

District 2 Business Meeting 9/13/18

Called to order at 6:44 pm by Anthony Longo, DCM, opened with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Fourteen people were in attendance, they were

Jim W. - The Lunch Bunch, Corrections Chair
Gretchen S. – Treasurer
Diane H. – Johnson City Women’s Group
Danny R. – The Family Afterwards Group
Anna N. – Central Group, Public Information Chair
Matt W. – Simply AA Group
Toni B. – Website Chair, Alternate Secretary
AJ R. - Seekers
Chris L. – Caring and Sharing Group, Grapevine Chair
Lucas P. – Friends of Bill and Dorothy Group
Lisa N. – Central Group
Tony L. – DCM
Bill M. – Caring and Sharing Group
Terry C. - Secretary

The traditions were read by Lisa N.

Officer Reports

The Secretary’s report, by Terry C., was not read aloud. Motion to accept by Anna N., seconded by Toni B. and motion passed.

Treasury – Gretchen Sanders reported that the District has \$1629.27 spendable monies in the account.

DCM –DCM Anthony Longo questioned whether the disbursements to Committee Chairs were to be quarterly or “as needed”. The Fourth Quarter Area Assembly will be an area inventory. All groups are requested to have their questionnaires returned by the next District Meeting on October 11. He reported that the GSO questionnaires should be completed and returned by the December District meeting. The First Quarter 2019 Assembly will be held in Knoxville and he suggested that it would be a good idea if all District GSR’s attended it.

Grasshopper Hotline – No representative or report.

H&I - No representative or report.

Archives – No chairperson.

Public Information – Anna N. reported that we would be hosting a booth at the upcoming “Pride Festival” and several members have volunteered to assist with the distribution of pamphlets. The booth will be open from 7:30 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.

Website- Webmaster Toni B. reported that things are going well. It is being regularly updated with fliers. She has printed and passed out fliers about the website to be displayed at local groups and meeting rooms.

Grapevine – Chris L. asked members to read the Grapevine and share them when done so that others, such as inmates, veterans, and those in treatment, have an opportunity to read them

Corrections – Jim W. shared that Greene meetings are going well and that he has been taking Grapevines to the jail. He also shared that more books will soon be needed. Danny shared that Carter County needs books and that their meetings are still being supported. Both members shared that their home groups have been seeing some former inmates attend regularly.

Group Reports

The Family Afterward – Danny R. reported that their group had just made donations to both the District and to the General Service Office.

Central Group – Anna N. said that they have recently elected both a new GSR and new Alternate GSR. They have recently had a number of good eating “shindigs”.

Simply AA – Matt W. expressed that although they have had some recent downturns in attendance, they are still very much alive and kicking.

Seekers – AJ R. said their group is maintaining their status quo and averaging about fifteen members per meeting, most of whom are more mature

Caring and Sharing – Chris L. told the group that their meeting is running smoothly, with somewhat fewer “paper signers”. They are also seeing a few people coming who had started meeting while incarcerated.

Friends of Bill and Dorothy – Lucas P. explained that they are still awaiting the “GSR” packet for new groups from GSO. They have a core group of about five, some of whom will be assisting in the Public Information booth during the upcoming “Pride Festival”.

Johnson City Women’s Group – Diane H. told everyone that they have no issues and regular attendance.

Lunch Bunch – According to Jim W. their group is growing. A few of their new members are people who became acquainted with the fellowship while locked up. They have a variety of meetings, both book studies and discussion types.

VA Dom – Gretchen S. said that their group would be greatly appreciative of any Grapevine donations.

First Things First - Per Gretchen S.- They are okay.

Old Business

None

New Business

On 9/22 there will be a workshop at the Renaissance Center in Kingsport. Anyone interested in attending is asked to RSVP.

Terry C. made a motion, seconded by Danny R., to give \$750 to the Corrections Committee for books. After much discussion, it was passed.

Toni B. made a motion, seconded by Terry C., that a committee be formed to create guidelines for District 2. Several people expressed interest in helping and the motion passed. Toni B. will head the committee because of her experience with such an endeavor.

Matt made a motion, which Danny R. seconded, that the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting closed at 7:46 p.m. without The Serenity Prayer.