

District 37 Business Meeting

April 27, 2021

District 37 Website: aarecoveryd37.org

Area 72 Website: area72aa.org

Attendees: Julie, Cindy, Barbara, Jeff, Stan, Mike, Missy, Barry, John, Brittanie, Nathan, Sonny, Eugene, Mathew, Kale, Tim, Tom

Opened with Serenity Prayer at 7:00

Introductions: New GSR's: Nathan from A New Morning, Alt GSR for Karen

Reading Tradition 4-Stan

Reading Concept 4- Barbara

Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve and approved

Treasurer's Report- Karen absent. Viewed and reviewed by Julie. Cindy noted year over year contributions by group not included. Discussed and some would like to see that included. Motion to approve and approved.

GSR Sharing

Tim-La Center: Meeting in person on Sunday nights at 7. Stan noted an English speakers meeting in Moscow.

Kale- Welcome Home: Last couple of week light attendance. Still on Zoom. Discussed in person meetings at business meeting but need new location because we met at the hospital. Suggestions welcome.

Tom- Men's Fireside: Doing well. Looking into opening up and find a place to have an in-person meeting. Got money from our group and need help with how to contribute.

Eugene- Lewis River: Doing hybrid meeting and hoping Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 7:30. For now 1-hour meeting.

Brittanie-Keep Coming Back: Every Friday night at 7. Zoom only. A couple of home group members started a weekly meeting where they meet somewhere different every week. Message her if you want to be included.

Mathew- As Bill Sees It: Meeting 5 days a week but Thursdays we are having an in-person meeting at the recovery resource center (Hwy 99 in Hazel Dell). Contact them if you are looking for a place to meet or hybrid. They are helping groups with transitions. Limited to 10 people (he thinks).

Nathan- A New Morning: Meets weekdays at 6:45, Sat and Sun 7:30. Roughly 30-60 people.

GSR Sharing Continued...

Mike- Hockinson: Tuesday and Thursday in person. Zoom Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday.

Missy- Cornerstone: Mon-Fri 7-8:15 at grange. Looking for new place to meet. A lot of churches requiring sexual assault insurance coverage for childcare.

Jeff- Fireside: Sunday at 4:30, Monday and Thursday at 7:30. Hybrid meeting with big screen TV. Nice room at church with 25-35 in person with 6-15 people on Zoom. Business meeting went okay, also hybrid.

DCM Report- Julie: Attending Area Qtrly. Received letter from our delegate who just got done with conference and felt she went very prepared with groups feedback. Looking forward to receiving more info on what was accomplished. Area was really good- Take aways: No such thing as a committee of one (committees can use district Zoom); YP Chair is partnering with PI (think that is a great way for us to cross function). Accessibility- about making everyone feeling welcome, lots of opportunities (look at the needs of your community). Jessie, Accessibility Chair is happy to come to district meeting to share. Sent letter after Qtrly with upcoming dates. PRASA is going to be in Portland and looking for volunteers. Pre-Assembly in August. Did some voting (hybrid is 15-20k). Voted to push it back. Hoping to have in person meetings in 2022. Two bids for Pacific NW Conference. Vancouver, WA got the bid for the Heathman in June 2022 (YAY)! Past delegate Allen is the chair and lots of opportunities for volunteers.

Alt DCM Report- Sonny: Area website has GSR courses listed, 3 more. Remote community meeting (Barbara). They want to get 1,000 pre-sale before printing.

Committee Reports-

Open:

Absent: Aliz- Corrections; Lauren- Archives; Sarah- Grapevine

Accessibility- Barbara- Julie mentioned a few things we covered in our quarterly on the 17th. A lot of new chairs, which was nice because we will get a lot of training. Good meeting, Jessie gave us a lot of information. Sonny sent me a PDF workbook and Jessie ordering more from GSO. There's a kit and workbook. Doing a workshop on the workbook and do it page by page for those of us that are new. Starting with basics. A lot more to it than just hearing impaired, etc. And tailoring to needs of our own district. Would like to work with the PCP representative of our group (wave from Stan). Discussed finding the right sponsor for people who have cognitive challenges. See what groups individual needs are. Just getting started but very excited!

Committee Reports Continued...

Archives-Brittanie:Had committee meeting April 14th, 8-10 people. District 7 chair heading up scanning project, district 37 chair heading up sidie projects (oral histories, collecting group info). Still deciding what to keep and how to organize. Next meeting is May 12th at 6 PM. We have traveling display available for events.

Corrections-Aliz:

Grapevine-Sarah:Emailed my report. Several new publications coming out. Spanish, Women's Stories, Prisons- Carry the Message project.

PI/CPC-Stan/Skip: Going to focus on the medical field(primary care). Previously helped Russian speaking group get started through flyer left at Vancouver Clinic. Coming up with a brochure we can send to Vancouver Clinic and try to get individual meetings to explain what we are about. For PI we are looking at seniors but would be interested in looking at YP as well. Business communities (chamber of commerce, etc). Small group but more than happy to have people joining us.

Registrar- Barry: Thanks Julie for your help! Always updating the list. Getting addresses for GSO mailings.

Treatment- Missy: Went to Qtrly, first one I've attended. It was good, a lot of Bridging the Gap conversations. Getting a BTG kit. I learned we are almost the only district in the area not doing in person panels yet. Need to find out how to go about looking into this. Appreciate input on this. Julie-it's different county by county. Check with treatment and see if it's even an option. Everything is good, solid groups going into Ridgefield. Lifeline is improving.

Web- John: Attended Web Qtrly, about 8-9 people. Topic is generally the websites (what are we doing); meetings- how do we get updated meeting info to intergroup, etc. AAWS (AA World Services) has a meeting guide app you can download and find meetings anywhere. Link in chat for aa.org with info. Julie suggested committees let John know when their monthly meetings are so he can post on our website.

Young Persons- Cindy: Attended Qtrly, was helpful and affirming (we are all just starting out). Next committee meeting is Sunday May 2nd from 1-2. Prepared flyer and sent to Intergroup and will send to GSR's and Chairs to use/share.

Old Business-

1. Attending meetings as a district. Are there any meetings we know of that are struggling? Stan-Lewis River really needs support. Julie- lets try to get there on Saturdays at 7:30 in person or zoom.

New Business-

1. John got the blog up and running. I wrote the first one on being involved in service. Would like to rotate with chairs. Sonny will take May.
2. Discuss meeting in person

Motion to Adjourn

Meeting Closed with Responsibility Statement at 8:13