

## District 33 Business Meeting Minutes, April 9, 2017

Attendees: Tom A, Will F, Lauren C, Charles T, Tim, Jeff P, Rick H, Anne A, George D, Doug B, Stanley H, Pam C, David F, Diane, Theresa, Scott P, Bruce M, Jessie Y, Caroline L, Chip A., Merritt S

### Committee Reports:

The April meeting minutes are accepted as distributed.

#### **DCM - Tom Anderson**

Tom attended the area committee meeting and assembly. Tom met with the redistricting subcommittee and had two meetings with other members. He went to the Mebane group and had two conversations with George, Raleigh Intergroup helpline chair. We have 41 groups in the district and only five representatives of District 33 showed up.

#### **Alt. DCM - Lauren Cioe**

Lauren missed the last district meeting, but wanted to say that the preconference was a huge success. She says that a lot of people from other districts expressed their appreciation. Lauren also attended the assembly and redistricting committee meeting. She notes that this committee is encountering a lot of problems, but are working hard to resolve them. Lauren got to teach two workshops on how to be an effective GSR. It was a great experience. Lauren brought financial highlights from GSO indicating that this was a record year; we donated \$7.9 million. However, the cost of services provided to AA members was over \$9 million. Sales of literature are up. Groups that do not have a GSR or a primary contact with the area registrar become classified as inactive. This did happen to a group in our district. Please keep your contact information up-to-date with Lauren. You can also give info to the area registrar in person at area events.

#### **Telephone Answering Service—Anne A**

We have given George a list of participants, but we are not sure if he has gotten it. However, Primary Purpose did participate one day. Tom has gotten a couple of calls from George seeking people who are willing to participate in 12<sup>th</sup>-step calls. George has asked again for a list of volunteers. Anne says there is a list on the District 33 website. Tom will tell George to use the list of names we have already sent him. Jessie says that, when her group ran the answering service, there were a couple of people seeking 12-step calls. Everything worked as it had been described.

#### **CPCPI Coordinator -**

This position is still open, but Jeff P is willing to step into the role. He is confirmed as District 33 CPCPI chair. He ordered the manuals and a lot of pamphlets on CPCPI. He would like to get some idea of what has been done in the recent past. Pam has an observation; our CPCPI chair ordered \$500 worth of books and printed new quadfolds earlier this season. Ed should have workbooks, pamphlets, etc. We should track down this information.

#### **Corrections - Rick Holopainen**

For corrections donations, please consult the correction chair's report, distributed with these minutes. Chatham County put us on another six-month hold. They seem to have continuously kicked the ball down the road. Rick will check in with them one more time before his term ends. Angel and Rick did get their CFR cards, which mean they can go to any facility in the state. He wants to go to Caswell and Dan River.

#### **Grapevine - George D**

George went to Eno and Burlington and sent someone to Chapel Hill. He's getting ready to buy a bunch of books.

**Website** - Jim Horne  
Not present

**Treatment** - Stanley Hurlston

Stanley has had no requests from any groups over the last few weeks. He is getting ready to make a literature order. He went to two meetings and reviewed their materials. Stanley has been working on service projects for several meetings, as well. He made contact with our area treatment coordinator to see if they need any help. As soon as he gets pamphlets, he hands them out. Stanley continually recruits people to attend institutional meetings.

**Treasurer's Report** - Pam Clarke

We only collected \$100 in May. For the year, we have collected 26.3 percent of our projected contributions and spent 50.9 percent of expenses, so we using our prudent reserve. The Century Link phone bill went up again. We are over \$1,200 into our prudent reserve. Note that some of the money in our bank account should be sent on to the next district who hosts the preconference. When you have group conscious meetings, mention our budget. Pam notes the phone bills are all auto drafts. She will look into cancelling them. Chapel Hill-Carrboro group is currently paying for repairs on their building, so they will not be contributing.

**Old Business**

Should we just commit now fully to the Raleigh helpline. Anne says we've been through our "adjustment" period. She makes a motion that we commit fully and cease paying for the Southern Voices service. Pam notes that, if we cancel the old service now, our phone number in the phonebook will no longer work. Anne wants to know if we can change the phone listing over to the Raleigh helpline. We don't know when or how to get that changed. It is suggested that when we disconnect the number, we should call. When we first started this service, we agreed to disconnect the old service this month. Pam notes that we're already saving around \$100 per month. We are still spending around \$160 per month for phone listings. Doug mentions that, the reason we have all those numbers is because there used to be a lot of other local answering services. It is also pointed out that most people use the internet. We vote unanimously to drop the old number and listings. Tom notes that we had committed to help the Raleigh helpline financially. We have to ensure that the website is updated and there are no old numbers listed.

**New Business**

Angel would like to create a workshop on how to get involved with corrections.

It is suggested District 33 pick up more of the leadership slack and work to inform the groups about more of the important work that AA does. Homer told Tom our job is to inform and inspire.

Our next business meeting will be July 9.

Diane presents Concept V; Rick presents Concept VI.  
Jessie will present Concept VII next month.

## **Announcements**

- The Wild Bunch will be hosting a talk on the history of AA by Newton P. on Wednesday, June 21. Fellowship starts at 6:30 pm and dinner will be at 7:15 pm with the presentation at 8:00 pm.

The meeting was closed with the AA Responsibility Statement.

### **Contributions:**

#### **District Contributions**

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Chapel Hill, NC 27515

Note: If you provide your email address, a confirmation will be sent to you.

#### **Area 51 Contributions**

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