

DISTRICT 16 BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
Smullen Health Education Center - Room 104
February 18, 2015

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

The District Meeting was called to order by Tracy M. DCM, at 7:00 PM with the Serenity Prayer.

Roll call: Tracy M. Susan H., Kelly S., Lorry H., Tanea B., Jack I. Judy A, Bob S., Jo B., Wayne T, Paul P., Sabin, Cathy M., Laurie H., John F. Joe K., Mike C, Kelli L. Lon B., Gary M., Jody P., Brian P. Ann J., Becky B., Erin B., Deborah F.

The Traditions were read by Cathy M.

The 2nd Concept was read by Laurie H.

New GSRs to the District: **Welcome to Erin from “Her Story” meeting in Medford.**

Secretary Report: Jack moved that the minutes be accepted. Bob made the second. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer: Jo Brown presented the treasurer’s report: The beginning balance this month was \$6,603.12. Monthly donations total \$1,568.72. District expenses this month were \$2,275.05. After the prudent reserve the available balance is \$4,646.79. Susan H. moved that the Treasurer’s report be accepted. Cathy M. made the second. The treasurer’s report was accepted as is.

Announcements from Tracy, DCM.

- Please remember to sign in.
- We still have positions available to all members who wish to do general service. Continue to make that announcement to your home groups. The positions available are: Local DCM-A, Access Chair for special needs, CPC/ PI chair(cooperation with the professional community). Those interested should contact Tracy M. DCM for District 16.
- Please make sure your name and email are on the list so that you can receive all information from the District, including minutes.
- Discussion about the International Conference in Atlanta, which will be in August.
- Lake Oswego will be the destination for the next Assembly over the weekend of February 28th.
- Please make sure you are making announcements to your groups about all the events coming up this spring; Central Office Breakfast, Rogue Round up, and events among the groups .Check the website if you are not sure of dates and times.

Committee Reports:

Access Committee (AC) – OPEN

Archives – Laurie H. reported that she has developed a system for preserving and keeping all archives from the District. She will be needing display boards for presenting the items. She needs approval for that from the District. The members voted to give Laurie money for display boards. They also suggested The Dollar Store, as someone had seen them there.

Cooperation with Correctional Facilities: David C. David not present. He has been ill for quite some time. Tracy will check on him to see how he is doing.

Cooperation with Treatment Facilities (CTF): John F. “I have been in contact with ARC. Things are going smoothly. I am working with Sage Bosch who coordinates our Bridging the Gap presentation and times. Forwarded contact information for two individuals who will be leaving the facility for Medford locations. I have also been in contact with the VA to aid in the attendance for Bridging the Gap presentations held the first

Thursday of each month in Building 220 Room 155A at 6:00 PM. Our meeting will be included in the monthly roster of events. I am in negotiation now which will allow us to sign the required attendance slips as the other AA meetings on site do, which could increase attendance.”

Telephones: Tanea B. Your phones are up and running providing service to the alcoholic. We have had a couple of people added to the afterhours 12 step call out list and I have fielded a couple of questions about 12 step calls during business hours. **If you are interested in being on the list for 12 step work during business hours please sign up on the list that is maintained by the Central Office. If you are interested in doing 12 step work after hours and on weekend please let me know.** Thank you for letting me be of service!

Schedules: Lorry H. Lorry printed new schedules for spring. They are canary yellow.

Website: Jack I. I've made changes to the Meetings page to reflect changes in the schedule, and updated the Events page as I come across things at the meetings I attend. Please ask people who wish to publicize their events to send them to the email address on the Events page.

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Grapevine – Kelly S. Good evening District 16. I'm Kelly, your District 16 Grapevine Rep. AA subscription challenge! The Grapevine is hosting a state, province and territory -wide challenge to increase Grapevine and La Vina new subscriptions. How it works- any new subscription paid for between January 26 and December 20, 2015 will be entered into the challenge . The state, province, territory with the most new subscription increases will win a special section featuring their stories in a 2016 GV or LV. You can go on the GV website to check how Oregon is stacking up. Currently 1130 GV and 111 LV. The Language of the Heart (GV's signature book) will soon be available as an audio book. I talked about it last month but February's issue contains a special section on sponsorship . There is even a story titled "What's a DCM ?" that talks about Service Sponsors. La vina's special section features stories on "old timers in AA" and "fourth step" stories. Thank you once again .

