

Willamette Valley Intergroup Minutes

July 19, 2016

Intergroup Officers and Committee Chairs in attendance: Robert J. Chair; Carter T. Treasurer; Laura F. Central Office Manager; Jerry L. Member at Large, Jane A. Vice-chair; Eric District Liaison; Christie S. EyeOpener Editor; Dotty L Member-At-Large; Al-Anon Liaison

Advisory Board met before Intergroup.

Group Reps

10th Hour Candlelight	Robert J.
New Frontier	Jane A.
North Santiam Group	Bert D.
Capitol Discussion	Patty P.
Pioneer Group	Katherine P.
We Are Not Saints	Dee P.
Women of Principles	Shirley C.
Three Legacies	Victoria D.
Into Action group	Susan K.

Opening: The meeting began with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer. Eric read the Twelve Traditions.

The minutes from the last meeting were motioned and approved.

Treasurer (Carter T.): Contributions are still down, monies received from Soberfest, (thank you group for your hard work). Large expense this month for quarterly payroll taxes.

Group Contributions for the month= \$3,907.06	YTD=\$10,336.29
Individual Contributions = \$95.00	YTD=\$447.49
Total Income for the month=\$4,737.71	YTD=\$18,200.82
Total Expense for the month=\$2,503.37	YTD=\$18,924.72
Net Income for the month= -\$2,234.34	YTD= -\$723.90

Chair(Robert J.): Robert reported he would like a different design on the website. Currently you need to scroll down to find the different events some of which are already passed. He would like to see a link to go to that has all the events listed. He will be discussing this possibility with Rick. Only open position is co-webmaster.

District 4 Liaison Report (Eric B.): See attached report

Vacant District 4 Positions:

Activities Chair: Coordinates and spearheads the planning of District 4 outreach workshops and events.- 1 year of sobriety recommended. 1 year commitment.

SNAC: (Special Needs/Access) Cooperate with groups to make meetings accessible to those with special needs and to make meetings with those resources known to intergroup – 2 years sobriety recommended, 2 year commitment.

New Business: **November 2017 Assembly Committee Update**

Contract with the Red Lion hotel is signed. Committee meeting will be Tuesday July 13th, 6:15pm, 4665 Campbell Drive SE, Salem, District 38 Cooperation is being pursued.

Oregon Area Redmond Assembly – September 16th – 18th

A Big Book and/or 12x12 drive for inmates in Oregon Area is going on. Hard or soft cover books are required. **THEY MUST NOT CONTAIN ANY WRITING OF ANY KIND (barring the cost of book on the inside cover).** These can be brought to the District meeting in September to be taken to the Oregon Area Assembly.

Central Office (Laura F.): Laura reported the following for central office:

Central office contacts for the month = 195

YTD Contacts = 1,313

Big book sales for the month = 29

YTD Big book sales = 172

Thank you for the office supply donations. Without the donations, the office would not be able to continue to run. All shifts are currently filled.

The copy machine is “ghosting” and will need repairing. Much research is being done in hopes of doing it ourselves through u-tube and manufacturer’s instructions. It cost 4100 for a repairman to walk through the door. She is expecting a minimum of \$200-300. The copy machine is over 7 years old and has given us over 313,000 copies.

We have payroll taxes and liability insurance due this month.

Hospitals and Institutions (Robert J.): Robert turned in a **very** detailed report of how everything is going. Anyone wanting more information or to ask about volunteering, please contact Robert J. In a nutshell, they still need volunteers. There was a large turnout at the Marion County jail orientation for volunteers. Polk county women’s meeting is going well with 7 gals doing an awesome job. We now have 9 gals doing the Marion county jail. We desperately need more men to show up and carry the message.

Robert agreed to send out updated flyer with all the H&I contacts and opportunities for growth.

Events (Mari Anne G.): Jane reported she is on her honeymoon. We will be having an event in September. Annual bbq and bon fire meeting.

Webmaster (Rick R.): No Report.

Soberfest (Susan K.): We have not had a meeting since June's report. The first fundraiser will be a Car Wash and Veggie/Fruit stand set for August 7 at the SOS club from 10-2pm. Come out and support your Central Office by participating.

Susan and Mike have met with Chemeketa caterer to set date, rental and food costs.

