

## Minutes for Area Meeting January 9, 2016

### In Attendance:

Kate M. - DR District 2 Rep  
Heather M.- Public Outreach  
Barbara H. - Literature  
David G. - Area Chair  
Ann-Marie C. - AA Liason  
Dean H. - Website Coordinator  
Shala S. - Secretary

### Old Business

#### 1. Approval of Minutes from last meeting:

- a. Concern was expressed about approval of minutes leading to financials being posted online versus available in office for inquiry. Discussion ensued.
- b. Motion was made to table acceptance of previous meeting minutes until February meeting when further discussion could be had to resolve the financial posting concerns, and for a recommendation with regard to which reports should be attached and posted on the website.
- c. Motion had a second and was passed unanimously.

#### 2. Updated area service contact list. Transition issues discussed.

### February 27, 2016 next AWSC meeting.

- a. List will circulate to settle assembly date and future AWSC meetings.

### Upcoming Events

1. Assembly
2. NERD 3/11/16 - 3/13/16
3. RI AA Convention with AI-Anon participation 3/18/16 - 3/20/16
4. WS Conference 4/11/16 - 4/16/16
5. May - AI-Anon 65th birthday
6. September: National Recovery Month

### New Business

1. Task force will be created by the chair to resolve the issue regarding which reports should be posted on the web with the minutes of each AWSC.
2. Assembly Discussion
  - a. 50% attendance of groups by Group Reps or Proxy
  - b. tables were liked
  - c. be cautious with acronyms and explain
  - d. explanations to proxies helpful
  - e. Be aware of acoustics
  - f. Suggestion made for area service members to split up to facilitate understanding and answering questions.

- g. to increase numbers in attendance it was suggested each member personally invite 1 person to join them.

#### Reports

##### 1. Area Chair

- a. Presume goodwill
- b. stay conscious of anonymity with contact lists
- c. Feb. 3 deadline for AI-Anon Faces Alcoholism
- d. Area membership stagnant
- e. Lack of cultural diversity but good gender and age diversity

##### 2. Financial

- a. We have had a balanced budget (income & expenses nearly equal last 2 years)
- b. annual state appeal doubled in 2015
- c. In Memoriam: a one time contribution can be made and accepted, from members or non members.
- d. workshop income slightly lower than past

##### 3. AI-Ateen

- a. Website should be up soon

##### 4. Literature

- a. Year end totals given/ sales down. Discussion.

##### 5. AA Liason

- a. Speaker set for AA convention
- b. Need a post on web to recruit AI-anon chairs for AA convention AI-Anon meetings

##### 6. Website Coordinator

- a. please share at meetings new information is continuously posted on RIAFG site.

Motion made to adjourn. second and approved unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted in Loving Service,

Shala S., Area Secretary