

Central Office Representatives (COR) Meeting Minutes

8/11/19

2019 Board of Directors X = present

X Chair, Leonard L	Vice-Chair, VACANT
X Treasurer, Bonnie N	X Secretary, Andrea W
Literature, Gil M	X Communications, Jeff L
X Member at Large, Joan S	

Staff X = present

Office Manager, Scott L	Volunteer Coordinator, Joe R
Newsletter Editor, Judy G	X Call Forwarding Coord Sharon H
District 22 Liaison, VACANT	Dist. 22 Convention Liaison, Rob R

COR's present:

Chip A, Avila Beach Group, AB
David C, 5 Cities Group, AG
Dick B, Mesa Group, AG
Marni, Women's Big Book Study, CA
Ellen S, Open Door, LO
Kimberly L, Pioneer Group, SL
Kenny S, Sunday Eve Rap Group, SL

8:45am Leonard L called meeting to order, followed by the Serenity Prayer and reading of the 8th Tradition.

Reports from Officers and Staff:

Secretary's Report: Thank you to Leonard who took minutes for the last meeting and distributed. Motion to approve Kimberly L, second Kenny S, approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Bonnie N reported that group donations received for Jan-July totaled \$17,375.46, which is \$2524.24 higher than that period last year. CCCOI received \$512 in birthday contributions equaling 512 years of sobriety. Checking Account balance is \$2096.84, Prudent Reserve is \$15,914.06 and Petty Cash is \$100. Motion to approve Joan S, second Kimberly L, approved unanimously. Bonnie N circulated pamphlet entitled Self-Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix and the 9/28/19 Bridging the Gap Workshop flyer.

Member at Large Report: Joan S has been having car problems and has focused on attending meetings in North County.

Chair's Report: Leonard L reported that CCCOI will have a table at the upcoming AA convention. Attendees can pick up a copy of the Meeting in the Pocket at that table. Bob R will also have a Meeting in the Pocket at that registration table and will encourage attendees to stop by the CCCOI table. Gil M will set-up English and Spanish literature for sale at the CCCOI table. The convention committee will reimburse CCCOI for half of the cost of printing the Meeting in the Pocket (total cost \$538.58 / 2 =

\$269.29). Leonard L circulated a sign-up sheet for the literature table and the sheet will be available at CCCOI. The Vice-Chair position is vacant. CCCOI needs to have an updated calendar for volunteers two weeks in advance so that vacancies can be filled.

Communications Chair: Jeff L reported that the new meeting directories, Meeting in the Pocket and Secretary Handbooks have been printed. He received a noise complaint from the neighbors of the 5 Cities Group meeting in AG. The secretaries of those meetings will be contacted to pass on the complaint and to ask the members who attend those meetings to be quieter. Meeting directories will be printed every 2 months.

Call Forwarding Coordinator Report: Sharon H reported that she has a full staff. There have been issues with empty slots at Central Office, filling them and forwarding the phones. Bonnie N asked if there was need for a sub-committee for office volunteer training (people who haven't been trained or would like to receive a refresher). Leonard L will send out an email about training dates to the email list. Sharon H is willing to train office volunteers on Sat when she is in the office.

COR Discussion:

Kenny S asked how to set-up group numbers and bank accounts. He would like to see information added to website. Bob R follow-up? He discussed making sure that LGBTQ members feel welcome and safe at meetings. His group has the yellow safety card on the wall of the meeting. Invite priests to attend open meetings to educate them.

Dick B suggested that secretaries read the secretary handbook and if needed ask people to be tolerant and to respect diversity.

Kimberly L needs flyers for the convention and will stop by CCCOI after meeting to pick-up.

Leonard mentioned that the outgoing secretary in his group trains the incoming secretary before moving on.

Sharon H talked with the delegate about safety and he suggested that the Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC)/Public Information (PI) chair educate professional sending alcoholics to meetings about the purpose of the meetings and the proper way to conduct themselves in meetings.

David C put the safety sheets in the secretary handbooks and gave them to the secretaries.

Andrea W mentioned the Responsibility Declaration and the importance of reaching out to newcomers and if we, as individual members, see anything that we are uncomfortable with in meetings to let the meeting secretary know about it.

Chip A mentioned that it is important to select a secretary who is working an active program – someone who is working the steps and has a sponsor. It is also important to educate church pastors about alcoholism.

Leonard L mentioned the Sponsor Your Healthcare Professional packets that were previously available for members to educate their doctors about AA.

Bonnie N mentioned that French Hospital needs meeting schedules and pamphlets.

9:45am, Motion to adjourn by Joan S, seconded by Andrea W, unanimously approved. Meeting closed with the Responsibility Declaration.