

DISTRICT 16 BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Smullen Health Education Center - Room 104

March 21st, 2012 - 7 p.m.

Roll call by sign-in sheet

Kelly K., DCMC; Tanea B., LDCM A; Shawn J., LDCM B; Jeremy W., LDCM C; Craig C., Secretary; Wayne T., Treasurer / Central Office Liaison; Laurie H., Archivist; Carmen K., CCF Chair; Matt V., CTF Chair; Lorry H., Telephones; Phil E., Schedules; Linda P., PI/CPC Chair; Gail J., Al Anon Liaison; Barb R., GSR; David C., GSR; David D., GSR; Happy L., GSR; Michael C., GSR; Ranie B., Robert R., GSR; Russ R., GSR; Susan H., GSR; Jason G., AGSR; Rob S., AGSR.

Open meeting with the Serenity Prayer

Introduce New GSR's: Jason G., Medford Fellowship Group, 1921 Elm Avenue, Medford, Various Meetings Available
Robert R., As Bill Sees It, St. Peter's Lutheran Church 1020 E. Main St., 12:00 P.M. Friday,

Reading of the 12 Traditions: Jeremy W.

Reading of the 3rd Concept: Barb R.

Approval of last month's meeting minutes – Craig C. Motion to approve by Susan H., Seconded By: Wayne T. **Passed**

Treasurer's Report - Wayne T. Motion to approve by Michael C., Seconded By: Tanea B. **Passed**

These are the activities for the period of 02/13/12 through 03/19/12. The District 16 Beginning Balance was \$3,958.02. The Total Income for the District was \$522.96. The Total Expenses for the District were \$1,386.30. This leaves the District with a Net Loss of -\$863.34. The District's checking balance as of 03/19/12 is \$3,094.68. When the \$1,250.00 Prudent Reserve is subtracted, the District is left with a Working Balance of \$1,844.68.

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

Committee Reports:

Access Committee (AC) – Open

Archives – Laurie H. – has spent about \$6.00 of the \$40.00 that was given to the archives in a motion last month on some manila folders. We are making headway organizing the Archivist Closet. While working in the Closet, Laurie found two boxes of VHS Movies that did not belong to the Archives. Her question is, what does the District want Laurie to do with the VHS Movie? Linda P. – said that before District 16 started to rent the Closet, it was shared with someone else. It might have been the Alano Club because the Medford Fellowship Group has always had the closet next door. After some discussion, Laurie is going to check with the Alano Club to see if the VHS Movies were somehow placed in the Closet by mistake. Laurie said she is also, working on the Bookmarks and will e-mail a copy out to everyone so that they can see them prior to the next Business Meeting. Tanea B. – wanted clarity given to the VHS Movies. We give Laurie responsibility to make a decision as to what to do with the VHS Movies if the Alano Club does not claim them.

Cooperation with Correctional Facilities (CCF) – Carmen K. – has been trying to get in touch with the Jail Commander. She did receive a message to call her back. Carmen will be working on that this coming week. Other than that, there is nothing else to report.

Cooperation with Treatment Facilities (CTF) – Matt V. – has apologized for his absence the last couple of months. His is student at SOU and he has had night classes on Monday and Wednesday this last Term. As for the next Term, he has set up his schedule so, that he will have Wednesdays available for District.

Telephones – Lorry H. – have finished the Phone List for the answering service. I am going to contact Answer Page and provide them with the updated Phone List. Lorry asked if we are charged by how many calls Answer Page has to make to contact an Alcoholic for the individual to speak to. The answer is yes. Lorry said that she would have Answer Page contact one or two alcoholics and if no contact then they are to contact her. This should save District 16 some money. She is going to take an updated copy of the Phone List to the Central Office as well so; they will be up to date. Craig C. – asked about the old telephone report that we used to receive at the District level from the Telephones Chair that showed how many calls were made to the answering service, how many were male and female, etc.; Is there any way that we can see that report again? Especially, since we have someone in this position again. Wayne T. – said that Mike Kelly had had something setup with Answer Page and that it would show us what type of activity we were having throughout the month. Laurie H. – said that she has run across them in the Archivist Closet if Lorry H. needs an example. Lorry H. is

going to get together with Laurie H. to find a copy of the report and see if Answer Page can begin providing us that information again.

Schedules – Phil E. – had some problems with the current printing of the schedules. There was a problem with the color red, there some type O's that were not caught, and somehow some of Tuesdays' meetings in Ashland ended up duplicating in Wednesdays column in Ashland. Phil has met with the printing company and they have agreed to reprint at 50% of the cost. That figure is \$157.50. The new color will be a shade of green. There are still thousands of red schedules that have not gone out that we will throw away but, there are a lot that are already out there. Phil admitted that he did not proofread the schedule a 100%. Wayne T. – talked about Central Office picking up there normal half the cost of the printing which would help out even more. That figure would then be \$78.75. Wayne will contact the Central Office for input. He also said that the funds are available either way. Phil will conduct another proofread and then will send it to print so; we can get the right information out right away.

