WCO Meeting Minutes 8/2/2021

Open 7pm with serenity prayer

- Attendees: Joe S. (WCO Chair), Scott (WSO CPC Chair), Mark (Finance chair, IT chair, President WCO), Rand A (Board Member), Jeff (District 31 WCO Liaison), Tim (WCO Recording Secretary), Dylan (Frogpond Group WCO Rep, Volunteer), Tom (WCO 12 Step Call Chair), Andrew W. (WCO PI Chair), Carla (WCO Board Secretary), Mark M (District 37 WCO Liaison)
- Minutes from June
    - Motion by Tom, Second by Scott. Passed.
- Treasurer's Report, presented by Mark.
    - Beg Balance: $7,550.98
        - Monthly Deposits: $515.36
            - $131.87 in literature sales
        - Monthly Withdrawals: $612.27
            - Ending Balance: $7454.07
        - Motion to accept by Jeff, Second by Carla. Passed.
- Chair Report, (Joe)
    - Still heavily involved with helping the peer support program and outreach for that.
- Board Report, (Mark L):
    - The number of literature sales continues to rise. We had 4 sales this past month. This is primarily due to Groups switching from Zoom only to in-person and/or hybrid meetings.
    - We continue to look for additional office volunteers. We would like to find at least two more before we consider resuming any walk-in hours. Right now, appointments are working well.
    - We suggest that office volunteers have at least 2 years of continuous sobriety and availability for a 2 hour shift late morning/early afternoon on one Saturday a month.
    - We also have a Board meeting tonight. Board members and Joe please attend. Everyone else may attend if they want.
    - Next month’s business meeting is scheduled for the third Monday, September 20 th , in lieu of Labor Day.
    - I will be out of town that day, so I am planning to send my reports to Joe before the September 20 th meeting. If anyone else who gives a report is in the same boat, then maybe we can reschedule next month’s business meeting.
- IT Report, (Mark L):
    - Hotline received 42 calls.
    - Website had 2,418 visitors.
        - 10,045 web pages viewed.
- Finance Report, (Mark L):
    - Nothing to Report
- CPC, (Scott):
    - We have been concentrating on the start of the Peer Support Program at Providence St. Vincent. Joe, Andrew, and I have made many visits in the last month, working with the hospital to work out the challenges associated with; entry, staff acknowledgement of who we are and why we are there, calling on us for a visit before the patient is medically

stable and able to receive visitation from us, among other initial challenges. I feel we have the process smoothed out and are ready for the trained volunteers to begin taking the support calls. The patients have been open to the visits. We all have had typical alcoholic responses to working the program. All I have visited have been to meetings in the past, are familiar with the AA program, but only one had ever worked the Steps. All stated part of their relapses related to not having in-person meetings as one of their main reasons, along with the usual “not working the program” statements. I have one calling me irregularly, which is great! Calling me at all is fantastic and I am happy our visit made an impact, no matter how large. That tells me we are on the right track!

- PI, (Andrew)
    - This past month has been busy! Joe, Scott, and I have all made multiple 12 step call visits to Providence St. Vincents in conjunction with the BHIT as part of our Peer Support Call program. Starting today, we will be opening the requests to our list of trained volunteers! As we receive a request, we will be emailing our volunteers to find an available member to be of service. We will also be holding two more training sessions next week on the 9th and 11th at 7pm. We hope to build our list of trained volunteers as large as possible.
- 12 Step Call, (Tom):
    - Updated the call sheet.
- Announcement Related to Open Committees:
    - Treatment Facilities, Corrections, **Newsletter**, Hotline, Activities, Outreach, WCO Co-Chair
        - Hotline - New volunteer for Thursday mornings. Another person expressed interest and was sent the guidelines
- AA Announcements:
    - Here is the link to learn more about 12 step calls and a sign up sheet to be on our 12 step call committee. Feel free to share this link with your homegroups. https://westsidecentraloffice.com/service/twelfth-step-calls
- Old Business:
    - Elections:
        - Treatment Facilities, Corrections, **Newsletter**, Hotline, Treasurer, Activities, Outreach, WCO Co-Chair
        - **Please** bring these open service positions back to your group.
- New Business:
    - No New Business
- Discussion/Questions:
    - None
- Motion to close by Scott, Second by Jeff. Meeting closed.