District 16 Liaison to the Central Office: Wayne T. Not much to report.....things are running rather smoothly. Financial Report available on request.....see Wayne T. Website traffic had 297 hits last month.The Office itself had 137 calls / visitors. The outdated 12-step call list (for Central Office Hours) is being updated. **Please take a flier and/or visit: JCCOAA.ORG. Question from a MAL: Why isn't the Alano Club open more often for purchasing coins?" Medford Fellowship Liaison replied that the Club is going through some growing pains and is currently addressing this issue. Coins can always be purchased from Fran V. @ 776-5374. Central Office Breakfast Fundraiser is at St. Vincent de Paul on April 12, 2015 (see flier).**The coffee is hot and.....we'll keep a light on for ya.

Al-Anon – There should be a new rep for Al-Anon coming to District Meetings soon.

DCMC: Tracy M.

Hello District 16!

Not a lot to report this month. I went to an ARC Alumni meeting. They are putting together a group for fellowship, fun and fundraising. If you are an ARC alumni and interested in helping, please contact Jodie.

On February 10, I celebrated 5 years clean & sober!

This month I found it necessary to organize all the hard copies of my DCM files, so I bought a good file box and files, so that the next DCM coming in won't inherit a mess.

At the end of this month, the last weekend in February, will be the Pre-Conference Assembly, where we get to break into groups and discuss some of the Agenda Items—topics that will be covered at the General Service Conference in New York in April.

I encourage all GSRs to get together with other GSRs and come to the assembly. This February it will be at Marylhurst Campus in Lake Oswego. We have some scholarship money available for those whose groups cannot afford to send them, see me and Jo after the meeting next month to fill out the form. I have some assembly flyers on the table. You can also register online at the Area 58 website, www.aa-oregon.org. You should probably book your hotel ASAP.

The following weekend I will be off to PRAASA (Pacific Regional Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly) in March, in Salt Lake City.

It's always a pleasure to experience and be part of this wonderful organization that gave me back my life.

Yours in love and service,

Tracy M.

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LDCM-A –Bob S. reports that Ashland has 2 meeting changes:

1. **Monday women's meeting at 5:30 is closed.**
2. **Wednesday "Women's Big Book Study: start time has changed from 7:00 PM to 6:00 Pm.**

"As I start my rounds of area meetings, I am also trying to record when each group has their business meeting so that I can attend next month. So far I have visited the Sunday morning group. It was well attended and quite lively. Their business meeting is the first Sunday of the month.

I also visited the Crack of Dawn group in Ashland. This meeting was well attended; however the business meeting following was quite small. Business meeting is the first Saturday of the month.

Ashland Morning Fellowship is doing well. The group worked hard on the Valentines Pot luck and speaker meeting that they had on the 13th of February. The hall was packed with a couple hundred people. We did a "fifty-fifty" raffle. A lucky member went home with \$110.00. YLAS."

LDCM-B-David D. Not present

LDCM-C; Cathy M. No meetings attended this month.

Jack I. suggested all LDCM's visit all meetings listed on the website and in the schedule to make sure the meetings are still operating.

Things going on within the District:

1. Monday night "There is a Solution" will hold a Pot Luck on Monday March 30th at 5:00 PM to 6:30. A speaker meeting will follow the pot luck. Please no shellfish or pork in food.
2. Wednesday Talent meeting at 7:00 PM will hold their very first post luck/speaker meeting on April Fools Day, April 1. See Flyer on website.
3. Central Office Breakfast- April 12th at St. Vincent De Paul.
4. Rouge Round-Up in Grants Pass May 1-3. Get your tickets now! Clancy, friend to Otto W. and Bill W. will be speaking for the dinner. He is 90! What a treat!
5. The District is planning an "EVENT" for April 26th. More to come.

OLD Business: John F. and Tanea B. updated the body on the "THE EVENT" they want to have which will be sponsored by the district. John F. went above and beyond to iron down many of the details. Here is what they have so far:

The two of them could use volunteers for help in planning and working the event. Please see John F. or Tanea B. if you are interested. We need decorations, music, set up crew, and cleanup crew, as well as organization and planning. A flyer will be coming out very soon.

The meeting adjourned at 8:07. We closed with "I am Responsible"

Susan Hansen

District #16 Secretary

Written: February 26th 2015