WCO Meeting Minutes 3/06/2023

Open 7pm with Serenity Prayer

1. Attendees: Andrew W (Chair), Jeff M. (D31 Liaison), Mark L (WCO IT Chair, President, Finance Chair), Mark M. (D37 DCM), Clayton D. (WCO 12 Step Call Chair), Scott C. (WCO Rec. Sec., Outreach Chair), Dawn (Banks Bondage Breakers), Susan H. (Straight Talk), Paul V. (Men's Serenity), Dylan (Frog Pond Liaison).

2. Minutes from 2/06/2022:

    - Motion to Accept: Motion by. Dawn, 2nd by. Dylan, – Passed.

3. Treasurer's Report, (Mark L):

    - Beg Balance: $11,853.21
    - Monthly Deposits: $ 518.09
    - Monthly Withdrawals: $ 475.23
    - Ending balance: $ 11,896.07
    - Prudent Reserve: $ 1,800.00
    - Liabilities: $ ($1,395.78)
    - Cash Balance: $ 8,700.29
    - Motion to Accept: Motion by Jeff, 2nd by Dylan/Dawn Tie for 2nd – Passed

4. Chair Report, (Andrew W):

    Hi WCO,
    This past month has been fairly uneventful, although we got some good information back from our volunteers in the WCO Support Call program. A summary of the responses is below -

    - Summary: 7 Responses
        ● Not 100% success on connecting with patient, although patients with prior AA experience seem to answer more
        ● In person would seem to elicit better results as patients who don't answer the phone don't get an opportunity to hear the message
        ● It is tough to maintain a relationship after 1st or 2nd contact, most patients either dont call back or do not answer once they leave the hospital
        ● A few volunteers do not like the email notifications, as they do not see them as easily as a text
        ● Multiple volunteers said this is awesome work, and they are glad to be doing it

    - Ideas :
        - Weekly meetings on 9th floor?
        - In person, but after initial phone contact

    I think we have some more to work on in regard to smoothing out this process, but overall we are heading in the right direction. Going back in person will at least curb some of the "no

response" results. If anyone would like the full responses I can send them by email, as I have made a document for Joe to share with the social workers from the BHIT.

- I will be giving a report at the March assembly coming up on March 31st, I can't wait to steal most of my material from the WCO Newsletter.

Thanks for letting me be of service.

5. Board Report, (Mark L):
    - We had our February Board meeting after last month's business meeting.
    - We discussed some outreach ideas for Scott, our Outreach Chair.
    - Now that both WCO and PAI have agreed to share meeting updates with each other, we have made good progress last month with updating our meeting information.
    - We still hope to have a new printed schedule soon, but the effort has been delayed due to other WCO commitments.
    - If someone can take on the newsletter Chair position, treasurer, or hotline chair position, then that can free up my time for working on the next printed meeting schedule.
    - My hope is to have an automated process that populates the printed meeting schedule from our online meeting schedule.
    - We still are looking for a new office space. The search was delayed this last month in part due to the snowy weather. I hope to resume visiting some potential office spaces this month.
    - If you or someone you know is available to help with the office search, email us at info@westsidecentraloffice.com.
6. IT Report, (Mark L):
    - We received 48 calls and consumed 70/300 prepaid minutes during the last billing cycle which ran from January 16 through February 15th.
    - Our website in February had 2,013 visitors who viewed 6,794 web pages or 243 web pages per day on average.
7. Hotline, (Mark L.):
    - One of our daytime hotline volunteers stepped down this past month. We can really use some help during the weekday hours, especially on Mondays. Please let anyone you know who might be available to answer hotline calls during weekdays, would be much appreciated.
    - They can sign up by visiting our website and clicking on the Hotline item under the Service tab.
8. Finance Report, (Mark L):
    - Nothing to report
9. Outreach, (Scott C):
    - Delivered two cases of BigBooks to Tuality Hospital in Hillsboro. Tuality is continually servicing many alcoholic patients.

- WCO Office Volunteers: We are open by appointment, so the volunteer can make their own schedule.
- At the WCO Business Meeting, Scott was tasked with the two items below:
  - Go through the list of meeting that contribute financially to WCO but don't have a liaison, Joe and Scott will split up the meetings to attend. Scott to follow up with Joe.
  - Scott will reach out to District 31, 10, 36, 23, 37 and 15 to find out the district meeting times and dates. Set up district presentations for outreach and hospital committee work AA Support call volunteers.
    - D31: Meets 2nd Tuesday at 7pm Calvary Lutheran in Hillsboro.
    - D37: Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month 6:30 -7:30 PM
      https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6949975975?pwd=RXd1UW1VYUo5b0VrOXY3U0ZKNW12QT09
      Meeting ID: 694 997 5975
      Passcode: 744097

10. 12 Step Call Chair (Clayton D.):

- Fliers are created and started sending out.
- Would like to post on social media.
- Will distribute to Districts ASAP.
- We need 12 Step Hotline volunteers for weekday hours 8am – 5pm, especially during lunch hours. (Mark L.)
- We really need a Hotline Chair to oversee the 12 Step Hotline. (Mark L.)

11. Announcement Related to Open Committees:

- Co-Chair, Treasurer, 12 Step Call Chair, AA Hotline Chair, Treatment Facilities Chair, Corrections Chair, Newsletter Chair, Activities Chair, Office Volunteer Chair
- **Please bring these open service positions back to your groups, sponsee's, and fellows.**

12. 7th Tradition Break:

- When we observe the 7th Tradition in our meeting, you can use the following link to make an online contribution to WCO:
- https://checkout.square.site/pay/3c2b1e44bdd24354b66bb270a7eda83b

13. AA Announcements:

- OR Area 58 Spring Assembly
  When: March 31st – April 2nd 2023
  Hosted by District 23 and District 37
  Where: Holiday Inn Portland Airport
  8439 Columbia Blvd
  Portland, OR 97220
  (503) 256-5000

  You can find the registration information and the Assembly Agenda at the link below:
  https://www.aa-oregon.org/upcoming-assemblies/

Volunteers are ALWAYS welcomed and needed, and a great way to be of Service! Contact the host committee if interested in helping with the Assembly at: Area58MarchAssembly@gmail.com

- PRAASA 2023
  When: March 3rd - 5th
  Where: LAX Marriott, Los Angeles, CA

  Find out more and register at the PRAASA website: https://www.praasa.org/
  You can also reach out to Amber N., Oregon Area 58 Panel 72 Delegate, at:
  Amber N.: delegate@aa-oregon.org

14. Old Business:
    - OPEN Positions:
      - Co-Chair, Treasurer, AA Hotline Chair, Treatment Facilities Chair, Corrections Chair, Newsletter Chair, Activities Chair, Office Volunteer Chair.
      - **Please** bring these open service positions back to your groups, sponsee's and fellows.
15. New Business:
    - No New Business
16. Discussion/Questions:
    - No Discussion questions.

Motion to close: Motion by Mark M, 2nd by Dawn – PASSED.

Responsibility Statement