

Area of Hope Service Committee Meeting Minutes 4/20/2013

Meeting was called to order at 12:30p.m.

Opened with the Serenity prayer

Service Prayer – Becky

Welcome and Introductions

12 Traditions –Kathy M , **12 Concepts**- Debbie W

Members in Attendance: 24 GSR's – 10 Quorum is established

GSR Reports:

Monday's

Easy Does It 7:00 p.m. Dayton Church

GSR- Justin M 952-500-1537 ldiddy70@hotmail.com

Area donation \$4.38

Attendance at group level-20

Tuesday's

Women's nite out 6:30 p.m. at Recovery church

GSR Amy B 612-770-8182 ambro499@me.com,

Attendance 12-20 Newcomers 2-3

Area Donation 0

Wednesday's

Just for Today The Newcomer at 7:00 p.m. at the white house

GSR Amy M 612-240-4339 almcsorley@hotmail.com

Attendance 5-12 Newcomers 0-3

Area Donation- 0

Attics in the Basement 7 p.m. at Dayton

GSR- Richard E 651-298-0079 RHeastum@juno.com

Attendance 10 Newcomers 1

Area Donation 0

Courage to Change 7 pm at Lutheran church on Dale

GSR Alvin H 651-503-7901

Attendance 15 Newcomers 3

Area Donation 0

Thursday's

Cover-to-Cover 7 pm at Dayton

GSR Kellie K 651-354-9438 kelliejokrenik@yahoo.com

Area Donation 0

NOTE: This meeting is struggling with attendance, which varies from week to week.
We are able to maintain and pay our rent monthly

Friday's

Warriors in Recovery 6:30 p.m. at VA hospital

GSR Craig A 763-267-4066 Chair- Jerry 651-428-1809

craigmatkinson@gmail.com

Attendance 2 Newcomers 0

Area Donation 0

NOTE: Needs materials. Can always use more vets in attendance but meeting is open to anyone to attend

Back to the Basics 8pm at Dayton

GSR- Johnny S 612-245-0732 stoll-johnathan@yahoo.com

Attendance 10-15 Newcomers 1-2

Area Donation 0

Friday Night Hope 10:30 pm at Midway Club

GSR Bianca 651-200-8186 bappelo511@gmail.com

Attendance 10 Newcomers 1

Area Donation 0

Saturday's

Men of Hope 9am to 11am at Northwest Alano

GSR Vern B 651-263-1614

Attendance 15-25 Newcomers 1-3

Area Donation \$65.00

Stable text study group

Recovery in the Parlor 9am-11am at Dayton

GSR Doris 651-338-3313 djohnsonhealth@yahoo.com

Attendance 15-20 Newcomers 2-5

Wandering but Not Lost 7pm at Dayton

GSR Christopher R 952-212-8216

Attendance 60 newcomers 5-10

Area Donation 0

Sunday's

Addicts We Found It 7-9pm 1145 W Minister

GSR Valerie L 651-757-7106 val33lewis@yahoo.com

Attendance 20-25 Newcomers 1-2 Area donation \$23.00

Executive Committee Reports

Chair: Steve S

I am looking forward to serving the Area of Hope as the area chairmen. Hopefully some of my service experience will help the area continue to move ahead and to serve the addict that still suffers. I met with Becky the other day and we went to the bank to take her name off the account and put mine on it. There are three signers listed on the account, which are Billy S, Bruce, and myself. She also gave me some paperwork/forms for the area meeting. I would like a list of names, phone numbers and e-mail of all executive committee members and sub-committee member in case we have to communicate with each other throughout the month.

Due to the concern of money, I have obtained financial statements for persons that handle money or merchandize and they will need to sign this financial statement. This can be discussed in old business. Pam S. called stating she needs to address the fellowship at Area regarding her payments this will be done in old business. The service office said they will allow the Area to charge literature, but must be paid within 30-days.

In Loving Service

Steve S.

Co-Chair: Position Open – no report

Secretary Report: Position Open-

Amy B read last month's Minutes, as there were not copies available to everyone. Told members if they wish to have a copy to let Amy B know and she would e-mail them out.

Treasurer Report: Report handed out to members

Beginning Balance- March \$4423.27

Donations:

Group's

Women's nite out \$10.00

Men of Hope \$64.00

Addicts come together \$40.00

Repayment of AOH funds \$100.00

7th tradition \$22.00

Literature Sales \$22.00

Events 0

Total income \$273.35

Expenses (Negative Number)

Rent: -\$26.00

Storage(x3 month's) -\$213.00

UMSO -\$374.44

UMSO -\$75.00 H&I

Becky R(copies) -\$23.92

Total Expenses: -\$712.36

3/16/13 income \$273.35

less payouts -\$712.36

Starting Balance: \$4,423.27

Total : \$3,710.91

Cash at end of day: \$273.35

Starting Bank Balance: \$4,423.27

Deposits: \$273.35

Less Pay outs: -\$712.36

Previous Bank Balance: 0.00

TOTAL: \$3,984.26

Prudent Reserve: \$2,000.00

Total Available Balance: \$1,984.26

RCM Report: Bruce

No Report

Sub-Committee Reports

Activities Report: LaRon

- LaRon talked about Unity Adhoc committee and the event coming up on 4/27/13 and making it an Area of Hope event and budget for event to come from activities budget
- A lot of discussion regarding this. Amy B gave budget proposal, which is \$350.00 for event with the use of items in storage locker that Amy has noted on Inventory. Amy B let fellowship members know that Michael G and herself went to storage locker and cleaned and inventoried everything. Copies available to those that wish to have it.
- Discussed that at one time there was a standing budget of \$700.00 for each activity. Becky stated that was changed, and it was voted at one time for any activities there was not going to be a standing budget. A budget for an activity was to be brought to area instead and voted on by GSR's.