Web Site – Debbie C. – has been meeting with Brian J. They have set the program up on her computer and Brian J. is teaching her how to use it.

Public Information / Cooperation w/ the Professional Community (PI/CPC) Chair – Linda P. – has nothing to report this month.

Public Information / Cooperation w/ the Professional Community (PI/CPC) Alt Chair – Open

Grapevine – Mitch S. – is not present due to the fact that he is enrolled in college. With his current class track he will be enrolled in night classes for the rest of the year. Mitch is asking for someone to take the position over at this time. Susan H. – inquired about the position but, did not take on the position.

District 16 Liaison to Central Office - Wayne T. – The building is still standing, the rent has been paid, book sales are good, and Virginia H. is always asking for new articles for the news letter. We also had some new volunteers sign-up this month. Please do not forget Central Office Fundraiser April 1st, 2012 10:00 A.M. St Vincent de Paul.

Al-Anon – Gail J. – hoped that everyone had the opportunity to attend the Ala-Teen Speakers Meeting. It was great. They were expecting 25 maybe 30 and it ended up standing room only. The Teens did great. I have placed more schedules on the counter and I have flyers for The Al-anon Chili Feed. It will be held on April 21st, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. at the St. Vincent de Paul. Hope to see you all there.

DCMC: – Kelley K.

Good evening Dist 16,

Thank you very much for allowing me the opportunity to attend PRAASA. It was an amazing experience. I was able to attend nonstop panels on everything from Safety In AA to How Does General Service Fulfill Our Primary Purpose? I was also able to attend DCM sharing sessions both evenings to see how things work in other districts. There is so much information available. If you are interested please go to the PRAASA website. You have to register with the website first because some of the information is sensitive and for AA members only.

So the big deal we have coming up is our Pre-Conference Sharing Session. We will be going over our assigned agenda items and discussing them. We are not voting on items or making any decisions just passing on our perspective to our delegate to take to New York. I believe that Tracy has put together a flier for us to approve in new business. Thank you once again for allowing me to serve!

LDCMA – Tanea B.

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

No Reports This Month

LDCMB – Shawn J.

Good Evening District 16,

Unfortunately, I was not able to attend as many meetings as I would have liked to have this month. I spent a lot of time in the hospital in Roseburg and in Portland. However, I reported last month about The Bridging the Gap Group at the Salvation Army Hope House that I had committed myself to be at each of the meetings for a couple of months. When I reported last month that this meeting had been in very, very bad shape, it was an understatement. Upon doing further research they had not had a business meeting in at least a year, they had no service positions setup or even being held, and on top of it all when they had the falling out the treasurer had taken all receipts and any an all money that was on hand. To this point, we have not been able to find out who the treasurer was or how to track him or her down. But, I am glad to report that we held our first business meeting on March 2, 2012. At that point, we took a group conscious, filled service positions, and appointed a new treasurer (who is keeping meticulous records at this point and shares them with me on his own accord), rent has been paid for the first time, we were able to purchase coins, and have also purchased their own coffee supplies. This is big because the Hope House has been providing all of this for the last six to eight months. But, we are in desperate need for AA members from the community to attend this meeting. At last weeks meeting, there were four AA members from the community and the average length of sobriety was 60 to 90 days for those attending from the Hope House. Just to inform the Community, the meeting time has changed 7:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. on Fridays. This month coming up, I am trying to get to the last few meetings that I have not been able to get to. If any of my GSR's are here I just want you to let you know that my phone is on 24 hours a day. I have not been able to have much conversation with anyone away from meetings but if you need me I am available. Not to forget, I am planning to attend my first assembly in May and I am looking forward to it. Thank you for letting me be of service.

Area B: (Medford) Group Reports

Susan H. – Rogue Valley Women in Recovery Luncheon – Our Luncheon is coming up in June and I am looking for raffle items. Please contact me about donating an item to be used as a raffled. Thank You.

LDCMC – Jeremy W.

I have not bee able to get out to much lately. But, I have been given a request from The Eagle Point Women's AA Meeting that meets on Thursday nights at 6:00 P.M. at the Eagle Point Senior Center. The request is to have someone come in and speak about service in Alcoholic Anonymous. Jeremy thought that since it was a woman's meeting that they might prefer a woman vs. Jeremy. Susan H. - said she is interested but will be gone for two weeks. Tanea B. - said that she is interested and will go to the meeting to make contact.

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

No Reports This Month.

Old Business: No Old Business.

New Business: Pre-Conference Sharing Session

Tanea B. – presented a flyer concerning a Pre-conference Sharing Session. She is asking for the approval of the flyer. There was discussion and District 16 approved the flyer. Tanea B. is going to send this information to the website so it will be posted there as well.

Close: 8:03 p.m. Kelly K. asked is there is any further business. There being no further business. Tanea B. motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by: Shawn J. **Passed Unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted: Craig A. Coggins
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