Outreach Coordinator (Julie M.): 2 outside meetings were attended this month by our friend Tessy.

7:30 pm Dallas Speaker's Meeting St. Philip's Catholic Church, 825 SW Mill St.
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7:00 pm Newcomer's Meeting, Trinity Lutheran Church, 320 SE Fir Villa

Al-Anon Liaison (Dianne L.)Dee, our new DR has officially started with a great agenda to catch up. Many members were unavailable do to summer events. We did not have a report on the outcome of Soberfest.

It was decided to have a yearly fun event as a district. The "winter doldrums" will be early 2017. Committee heads are needed at this time.

Public outreach set up a table at Independence Fun Run. And the Spanish event in Woodburn the 1st weekend of August is being looked into.

We just had our July state assembly with great challenges presented for service and writing workshops. World Service office had a great presentation of being financially self-supporting and the goals for Al-Anon, including 2 new books. Alateen has 2 conventions OAC and NOCal in which they are raising money by selling cookies at TTCO (Take the Cotton Out) event. They have 3 meetings in Salem at this time.

EyeOpener (Christie S.): She has moved recently and her internet has not been hooked up yet. She is hoping to get July's EyeOpener out this weekend.

Meeting Schedule Coordinator (Mark): not present. Laura reported that all updates have been done and updated meeting schedule has been done.

OSYYPAA/SAYPAA (Aaron): not present

Phone Line (Ben): Not present. All shifts are filled. Laura reminded everyone that Ben has been doing this job for over 7 years and carries the service himself quite often. A quick email or text giving him a big "thank you" would be awesome!

OLD BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS: none

GROUP REPORTS

New Frontier (Jane A): Meets Thursday evening at 5:30 pm at First Congregational Church. Good solid recovery – many with over 20 years of sobriety and a mix of those under 2 years. We continue using the “spiritual principals” of Alcoholics Anonymous as the topics of our meetings with approved AA literature for it’s references. Will be having their annual BBQ in August.

Serenity in Sixty (Tonya S.): absent

Rebellion Dogs (Erik S.): absent

Women of Principle (Shirley C.): We are a one hour open women’s meeting. Meet at St. Paul’s, Room 205, on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5:30 pm. Things are going well. We are planning our first potluck on July 26th 5:30 – at Bush Park. Coe join in the fun! We have air conditioning.

We Are Not Saints (Dee P.): Staying steady with an occasional newcomer. Looking at possible move to another location closer to center of town.

Step of the Month (Dorothy K.): not present

10th Hour Candlelight (Robert J.): no report

Capital Discussion (Patty P.): Group doing well, attendance is strong, even with summer time. On July 14, we passed the basket twice, once for regular contributions, once for the 7/14 donation. \$7.14 per person donation to World Services. We voted to add up # of group members, add up \$7.14 of that # and contribute that amount to WSO/New York.

Keizer Step Study (Jerry L.): The group is still welcoming new members. We would like to grow – there is coffee and good discussions.

Way Home Group (Rick R.): not present

OSYPAA (Jared C.): not present

Al-anon(Dianne L.): We have had a change in leadership this last meeting, Helen who you knew, has stepped down for health reasons. Still active but taking a step back. Public Outreach was at a event in Independence, and another event in Woodburn in August is being looked into.

Winter Doldrums Event is being planned for early 2017. Alateen has changed a meeting time...new meeting lists will come next meeting.

North Santiam Group (Bert D.) Our group meets Monday, Tuesday and Thurs. Tuesday is Big Book and 12x12 study, the other nights are topic discussion. We have a monthly group conscience meeting plus a speaker meeting the last Thursday of each month. There will be a potluck at Pioneer Park in Stayton at 2pm.

Pioneer Group (Katherine P.) Lost a couple home group members but still going strong. There were a couple questions on discrepancies with the treasurer's report. But looking at the current one, it has been fixed. We have cookies!

Three Legacies (Victoria) BBQ set for August 19 at Bush Park. A very well attended meeting. We are wondering why GSO is in the hole?

Into Action (Susan K.) Had conversation what an "open" AA meeting is. We may need to add something to our "Open meeting format" to clarify.

The Intergroup Meeting adjourned and closed with the Serenity Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Tonya S.