

Minutes for AWSC Meeting – January 18, 2014 – 10 am-12 pm

Attendance: Barbara M., Area Chair; Barbara H., AA Liaison; Dean H., Webmaster; Deb E., Literature Coordinator; Denise C., Group Records Coordinator; George B.; Heather, DR 1; Karen M., DR 3; Mary Ann N., Office Coordinator; Nancy S., Treasurer; Phyllis H., DR 2.

Opening:

Barbara M. opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer, 12 Steps, 12 Traditions, Concept 1, and then Committee introductions.

Minutes:

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the November 16, 2013 minutes were approved with minor changes, to be done by Phyllis H.

AWSC service events:

Barbara H., updated the Committee on our participation at NECYPAA (New England Committee of Young People in AA).

Assembly Feedback Results:

The Committee reviewed the Assembly Feedback results. The Committee agreed to having the agenda and associated materials given to the GR's 4/6 weeks prior to the Assembly. The Treasurer's break out session was very well received and asked to be repeated at future Assemblies. The GR's also requested that future Assemblies be organized the same as the December Assembly with all members attending all break out sessions.

Website Conversion:

Dean H. will update the Committee at the March meeting on the Website conversion (English/Spanish). Barbara M. will check with David G. to see if the request was for the Website or the meeting list.

AWSC members traveling to groups:

The Committee discussed the option of AWSC members traveling to groups throughout the state to connect with members and answer questions they may have of the Area AWSC members. Dean will work with David G. and present a proposal at the next meeting.

Staggered Terms:

Phyllis H. has agreed to chair a task force to address staggered terms to be presented at the June Assembly. Task force members are Barbara H., Barbara M., Denise C., Deb E., and Phyllis H.

Alateen Sponsor BCI Check:

Rose proposed changing the guidelines in the state BCI check required by Alateen volunteers.

Committee Email Addresses:

Heather and George will work together to research having email addresses for the Committee members that will be related to the position and update the Committee at the next meeting.

Treasurer's report:

Nancy handed out the "Draft" 2013 Treasurer's report. She will update it for the year end as soon as the members give her their 2013 expenses.

District Representatives:

Karen informed the Committee that a place for the June Assembly has be reserved. It will be at Calvary United Methodist Church, 200 Turner Road, Middletown, RI.

Heather will contact the Greenville Monday night group that has requested support. She also suggested that the Area offer the CD's from the Workshop speakers for \$10. The Committee agreed and it will be added to the literature order forms. She will also have 25 available for sale at the AA Convention in March.

Phyllis reported that her GRs liked having a district meeting during the lunch break at the Assembly and that she plans to continue doing this at future Assemblies.

Alateen:

Rose updated the Committee on the present activities of the Alateens and their recent Bowling event. She also let the Committee know that two meetings will be closing due to Sponsor having to leaving.

Literature Coordinator:

Deb updated the Committee and asked for possible help loading the car for the AA Convention in March.

AA Liaison:

Barbara H. updated the Committee on the AA Convention, showing the Al-Anon insert for attendees. The Al-Anon Speaker has been confirmed. The Al-Anon meetings will be mini-workshop this year, she will work on the topics and format. When it is confirmed she will send out to the announcement list asking for "chair's" and also people to assist the Literature table.

Meeting adjourned at 12 pm, next meeting will be March 1.