Motion number 1 4/20/2103

Maker: Johnny S. Second: Mary

Intent: Dissolve Ahoc committee, and make an official Activity event and approve \$350.00 budget. **Amendment.** To approve \$350.00 Budget as an Adhoc Committee

9 For, 0 against 2 abstained **Motion passed**

Activities Report: Continued

- LaRon reported that an Activities committee meeting has not been made yet, but would be determined. Fellowship discussed if all members would be welcomed to attend activities committee meetings. There was a lot of discussion regarding this, and bylaws needing to be made for each sub-committee and reference to H&I bylaws that are all ready in place. LaRon stated he would let members know when activities committee meeting would happen. It was clarified by chair that all members are welcomed at activity committee meeting or any committee meetings

Hospital and Institutions Committee Report- Suz B absent and no report given

Literature Chair report: Michael G

Inventory is now available and replaced. What we sell of inventory is then used to replace inventory. What is on hand for literature has been established before new literature was bought. The on hand amount may change depending on the need of certain items.

Public Information Chair report: Roger W resigned from this position and returned box of PI information

7th Tradition

Announcements:

Amy B announced the Unity event again and updated flyers were made and copies available to GSR's to bring back to their groups. Amy asked for any volunteers to help out the day of event and to contact her.

Recovery in the Parlor having 10th Annual Speaker Jam on 5/11/2013 5pm-12 am
At Dayton Presbyterian Church All food is free and lots of speakers

Break at 1:20 p.m.

Resumed meeting at 1:30 pm

Open Forum:

Billy- discusses the convenience if Area of Hope pays for the storage locker at Public Storage 3 months at a time instead of monthly

Motion 3 4/20/13

Maker: Billy S Second: Mary D

Intent:

Motion to approve to pay 3 months of storage locker

Vote: 9 for, 0 against, 0 abstain

Motion Passes

-Bank Statements- discussion regarding the availability of bank statements for the Area of Hope to its members.

Motion 4 4/20/2013

Maker: Kathy M Second: Christopher R

Intent:

Motion that copies are made of bank statement every month and brought to monthly Area meeting and copies given to each GSR

Voting: 7 for, 0 against, 3 abstain

Motion Passes

-Debbie W brings to discussion about the need to unfreeze the budgets of Area of Hope that were previously frozen year before due to financial issues.

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Maker: Debbie W Second: Amy B

Intent:

Motion to unfreeze Budgets that were frozen

Voting: 9 For, 0 against, 0 abstain

Motion Passes

Old Business:

-Approval of Minutes: from last month. Vote taken and minutes approved

-Financial Forms: Steve presented financial policy form that a member would need to sign if involved in any money or merchandize at events or area level.

Area of Hope Financial Policy

As a part of your responsibility as a member of Area of Hope you may become involved in the handling of Area of Hope Merchandize and or funds. Please be advised that all Trusted servants and individual addicts, entrusted with the handling of merchandise and or Area of Hope funds will be held accountable. If any Area of Hope merchandise and or funds are found to be missing or misused, an investigation will be initiated by the Trusted Servants. If you are found to have stolen or misused Area of Hope merchandise and or funds, your Trusted Servants position will be immediately forfeited and the Area of Hope will have you prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

Signature_____ Date_____

Motion number: 2 4/20/2013

Maker: Mary D Second: Kellie K

Intent:

Motion to approve financial policy sheets for Area of Hope

8 for 0 against 1 abstention

Motion Passes

-Steve S. Chair- appoints Adhoc sub-committee to update Area of Hope Bylaws. David R is appointed the chair. Members are to reach David R if they wish to attend this sub-committee.

New Business:

Open Positions:

- **Co-Chair:**

Amy B nominates Mary D and Sheila S seconds. Mary D speaks of her willingness.

Becky R nominates David R and Brandon W seconds. David speaks of his willingness.

Fellowship asks questions.

Voting: David R is voted in as the Co-Chair

- **Secretary:**

Debbie W nominates Mona G and Mary D seconds. Mona speaks of her willingness. Fellowship asks questions.

Voting: Mona G is voted in as the Secretary

- **RCMA:** No one willing position still open

- **Public Information:** No one willing, position still open

-Re-payment of funds: Pam S speaks to the fellowship regarding her unemployment possibly not being re-newed and then she would not be able to continue payments until she gets a job. Still owes Area of Hope \$257.00. Pam will not know for sure about unemployment payment status until Monday April 22nd 2012.

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Maker: Johnny S. Second: Mary D

Intent:

Motion to table issue of Pam's payments until next month's Area Meeting

Voting: 9 for, 0 against, 0 abstain

Motion Passes

Adjourn: Meeting Adjourned and closed at 2:20pm

Next Area meeting May 18th 2013

Executive Committee members meet at 11:45 am at Dayton Avenue Presbyterian Church where everyone is welcomed.