

Willamette Valley Intergroup Meeting

March 20, 2017

Intergroup Officers and Committee Chair in attendance: Tonya, Chair; Jerry L, Co- Chair; Jane A, Treasurer; Laura F, Central Office; Cathy C, Secretary & 2nd Chance Meeting; Chris E, Member at Large, Saturday Nite Live Independence; Erik S, Member at Large, Rebellion Dogs, VACANT-Member at Large

Intergroup Meeting

7:00 p.m.

Group Reps

2 nd Chance	Cathy C
7:00 AM Downtown	Celeste
AA Action Group	Susan K
Capitol Discussion	Patty P.
<i>Children of Chaos</i>	<i>Jared C-not present</i>
<i>Conscious Contact</i>	<i>Kaitlin M-not present</i>
<i>Daily Reprieve</i>	<i>Vicky H.-not present</i>
Good to be Here	Kathleen P.
Morning Coffee	Jerry L
New Frontier	Jane A
North Santiam Group	Bert D
Rebellion Dogs	Erik S
Saturday Night Live	Chris E
Step of the Month	Dorothy K
Unity Group	Carter T.
Way Home Group	Rick R
<i>The Way Out Group</i>	<i>Kyle S.-not present</i>
<i>True Colors</i>	<i>Holly L-not present</i>
<i>Three Legacies</i>	<i>Victoria-not present</i>
We are Not Saints	Dee P.
<i>Women of Principles</i>	<i>Anna P-not present</i>
Pioneer Group	Sheila R.
<i>Al-Anon Liaison</i>	<i>Dianne L.-not present</i>

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

Minutes from the February 20, 2017- Error in year. Originally said 2016, it has been changed to reflect the year of 2017. Minutes were motioned and approved.

Treasurer's Report – Jane provided handout. We did not take in much money. From February 16 through March 15-our net income is **-524.00**.

Al-Anon/Ala-teen Report – not present.

Webmaster –Again, Gabe has not shown up. Rick will continue as webmaster.

Meeting Schedule Coordinator-Mark S-He accidentally used the wrong template on the schedules for meetings. All should be “right” now. When Mark took on this service position, he stated he would not be attending meetings on a regular basis. He provided the group with his contact phone number if we needed to reach him. It is now on the Master list.

Hospitals & Institutions – Chris H – Going strong! Need larger rooms to accommodate larger groups.

District Liaison – Erik B (absent)-Tonya shared report- **OPEN positions: Secretary:** Keeps complete and accurate records of the District 4 meetings. It is preferred to have 1 year minimum of continuous sobriety. The term of office is 2 years. **Treasurer:** Has charge of all funds belonging to District 4 and keeps complete and accurate records of District financial matters. It is preferred to have 1 year minimum of continuous sobriety. The term of office is 2 years.; November 2017 Assembly Committee Update:

The Assembly Committee Co-Chair, Rose, went to District 28's business meeting. The Area 58 interpreter joined her there to provide the needed Spanish translation. Rose also went to Mill Creek Prison Facility to discuss options for the members there to create and donate for the assembly auction/raffle. Al-Anon continues to want to be a part of the assembly; however they may need to do their sessions. The Assembly Committee meets the 3rd Thursday of the month at the Saddle Club Apartments, 4665 Campbell Dr. SE Salem, OR 97301 at 6:15pm.

Activities Chair: This Position remains open.

Accessibilities Chair: This Position remains open.

Grapevine Chair: This Position became open this month.

Office Manager – Laura shared that all volunteer shifts are filled at Central Office. There were 152 contacts made in February, 319 for 2017. Big Books sold YTD 33. Would still appreciate colored paper and snacks as donations to central office.

Events Committee – Mari Ann is relinquishing her position as Events Committee Chair after 6 years! Need to fill this position. Java Jive is May 13th and again we have many talented folks who will be performing! Flyers are out. Volunteers always welcome! Valentine Bingo with Soberfest raised \$354.00 for Soberfest!

Soberfest – Susan- One month away, everyone is encouraged to register so they have a good head count. Raffle baskets and scholarships needed and welcomed, along with “Marathon Meeting Chair”.

OLD BUSINESS: Nothing has been done with the EyeOpener email list yet.

NEW BUSINESS: Suggestion about fundraising at speakers meetings....selling our Big Books via Outreach Coordinator. (TTCO) What does Central Office need monthly to stay open? It all is in our monthly budget.

Dorothy (Step of the Month) asked about possibility of NOT having a Central Office? Payroll is the highest amount needed for monthly expenditures. Is there another way to reach out to people needing AA, without a Central Office? It was suggested that it be researched.....what do other cities, towns, states do? Dorothy is willing to look into this. No one wants to close the central office. There is concern that financially, it is becoming more difficult to meet the needs of keeping the office open. For all of the AA meetings in Salem & surrounding area's, many groups do NOT contribute to Central Office. Would be REALLY nice if more groups contributed to Central Office to help keep it open and meet budget.

GROUP REPORTS

New Frontier – Jane A. Meets Thursday night 5:30 – 6:30 pm at first Congregational Church at 700 Marion St. Group is holding its own. They focus on spiritual principles of the Program.

Morning Coffee – Jerry L. Saturday 8 am. It is growing, we welcome new people. Good coffee.

Keizer Monday Night Step Study – Jerry. Monday, 7:30 pm. 12-Step Group, everyone is welcome.

Women of Principal – Anna P. -ABSENT

Rebellion Dogs – Erik. Sundays 6 pm. Aumsville Community Center, next to City Hall. Topic meeting with Bingo sharing system, good core group with varying stages of sobriety. Attendance is good. 40-50 people.

Pioneer Group – Sheila R. Wednesday's at 7:15. Moving right along.....Attendance GOOD- strong recovery.

Children of Chaos – absent

Capitol Discussion-Patty P- Group is stable & doing fine!

North Santiam Group – Bert D- Meets Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 7 pm. Monday is open discussion. Tuesday is Book Study for 1.5 hours. Thursday is a topic discussion. We as a group recently met with the church pastor and President and we had a rent increase. Our attendance has been ok for this time of year. We have recently elected a new GSR and Bert was reelected again as Intergroup Rep.

Way Home Group – Rick R. Business as usual. 5 nights per week. Varied attendance. Many "referrals". Our new member welcome packets are being well received.

Good to be Here Women's meeting – Kathleen P- Many newcomers attending our group but not as many homegroup members coming as in past months.

We are not Saints-Dee P.-Same old stuff. Well attended (40-60) meeting. Ghost town during Group Conscious meeting.

Step of the Month – Dorothy K. Saturday, Woodland Chapel 8-9am. Group approved 2017 Budget. Brought up the question about relevance of a Central Office in this age of technology. Group had several questions, which are noted in the NEW BUSINESS below.

Serenity in Sixty – Tonya S. Wednesday's 6-7pm. Group is doing well. Our first of the month speaker meeting has been very well attended. Our annual women's retreat is coming up in April. Good women's meeting.

Second Chance Meeting – Cathy C. Sundays, Salem Heights Hall @ 8:30am. All is well.

*****FOLLOWUP:** Vote on 2017 Budget. Close up discussion on Webmaster.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy C.

*****Task to be completed at April meeting.**