District 33 Business Meeting

April 2013 Minutes

Date: Sunday, April 14, 2013

Attendees: Michael D, John R, Jim H., Charles T., Linda L., Russ H., Fred C., Katrina K., Jennie

P., Joe M., Dave C., Debbie S., Billy C., Ed M., Sam H., Terry S., Debra H., Shannon S.

ADMINISTRATIVE

January Minutes

Highlights from the February minutes were read to the group. (There was no March meeting.) The minutes were adopted without correction.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

DCM

Sam tried out the OIAA help link and received 4-5 rapid responses. Sam attended a preconference committee meeting on March 3rd. He served on the inventory committee. There will be an area inventory at the fall assembly. The questions will be posted on the area website prior to the inventory and the questions which will appear will be voted on at the Spring Assembly. The Spring Committee Meeting and Assembly is May 17-19 in Fayetteville. GSRs should plan to attend. Sam also attended the area pre-conference in Durham. There were 175-200 people in attendance. There was a great deal of discussion on the pamphlet on Spirituality, which was presented at the conference. Sam has six groups left to visit.

Alt DCM

There was a suggestion from the area committee on special needs that we include a handicapped symbol to indicate whether or not a meeting is handicapped accessible on both the website meeting list and in our trifold meeting list. (This was voted on during the new business portion of the meeting.) Please, send information about your group's handicapped accessibility to Sam or Leighton. Also, Leighton has received only two changes to the trifold PDF file so he is extending the deadline to submit changes to the end of April.

Website

Jim H. reported that website hits are at about 160 a day and maintaining. As always, send any event information to Jim that you would like to have listed on the district calendar.

Corrections

Jennie P. is waiting on visitors' cards so she can go to different prisons. In Hillsborough, they have a corrections committee and Jennie is planning to meet with them. Anyone who is interested in doing corrections work needs to fill out some paperwork and do a brief training. Email Jennie P. if interested. You can also contact Jennie P. to volunteer to speak at a prison speaker meeting. You do not need any training or paperwork to do that.

Telephone Answering Service

Ed M. reported that there were no excessive fees this month, but everyone should remember to take a caller's number when the phone call is forwarded to you and call him or her back. We are charged for time the call is patched through the answering service. Volunteers are still needed, particularly women. Anyone can volunteer for the TAS on the district website. The district answering service number is available on the website and in the phone book.

Grapevine

Co-chairs positions are still open. Please get in touch if you are interested in serving. Rick S. still has the inventory and is happy to bring it to group events. He will bring it to the Eno Group Anniversary.

Financial Report

If you made a contribution in February, please let Joe know. He lost the ledger sheet and would really like to get that information again. He has the grand total, but not the breakdown between the different groups.

In February, the trifold editing was added to the budget and a treasurer's admin expense. Joe had to stop a check and there was a charge.

Joe M. presented the budget report for March-April 15th:

The bank account balance is \$3132.60. The report balance is the same. The report balance is \$159 less than the same time last year and \$742 more than the end of last month. We have brought in slightly more than a quarter of the year's budget in a quarter of a year.

See the attached March-April monthly report for more information. Please ensure that all checks sent in are represented there. Joe M., can be contacted at treasurer@aanc33.org.

Please Note: The address for Area 51 contributions has changed. Checks should be sent to NCGSC Treasurer, PO Box 657, Wilmington, NC 28402.

OLD BUSINESS

12 Concepts for World Service

Linda Love presented Concept 5, which reads, "Throughout our structure a traditional 'right of appeal' ought to prevail so that minority opinion will be heard and personal grievances receive careful consideration. She reminded us that all minority groups should be encouraged to file minority reports. When a minority feels like there is a grave error on the part of the majority, they should charge themselves with the duty of presenting a minority report. She also noted that the 3rd legacy tradition of selecting delegates makes it so that minority candidates have a greater chance of being elected.

Debra H. will present the 6th Concept in May.

Trifold Formatting

A motion was made to include the handicapped sign on all meeting information (printed and online). The motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

UNC Hospital

The UNC hospital wants to start a meeting in the neuroscience stabilization unit. They want to begin by having a group bring a meeting in on either Saturday or Sunday and then expand through the week. Whatever group (or groups) that take on the commitment would be able pick the day and time. Individuals would need to get a TB test and an ID badge. They would be provided with parking. The group(s) who took on the commitment would be able to determine the format of the meeting. We are waiting to hear if the hospital would provide the TB test. Please speak with your homegroup about this opportunity and see if they would be willing to commit to bringing the meeting. This is an urgent item, as the hospital would like to have a plan in place by June 1st.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Eno Group Anniversary

April 28^t Big Barn

CONTRIBUTIONS

District Contributions

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