

DISTRICT #14 MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: Greg **DATE:** 12-14-08

12 TRADITIONS: Rich

ROLL CALL: 7 voting GSRs

MOTION TO CONDUCT BUSINESS: Terry, Rich

MINUTES- CORRECTIONS/ ADDITIONS: accepted as are

CORRESPONDENCE: N/A

TREASURER'S REPORT: N/A

DCM REPORT: Greg is filling in for Lorena who is away.

SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1-800 SERVICE:

The 800 phone service is working well. We can use additional people on the service both to answer calls from the 800# and to simply be available for 12 step calls which will be a result of the 800# callers. Please take the appropriate sign up sheets to your home groups and ask for additional volunteers for these services. Keep in mind that a minimum of 6 months of continuous sobriety is required. The holidays are usually a very difficult time for alcoholics. I have packets available for all current and new sign ups for both the 800# volunteers and the 12 step call volunteers, please take what you need in your home groups.

As previously discussed the local number with Verizon 208-263-2740 has been disconnected and a final bill will arrive in the mail in about 10 days.

Thank you for allowing me the privilege to serve this wonderful organization. If you have any questions or needs you may reach me by phone at 208.263.6936

Merry Christmas.

Christine D.

Joanne distributed packets for answering and responding to the 12-step calls. Damon mentioned that only home group members are allowed to sign up. Rich said everyone who signs up is checked and interviewed by the 800 committee. Don reports that a new cell tower is operating in Troy.

SCHEDULES:

Schedules- December Report

Nothing to report. I still have the latest schedules available for Fall 2008.

Please call or write me if there are any changes or corrections.

208-610-1016

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Rich B

LITERATURE: Claude reports some delay in getting literature as it sometimes takes up to 2 1/2 months to get enough orders to get free shipping. The Thursday Grapevine meeting donated \$240 to purchase 2 cases of Big Books to be on hand. Asked if we are making donations with strings attached, our district has no guidelines.

ARCHIVES: Leah- see report - [missing]

TREATMENT/ CORRECTIONS: N/A

ACTIVITIES: Melody announced a Christmas Potluck at the Gardenia Center (see flyer). The Gardenia Center is thrilled with AA using the facilities in a positive way. The Thanksgiving Potluck was a success. A receipt for \$70 for the rental of the hall.

PUBLIC INFORMATION: N/A

OLD BUSINESS: Don submitted an e-mail from Larry from the Troy Group regarding our Area's two Assembly system. It is attached for you to read.

My group, The Troy Group, Troy Montana has had a concern about the new 2 Assembly system which was voted as a trial procedure 5 years ago. Actually it was voted to try it for 5 years however after only 4 years it was made permanent.

Our group, despite being fairly small and quite remote has had a good record of participation in area affairs. From the beginning; we have been concerned that some of the smaller groups are being excluded from Area participation by the financial burden of sending GSR's to 2 assemblies.

I have volunteered to scope out the chances of coming up with realistic alternatives.

Ones that would increase the chances of participation by all Area 92 members.

If a workable alternative can be found, Then the Troy Group would be happy to submit a motion for the consideration of the Assembly.

The purpose of this message is to solicit your thoughts (pro and con).

YIS

Larry W

406-295-9577

All members of this household are friends of Bill W.

NEW BUSINESS: Melody submitted a receipt for rent for the Thanksgiving Potluck, as she had been told it was a district sponsored event. However, District 14 does not sponsor activities. Activities should fund themselves or be funded by whomever puts them on. Discussion continued as to why this is and how we can clarify this to others. Our Activities chair does not put on activities, its purpose is to let others know what activities are happening in our district. A collection was taken to help pay for the Thanksgiving Potluck.

NEW BUSINESS: Rich as Carol reported on the progress of the 2010 Fall Assembly Committee. A meeting was held on 12-7-2008 and we discussed the requirements for a location. The Bonner County Fairgrounds became our preferred option. No one else has reserved the fairgrounds for that weekend. We have requested the facilities, and Joanne from Spokane will need to O.K. our selection and put money down (Area money). Another meeting has not been scheduled. If you are interested in joining the 2010 Fall Assembly Committee contact Carol or Terry or attend the next District meeting.

7HT TRADITION: \$15

HOMEGROUP SHARING: none
NEXT MEETING 1-11-09
MOTION TO ADJOURN: Terry, Joanne