

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

Items to report to you home groups are highlighted in Yellow!

Roll call by sign-in sheet: Tracy, Wayne T., Tony M., Michael M., Staci P., Kellie L., Judy A., Paul P., Laurie H., Lorry H, Kelly S., Debbie C., Sabin P.

The Meeting was opened at 7:00 PM with The Serenity Prayer.

The Traditions were read by Tony
The 7th concept was read by Sabin

There were no new GSRs to the meeting:

Secretary Report: It was moved that the minutes be read and accepted by Mike. Larry made the second.

Treasurer: Marsha reported and ending balance of \$7,111.96. With our prudent reserve, the available balance is \$ 5,861.96. The treasurer's report was read and approved. Wayne made the 1st, and Staci made the 2nd.

Committee Reports:

Access Committee (AC) – OPEN

Archives – Laurie H. –Laurie reported that she has completed her filing and has a committee.

Cooperation with Correctional Facilities: (CCF) ABSENT. Staci reported her end of the correctional facility women's meetings are doing fine.

Cooperation with Treatment Facilities (CTF): ABSENT

Telephones – 28 calls

Schedules– Lorry H. Lorry reported she will be printing soon. The schedule "time of year" issue was corrected. We will have Summer/Fall for next printing.

Website – Debbie C. –Reported that because of Drew at Central Office and Lorry with the District the website is always up to date. They are a good team.

Debbie's term as WEBMASTER will end this year. Keep your ears and eyes out for someone who is competent and familiar with website care. Our website is praised by many. We want to keep it that way.

Public Information / Cooperation w/ the Professional Community (PI/CPC) Chair – Tanea B. – OPEN

Public Information / Cooperation w/ the Professional Community (PI/CPC) Alt Chair
This position needs to be filled as well.

Grapevine – Kelly S. Good evening District 16! This will be short and sweet just like you like it! The July issue of the Grapevine is the Annual Prison Issue featuring stories from inside as well as outside the prison walls. La Vina also has their Annual Prison Issue for July/August. There are also

Grapevine Exclusive stories for those who have an online subscription. This months is called Pearl an the Pigeon. YILAS Kelly S.

District 16 Liaison to the Central Office - Wayne T. “We are financially fine.” Says Wayne T. On the 31st of May Central Office moved two doors down to 116 E. 6th St. Look for sign on street.

Al-Anon – Felicity L. Absent

DCMC: Tracy M
Hello District 16!

First, I'd like to welcome Gus Palmitessa, our Area 58 Delegate. Gus is here to give us his Post Conference presentation!

On the weekend of June 20th, I went to Spokane for PNC, the Pacific Northwest Conference. What a weekend! This conference dates back to 1948, when Bill Wilson came to Seattle for the first one. It's different from an Area Assembly in that people come from all over the Pacific region, not just Oregon.

My favorite part of the conference was listening to the speakers. The Saturday lunch speaker was District 16's own Barbara D., who also happens to be the Area 58 Chair. She had a moving and inspiring story. Yay, Barbara!

There were many different panels and topics on both service and recovery. One of these was “Communicating the Message in a Changing World,” which discussed the popularity of online and web meetings. One past delegate said that online meetings are a good supplement to face to face meetings, but not to be meant as a substitute. In the end, it all boils down to one alcoholic talking to another.

During the Ask It Basket, one question was, “What was your favorite part of the General Service Conference?” All of the delegates, except Gus (who is the current delegate for Oregon Area 58), were moved to tears while sharing about this topic. They described an immense feeling of both humility and honor. One described it by saying “Gratitude washes over you like a wave.”

The delegates were also asked about their most memorable PNC and many, again, were moved to tears talking about the warmth and camaraderie that happens. One described it by saying “You reconnect with old friends and make many new friends. Gratitude washes over you like a wave.” That's exactly what I came away with.

Don't forget about the 2015 International Convention, July 2-5, Atlanta, with the theme “80 Years–Happy, Joyous and Free”

Yours in love and service,
Tracy M.

LDCMA –Carrie Absent:

There is an Alateen meeting in Ashland on Monday nights at the corner of Siskiyou and Morton from 7:00-8:00 PM, at the same time of an AA meeting also in the building.

LDCMB – David D. –ABSENT

Aug 28th - Sept 1st 2014

19th Annual AA in the Woods Labor Day Camp Out. Location: **Fishermen's Bend Campground - Mill City, OR 97527**

LDCMC – Dewey H. – not present. No group reports.

Old Business: Tracy will make a personal commitment to fill the open positions.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 in order that Gus P. our Area Delegate could make a presentation to us about the last Assembly in New York.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Hansen
District #16 Secretary