

# Willamette Valley Intergroup Meeting

January 16, 2017

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

<b>WVI Advisory Board Minutes 6 p.m.</b>
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Meeting opened with Serenity Prayer.

**Treasurer – Jane A.** – Jane is concerned the Soberfest 2016 financials will not get done.

**Central Office** - Laura sent Cathy the 2017 budget report. (see attached) Review the report closely, as we will be voting on the budget in February. Laura gave out a Central Office Report for 2016. There will be an increase on the financials under “Licenses & Permits”. Also, for Intergroup meetings there will NOT be a room rent increase. Bylaw changes needed to update duties.

There was a discussion brought up about the possibility of using the EyeOpener email list to send out “Announcements”, instead of the EyeOpener. That position is vacant, but thought perhaps we could use the email list for Announcements instead. That will require finding out if folks on the list want to remain on the list.

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**7:00 p.m.**

**Group Reps**

2 <sup>nd</sup> Chance	Cathy C
AA Action Group	Susan K
Buell Big Book Study	Dot L.
Children of Chaos	Jared C
Conscious Contact	Kaitlin M
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
Way Home Group	Rick R
Women of Principles	Anna P

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

**Minutes from the December 19, 2016** meeting were motioned and approved.

**Treasurer's Report** – Jane provided year end reports up until January 11, 2017. Handouts/copies were provided. Motion to approve was made and was accepted.

Since there is no Eyeopener editor, it was suggested we use the email addresses to send out announcements. We need to allow them to opt out. Tonya will contact Shirley or Erin for the list.

**AI-Alnon Report** – Dianne – (Absent) No report

**Webmaster** –Rick has the Soberfest registration available, however, does not have Soberfest PayPal account set up yet. He will send the link to Susan K. Rick shared that Gabe (?) would like to take over Webmaster. Gabe will need to attend 2 WVI meetings consecutively to be eligible to do so. He has not done this.

**Hospitals & Institutions** – Chris H – (Absent) - No report

**District Liaison** – Erik B – absent. Tonya read Erik's report at meeting. District 4 has 2 vacancies open.

Secretary: They are in need of a secretary due to the fact that the current Secretary announced that he was stepping down, effective immediately.

Treasurer position is open. There were some questions about the duties of the position. People said they would let their groups know about the opening.

District 4 conversations: During the Service Conversations Survey discussion one GSR offered that when he brought the topic up at his Home Group, their response was that none of them knew that the event existed and suggested that a good next step for us would be to do a better job of getting the word out about it.

Assembly Committee Update: The Planning Committee is also in need of a Treasurer. Also the Assembly Committee would like to hold an auction as a fund raiser and is putting out the call for auction items. Please let your group know!

**Office Manager** – Laura shared end of year information and provided a handout that shows what the groups have donated in 2016 and some of the achievements from Central Office.

298 Big Books sold in 2016.

2,266 contacts were made to Central Office in 2016

Central Office is in need of postage stamps and colored paper, please share with your home groups.

**Events Committee** – Marianne (absent). Jane A gave report in her place. We are joining with the Soberfest Committee for a Valentines BINGO event. Flyers are being distributed now. We are hoping for a good turnout. The Java Jive, our annual talent show is still in the works. There will be prizes for winners! Also, a sign-up sheet was passed around for the committee to contribute to bringing a dessert (s). This is how the event raises funds. Bingo is free, but desserts are not.

**Soberfest** – Susan is waiting for the registration information from the webmaster. Soberfest is in need of volunteers to be on committee. Meetings are 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at St. Pauls.

Did NOT make money on the New Year's Eve event. Not a good turnout. Laura needs to get the Soberfest financials for all of 2016. Nothing has been turned in and it is required to include in the taxes. Although there has been many attempts made, Susan will continue to try to reach the Treasurer of Soberfest for these reports.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Rent will not increase for meeting space for the Intergroup meetings. Still have the Outreach position open.

**EyeOpener:** The Eye Opener is still in need of an editor and co-editor.

**NEW BUSINESS:** There is still \$400. in Soberfest PayPal account that needs to be transferred.

## **GROUP REPORTS**

**New Frontier – Jane A.** All is well. We had our annual potluck on Saturday, January 14. It was well attended.

**Buell Big Book Study – Dot L.** Weather can be an issue for people being able to get to the meeting. We read through consecutive chapters from the first 164 pages and then once a month read a story from the back of the book. It is a small group so that leads to great shares, discussions and laughter.

**Morning Coffee – Jerry L.** We are new and would like to grow. Everyone is welcome. The coffee is HOT!

**Keizer Monday Night Step Study – Jerry.** The group is great people. We invite everyone to join us.

**Women of Principal – Anna P.** The group is healthy and thriving.

**Rebellion Dogs – Erik.** Sundays 6 pm Aumsville. Topic Meeting with Bingo-style share. Good core group. Lots of new faces.

**Pioneer Group – Sheila R.** Attendance is good – Good core group. It was agreed at January business meeting to split loose change can between Willamette Valley Intergroup and Soberfest Scholarships.

**Children of Chaos – Jared C.** Everything is great! Large turnout every week with a strong home group.

**North Santiam Group – Bert D.** The Tuesday 6:30 Women's meeting may be shutting down due to lack of attendees. Will keep you all posted.

The other meetings are having reduced attendance due to the weather.

**Way Home Group – Rick R.** No report, no changes.

**Serenity in Sixty – Tonya S.** Group is doing well. Average attendance with some newcomers. Great meeting – very strong women.

**Second Chance Meeting – Cathy C.** Meeting attendance is high. Business meetings are well attended by many home group members. Not all, but many! Discussion about purchase of Big Books. Second Chance purchases all their BB from Central Office. Also, the last Sunday of each month, we will have a lottery-style share. Tickets will be given out and numbers called out to share. This is a trial run and we will give it a few months to see how it goes.

The Intergroup Meeting adjourned and closed with the Serenity Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy C.