

NEXT MEETING: Saturday, August 8, 2009 - 10:45am, Quinalt Baptist Church, Kennewick

Minutes: Central Office Committee Meeting, July 11, 2009

NOTE: Mailing Address – Central Office, 102 E. Kennewick Avenue, P.O. Box 6675, Kennewick, WA 99362

NOTE: Mailing Address – District 4, 102 E. Kennewick Avenue, P.O. Box 6675, Kennewick, WA 99362

NOTE: Mailing Address – WA State East Area 92, PMB 263, 331 Valley Mall Pkwy., E. Wenatchee, WA 98802-4831

NOTE: Mailing Address - General Service Office, Grand Central Station Box 459, New York, N.Y. 10163

NOTE: Washington State East Area website: www.area92aa.org

NOTE: District 4 website: www.3citiesaa.org

Present at meeting (Total - 13) (*COR – Central Office Representative, GSR – General Service Representative*)

Jim F. – Treasurer	Paul J., COR – How It Works	Joseph A. – Special Events Chair
Shirley F. – Secretary	Karen S. – Corrections	Patti D. – Alt. COR
Bob S. – Visitor	Steve A – Volunteer Coordinator for CO	Mike S. – DCM
Rich D. – Live & Let Live	Rick B. – Nooners	Jill D. – Back to Life
John S. – Alt. DCM		

OPENING

Meeting opened at 10:45 a.m. by Jim F. with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

ABSENT TRUSTED SERVANTS: Heidi H., Jan P.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Shirley F. – We reviewed June minutes. A motion was made and seconded to approve the June minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Jim F. – Balance as of July 11, 2009 is \$10,274.93 with a few outstanding checks. We need active service committees to spend some of this money. Jim suggested that we send money to the Area and GSO; both are in need of money. If there are checks missing from home groups, please let Jim know. Motion was made and seconded to approve the treasurer's report. The motion passed unanimously.

OFFICE MANAGER'S REPORT: Jan P. – Jan is currently unable to attend the meeting. Steve reported that the bookstore is running smoothly. Books have been ordered and lots of coins are being sold. Volunteers are always needed. Numbers are way off from the last inventory taken; another inventory needs to be done.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ANSWERING SERVICE: Robert S. – N/A. Please contact the Central Office if you are interested in volunteering for the answering service or attend the meeting, which is scheduled for the last Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

SPECIAL EVENTS: Joseph A. – Meeting was rescheduled for this Tuesday at 6:45 at the Alano Club. July 4th picnic was well attended; 50/50 raffle - \$166. The donations that came in this year were much better than last year. They have voted to do a Halloween dance this year; place TBD. It will be kid friendly. We are making progress with our Gratitude Banquet, which will be held the 3rd Saturday in November at St. Joseph's. Volunteers are needed.

CPC/PI: No chair – N/A

CORRECTIONS/TREATMENT: Karen S. – Present at meeting: Melissa M., Lisa B., Roxanne E. Michelle S., Kelly B., Karen S. For Corrections, Kelly has been regularly asking for volunteers for Benton Co. Jail. We currently have three men ready to take meetings to the men, while the women are currently being served by a regular rotation of women. The jail is asking for another women's meeting. While Tina was on vacation, Kelly has been in communication with the chaplains to get that meeting going. Since that meeting, both Tina and I had a chance to offer clearance forms to both Benton Co. and Coyote Ridge at a 7 a.m. meeting at the Alano Club.

For Treatment, Lisa B. has been in touch with Advocates for Wellness. She said they would like to have someone come in and share their story. As soon as we have a clearer picture on how many facilities we have locally, we will begin providing them with literature.

SPECIAL NEEDS: No chair – N/A

INFORMATION SERVICES: Colleen S./John R. – Java Journal is going well Roni is updating the calendar as information comes in; she has asked the committee chairs to email her their regular meeting information. Any information you would like to include in the Java Journal should be sent to Colleen S. at javajournaldistrict4@gmail.com.

ARCHIVIST: Bob V. – N/A

NEW BUSINESS:

1. John S. made a motion that we donate \$1,000 to GSO, \$500 to Area 92 and \$500 for 2010 Spring Assembly. After much discussion (*i.e., the Area does provide \$500 for seed money for the Assembly; a suggestion to donate \$1,000 to both the Area and GSO*). A motion was made to table this motion so that the Central Office Reps can take it back to home groups. Friendly amendments can be made at the next Central Office meeting.
2. **Committee Openings:** Special Needs, CPC/PI. We are also in need of an Alternate Chairperson, an Alternate Secretary and an Alternate Treasurer. Ask people if they are interested!!! Current officers rotate out in November.
3. Another Traditions Workshop is scheduled for October 24, 2009 at Richland Lutheran Church on Stevens and Van Giesen. There will be a flyer made for this event and placed on our website.
4. Steve A. asked if the Tucannon Campout be sanctioned under the Special Events committee. Discussion was had and it was decided that the CORs should take this back to their home groups and bring it back as a motion next month if they need to. This event does not fall under our district; it falls under District 18.
5. The Inland Empire Roundup has asked that the Central Office Archives be shown at the event

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Jim paid the post office box fee for the next six months. The new treasurer will be able to decide whether or not they will need to change the location of the post office.
2. Discussion on succession planning – elections will be held in November and we need people that are available to take over positions. Guidelines can be provided for anyone interested. These are two-year positions and will begin in January 2010.

Motion to close the meeting was made and seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Shirley F.

DATES TO REMEMBER

July 31-August 2	Women in Recovery Spiritual Campout and Retreat, Bonaparte Lake Resort
August 13-16	Northwest Fellowship of the Spirit, Ocean Shores, WA
August 27-30	Hog Heaven 2009, Kettle Falls, WA
September 4-7	Powell River 62 nd Annual AA Rally, Powell River Alano Club, Beach Gardens Resort
September 12	4 th Annual Pig-Nic, Chiawana Park, Pasco, WA
September 18-20	Round Up of Recovery, Chewelah Civic Center
September 26	Standing Committee Quarterly, Walla Walla, WA
October 16-18	October 2009 Voting Assembly, Coeur d'Alene, ID
October 24	Traditions Workshop, Richland Lutheran Church, Richland, WA

2009 Remaining Meetings:

New time and place – Quinalt Baptist Church, Kennewick

Aug. 8, Sept. 12, Oct. 10, Nov. 14, Dec. 12

(Monthly meetings are held the second Saturday of the month at 10:45 a.m.)

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Central Office meetings are open to all AA members - please invite any that might be interested.**