can one of them be removed to be replaced by a file cabinet? *Yes, we should be able to remove one of the shelves to put in a filing cabinet.*

2. Does the Archives Committee have a budget? If so, can I get a copy of that? *No. The District has not had Committee Budgets going on 3 years now. If there are items that are needed for the Archives then this is the time to request funds from the District.*

3. Shall I price file boxes, hanging files and folders and/or a file cabinet to be requested by December's meeting?

Thank you for letting me be of service.

**Cooperation with Correctional Facilities (CCF) – Jason E.** Not Present.

**Cooperation with Treatment Facilities (CTF) – Open.**

**Telephones – Lorry H. was voted into the telephones position.**

**Schedules – Open.** No one has stepped forward to stand for this position.

**Web Site – Open.** May have someone interested in the position. We will know after Thanksgiving.

**Public Information / Cooperation w/ the Professional Community (PI/CPC) Chair – Linda P.** Not Present.

**Public Information / Cooperation w/ the Professional Community (PI/CPC) Alt Chair – Ranie B.** Reports that she was working to contact local Doctors and ran into circumstances so, now things have changed gears and she has been contacting the local TV and Radio Stations to see if they can help us get the word out over the Holiday Season. She is just waiting for some calls to be returned.

**Grapevine – Barbara D.** Not Present

**District 16 Liaison to Central Office - Wayne T.** Reports that the Parking Ticket was cut in half but, would like to pass on that the New Parking Fine is \$25.00 so, when you come by, do not over stay your time limit. Central Office is now the sole occupant of the office now. The Central Office has found a new Web Master. Lastly, Virginia H. can always use an article if you want to get into the "On the Rogue Again".

**AI-Anon – Gail J.** Gail advised us that AI-Anon, had just finished up with their fundraiser, "The Dessert Social". They had fair attendance. She would like to give special thanks to their AA Speaker: Tanea B. They also, had a surprise guest speaker who was a local Ala-teen. She did very well. Just a reminder, the Ala-teen meetings are still going on. Fair to sparse attendance but, they are still happening and they are needed so much.

**DCMC: – Mitch S.**

District 16 DCMC report for November 2011:

It is with great honor that I write and share my last report to you here in District 16 as your DCM. This has been by far the most eye opening and humbling experiences thus far in my sobriety journey and thank you from the bottom of my heart and soul for the opportunity to grow and learn about AA as I have. I have been in contact with the CTF south person from the Area as he was asking me about the bridging the gap program and some other Treatment facilities related inquires in which I referred him to our past chair Peter S. through an email to get the answers that he was looking for. Upon doing so I made a decision to talk with Matt V. about taking on the position here at the district level since he already works in that field. After a little badmouthing (jokingly of course) I think I have prompted him into standing for this position, if we already appointed him at this time well then thank you again, and if he failed to show up or chickened out here is the point we call him out and see if he is ready and willing to help the district out by taking the job. HAHA sorry Matt had to do it! I made it down to the Central Office and picked up the assortment of books that we purchased for the Jackson County Juvenile Hall and took them into the facility personally. The receptionist that buzzed me through was astonished that we would purchase and provide them with so many brand new books, and the lady who runs the Juvenile recovery meeting programs in there was more than appreciative and has promised to stay in touch with regards to the possibility of eventually taking meetings in there on our own. I am excited about taking on the Grapevine Chair position and hope to be as creative in ways to get our AA literature to the places it might best serve alcoholics as I have in the past with other regards. Also I haven't announced it yet at least I don't think I have but I have been chosen to serve the Oregon Area as the Newsletter Chair I am very excited about this as well. I will be helping Kelly K our new DCMC get acquainted with some of the tasks so that she will have a seamless transition into her new job in AA. We will get the bank account switched over and get everyone's email address entered into her contacts as well, so here is your chance if you do not receive the minutes via email and would like too please get me or Kelly your email address so that you can receive them in that fashion. I am truly grateful that you all had allowed me to represent you for the last 2 yrs and helped me to grow stronger roots within AA. Thank you ever so much!

No longer you're DCMC Mitch S.

**LDCMA – Tanea B.**

Hello my name is Tanea and...

November is the best month ever; it contains both my sobriety birthday and my belly button birthday, just saying! Now on to AA business, I created a small packet for each of my groups in the Ashland Phoenix Talent area in hopes to deliver the final conference report information and obtain new group contact information. I have not been able to attend all of the Ashland Talent Phoenix meetings so if I have not made it to your home group or you are a regular attendee at another group one I would love to have your help in delivering this informational packet. Please get with me after the meeting.

YIS, Tanea B

### **Area A: (Ashland, Phoenix, Talent.) Group Reports**

No Group reports this month.

### **LDCMB –Craig C.**

Good Evening Members of District 16. My name is Craig Coggins and I am an alcoholic. This is my last Report as your LDCM B and there is a lot of emotions and feelings running about inside of me. This last two years has been bitter sweet. I worked hard getting out to all the meetings in my area of District 16. Today, as I pass this position on there are 62 meetings in 38 different locations. When I began my term in November of 2009, we had 36 S. Central. This meeting location was one of the Historic Meeting Locations in Medford. It was open everyday and held a variety of meetings throughout the week. With this meeting being closed, there has definitely been a change in Alcoholics Anonymous in Medford. It will be forever remembered on my AA walk. Thank You for the opportunity to serve. It has been a wonderful two years of growth, sobriety, and spirituality. I hope to continue to see each of you on my path of sobriety and in my continued service to Alcoholics Anonymous.

Craig A. Coggins

### **Area B: (Medford) Group Reports**

No Group reports this month.

### **LDCMC – Jeremy W.**

Nothing to report this month.

### **Area C: (Prospect, Butte Falls, Shady Cove, Gold Hill, Eagle Point, White City, Central Point, Jacksonville, Ruch, Applegate.) Group Reports**

Mike would like to announce that there is a new meeting in Rogue River called The Sobriety Bakers Meeting on Tuesday's at 6:30 PM at Our Lady of The River Church on 3625 North River Road. It is an open meeting and it is wheel chair accessible. It has also, been placed on the web site.

**Old Business:** No old business issues this month.

**New Business:**

### **Rotations:**

**Kelley S. rotates out of the Secretary Position and Craig C. rotates in.**

**Mitch S. rotates out of DCM Chair and Kelly K. rotates in.**

**Barbara D. rotates out of Grapevine Chair and Mitch S. rotates in.**

### **Corrections Position:**

Laurie H. is trying to get a hold of Jason E. to make contact for a friend who is interested in the helping out with the position. She has lots of experience and contacts here in our local system. Laurie's problem is that she is unable to contact Jason E. Mitch S. mentioned that at one time it was past practice to have one Male Corrections Chair and one Female Corrections Chair and he does not see why we cannot implement that again at this time. Laurie H. does not know at what capacity her friend can serve. Tanea B. brought up Jason E's status in the position. Mitch S. clarified that he was voted into the position, then went missing for about 6 months, then showed up and stated that he had talked with some contacts. He was going to be committed to the position and at this point, he has been absent for months and has one year remaining. Mitch S. has e-mailed him to no avail and does not have a current contact number. Kelley S. commented about her experience with the Co-Corrections Chairs and asked Laurie H. to invite her friend to a District Meeting. Kelley S. also, told Mitch S. that she may have a contact number for Jason E.

**Close: 8:12 PM** Kelly K. asks if there is any further business. There being no further business, Kelley S. motioned to adjourn, David C. Seconded and it passed unanimously.

**Respectfully Submitted: Craig A. Coggins**  
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