

DISTRICT 16 BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
Smullen Health Education Center - Room 104
February 19, 2014

Roll call by sign-in sheet:

Tracy M., DCMC; David D., LDCMB; Dewey H. LDCMC, Susan H., Secretary; Marsha L., Treasurer; Wayne T., Central Office Liaison; Kelly S. Grapevine Chair; Debbie C., Website Chair; Tony M., GSR; Tanea B. Telephones, Ann J., GSR; Terrence R., GSR; Lisa G., GSR, Bob S. GSR, Donna K. GSR, Paul P. GSR; Joe K, GSR; Donna K, GSR; Michael, Visitor; Alan, Visitor; Perry, GSR; Sabin P.; GSR; Judy A. GSR.

The Meeting was opened at 7:01 with The Serenity Prayer by Tracy M., DCMC.

Introduce New GSR's: Sabin, Joe K.

Reading of the 12 Traditions: Paul P.

Reading of the 2nd Concept: Susan

Secretary: Approval of minutes from last month: Wayne made the first, Lorry made the second. The minutes were accepted and passed.

Treasurer: The report was made by Marsha L, Treasurer.

Our beginning balance this month was \$6,580.85. Total contributions were: \$347.93.

Expenses totaled \$698.36 Ending balance is \$6,230.42. Considering our prudent reserve, our available balance is \$4,980.42. We spent more this month than we brought in.

Tanea moved the Treasurer's report be accepted. Wayne made the second. The Treasurer's report was accepted and passed. Marsha presented a comparison of last years and this year's finances. Report attached.

Committee Reports:

Access Committee (AC) – OPEN

Archives – Laurie H. – Not Present. No Report.

Cooperation with Correctional Facilities (CCF) – “We are moving right along with the meeting at the Juvenile Hall. We will use the Big Book as a part of our meeting and The Stories Of Juveniles, a book printed by AA. In the next few weeks, David asked that GSRs make some good judgments about members interested in helping out with this meeting. We need responsible members with good sense and strong programs to assist us in working with juveniles. There will be two meetings a week; Tuesday and Thursday. Meetings will start in March.

David is still interested in getting into the adult jail and is working on that happening. Questions were asked by District members. Marsha asked, “Is it coed?” David said it is 50/50 presently. Tanea asked, “Do the persons volunteering need to be available on both Tuesday and Thursday?” David said, no. But consistency is important. “How many people do you have cleared?” asked another member. David said he has 5 who have passed the background check. He needs 5 more. Terrence raised his had to say that he is interested in becoming a mentor at the Juvenile Hall Mtg.

Cooperation with Treatment Facilities (CTF) – Alec S. not present.

Telephones: Tanea B. Present but did not have a report. All is copasetic.

Schedules – Lorry H. Lorry has made new schedules which will be ready on Thursday February 20th. You can find them at Central Office and she will bring them next month. They are light blue.

Website – Debbie C. All doing well.

Secretary: Susan H. Nothing to report. Minutes are being sent to members before the 1st of every month so that GSRs can get out information to their home groups at business meetings.

Public Information / Cooperation w/ the Professional Community (PI/CPC) OPEN

A member reported that Providence Hospital would appreciate AA literature.

Public Information / Cooperation w/ the Professional Community (PI/CPC) Alt Chair – Lisa G. – OPEN

Grapevine – Kelly S. Hello District 16!

I am Kelly your District Grapevine Rep. The March Grapevine is all about AA and families. Last year they asked for stories about AA and families . They received many moving submissions (as you might guess). So many of us and our families are affected by Alcoholism. Next month's issue deals with how AA and alcoholism has touched AA members families. "So let each family play together or separately , as much as their circumstances warrant. We are sure God wants us to be happy, joyous and free." That is a quote from Bill W.

Just a reminder - Wall calendars and Pocket Planners are available on the Grapevine website-aagrapevine.org/store.

District 16 Liaison to the Central Office - Wayne T. Wayne reported that Central Office has a refurbished Computer which was donated. Central Office Breakfast is on April 6th. Donations for the raffle are being accepted at Central Office. Due to the past robbery at Central Office the board has moved on re=doing how they handle new people who volunteer. They ask that we discuss it with our home groups. How should they handle money and volunteers? They receive donations 24 hours a day and literature is always being sold. Cash and checks pass hands.

Al-Anon – Felicity L. – Not Present. No report.

DCMC: – Tracy M.

Tracy read her oral presentation which she prepared for the Area Assembly the following weekend.

"My name is tracy and I am an alcoholic. My sobriety date is February 10, 2010 and my home group is the Ashland (9 am) morning fellowship, which meets 6days a week. It has been a pleasure serving as District 16's DCM so far, even though I was quite daunted at first.

The first hurdle was transferring the email list to my email program. With patience and diligence I was able to figure that out. Susan, our secretary, and I have come up with a good system of sending out minutes to GSRS in time for them to take issues back to their groups before the next district meeting. Thank you, Susan, for typing up our minutes n such a timely manner.

In January I attended the area orientation in Eugene, where I learned a lot more about how Oregon Area 58 functions.

February has been a whirlwind of activity as we all here in District 16 ready ourselves for the Area Assembly to be held right her in Medford. The Assembly planning committee is made up of a terrific group of people who have all worked really tirelessly to put on a great Assembly. Plus, we've had lots of fun. For a fundraiser we had a Red Carpet Movie Premier

Night where we all dressed up and watched the new documentary about Bill W. I would like to take this time to acknowledge the Host Planning committee and to give them a Big THANK YOU.

On Valentine's Day, the Ashland morning fellowship put on a Valentine Speaker Meeting and pot luck, which had a great turnout!

I have been busy designing flyers for the Rogue Valley Women in Recovery brunch, which is a big deal here in the Rogue Valley. It will take place the 21st of June. Look for the flyer at the Assembly this weekend and on our District 16 website.

I am brushing up on the traditions, the concepts and Roberts Rules of Order. I really want to personally thank Kelly S. and Barbara D. and my alternate DCM, Carrie H. for encouraging me and for helping me with all my DCM questions. They are always gracious and helpful, even with questions that seem silly to me.

I will not be able to make it to PRASSA this time, but will be attending PNC in June of this year and PRASSA next year, according to our District guidelines.

Thank You everyone! TRACY M.

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LDCMA – Carrie H. Carrie was not present for this meeting.

LDCMB – David D. – The Saturday meeting at the ARC needs our support. The Sunday Night meeting, 7:00PM “Thank God I’m Sober” (TGIS) has 10 people or below each week and could use your support. This message has repeated for the last 3 months, so he is serious about the need. This week David added that Virginia will also advertise this information in the newsletter.

Activities in Medford Area

- **Monday Nite “there is a Solution” will hold a pot luck to celebrate 12 years. There will be pot luck at 5:00, followed by a speaker meeting at 6:30.**

LDCMC – Dewey H. Attended a meeting at the Senior Center in Shady Cove. They are still suffering from having the center froze during the cold months. It is just now coming back.

Old Business: There are still three positions available. **Access, Public Information Chair** and **P/I Alternate chair.**

Old business Discussion: Last month Tanea brought up an idea from Pacific Positive Action Group. They ask that you discuss the following with your groups. The idea is for District 16 to throw a “TOTALLY FREE” summer event for all AA folks. Free food, entry, etc. The following are ideas.

- Toss around the idea of a summer talent show for the Rogue Valley.
- Toss around the idea of a summer dance under the stars...

New Business: None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Hansen

