

District 7 Meeting

Approved Minutes

1/09/10

Smullin Center, RVMC

Sue opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer and the traditions were read by Chris and concepts were read by Eileen.

Attendance – Sue B., Lloydine, Eileen, Ted, Bunny, Brenda J., Dena, Roberta, Marvalee, Kellie, Chris, Amy, Kay, Michael, Gail, Michelle, Randy, Kelly
There were 18 present, 9 of whom are voting GR's.

Education – Sue B. read from the service manual page 166- introduction to the 12 concepts. Introduction explains the idea behind the concepts: the 'why' of our service structure. Sue also read from Hope for Today, April 10 in relation to the concepts and tying them into every aspect of our growth.

December Minutes – were read and approved with corrections within the 2010 and 2011 SSM section

Treasurer's Report – Bunny stepped down from the treasurer's position. Amy stepped up, District voted, Amy is now the district treasurer. Information and address containing where to send contributions will be sent out. Sue (past treasurer) went over report. The beginning balance as of 11/30/09: \$1,159.43. Ending balance as of 12/31/09: \$1,403.07. Sue will make a correction on page 2 that reflects the 'formula' however does not affect the balance. There was a motion to accept with this correction, voted on and accepted.

Old Business

Important Dates: Group was given sheet depicting important dates that will occur throughout the year within our District. SSM was not on the list and will be April 23, 24 and 25.

2011 SSM Meeting

Location: Bunny discussed that the area had voted on the dates for the SSM being the 3rd weekend in May. She checked on the Ramada Inn, which is not available that weekend and costs \$825 a day with 70 sleeping rooms. Kay checked the Rogue Regency and they were only available on Saturday that weekend.

Committee: Michelle volunteered to be the chairperson for the committee, with Cathy S. as the treasurer. She would like to form committees. Speaker committee is imperative as speakers book quickly. She will contact TMAR tapes to get tapes to get an idea of speakers. Committee will also discuss a theme which needs to be determined by April. Michelle suggested "WE" as the theme and passed around a proposal of her idea. A committee meeting will be held tentatively on Thursday, February 21, at 7p.m. at Michelle's house. Marvalee gave a description of what the SSM is, to clarify between a SSM and an assembly for new GR's. Michelle also made a prototype collection/donation bag as a possible fundraiser for the 2011 SSM.

March 2010 Assembly Update: Marvalee discussed the need for volunteers for the Assembly on March 19, 20, & 21 at Phoenix High School. She passed out volunteer

postcards to pass out at our meetings. Reps were asked to pass them out and collect them prior to the February district meeting. Cards will be collected at the district meeting. She stressed the need for volunteers, if groups do not want to volunteer, monetary donations are welcome as well. Sue and Bunny discussed that these cards are to ask for volunteers beyond the GR's. GR's will be part of the business section of the assembly and will not be able to volunteer during the meeting/assembly.

New Business:

GR Pocket Guides/Place Cards: These are quick reference guides that were made by the Membership Outreach committee at the Area level and were given to the district at the November assembly. Sue gave a quick overview of the guide.

GR Notebooks- Notebook for incoming GR's with every Oregon area guidelines and Oregon Area handbook. Each GR was given a notebook for their group.

Chili Feed- Kelly discussed possible dates for the Chili Feed. March 6 and 13 were too close to the March Assembly. April 17 and May 15 were discussed as possible dates. Roberta H and Kelly C. are co-chairs and will be looking at locations. Location and upcoming committee meeting TBA.

Audit- Books need to be audited on January 16 at 10am at Bunny's house, prior to Amy taking over as treasurer.

District Archives- Sue discussed storing group's history in the computer. If anyone is interested talk to Sue

Baskets: Bunny donated items for suggestions to create baskets to be raffled at the March assembly to raise funds for the 2010 SSM. GR's were asked to take items with them to begin a basket. GR's were asked to talk to their groups to make a basket to donate. Bunny passed around flyers that gave suggestions on how to create a basket

Reports

AA Liaison – Gail was asked by the AA Nov assembly rep to go with her to the Red Lion to look into it for a possible November assembly location. Ted went to the Grants Pass AA district meeting and got information about meetings that are being held in correctional facilities and the idea of having an Al-anon meeting in one. He obtained a contact list of all service reps. They requested mtg lists and discussed with him a combined service/unity day with district 7 and district 16 (AA) in March. Sue suggested that we have too many events occurring in March and adding another event could be a problem. The DCM talked with Ted about having Carleen speak at the March assembly on Friday night

Public Outreach – Roberta was able to delegate out some computer tasks (Amy and Bunny). Tuesday March 2 Senior Access Fair at the Medford Armory, 9-12 ??????. She brought in application to get in so that Al-Anon has a table at the fair. She asked for volunteers to assist with the Fair and public outreach in general.

Website – Randy ran stats for website- over 3,000 people accessed the website. 1,088 were new visitors and the remainder were people that were revisiting. He will be

changing some of the website pages- public outreach and district rep pages as we have a new DR and public outreach chair.

Meeting Lists – Kay brought in new meeting lists for members to hand out at their meetings.

S.O.L.D. – Michelle sent around the profit and loss expense sheet for 2009. Kris and Randy will be taking over SOLD- meeting will be February 20th at 2p.m. Members will be informed of change of address and phone number when it occurs

Answering Service – Kelley gave Michael (her alternate) a sheet with members phone numbers that the answering service connects callers to. Members were asked to take them to their meetings so that members can update or add to the list

Alateen Liaison – Becky was not present

Group Reports - No notes were requested to be taken during this portion of the meeting.

Alternate DR-Sue lead a discussion of having an alternate District Representative. Lloydine stepped up, group voted and passed.

Marvalee will do the education section in the World Service Conference Summary at the next district meeting on February 6.

Closing- Sue B. closed the meeting by leading us all in the Al-Anon Declaration.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kelly C., District Secretary.