

District 7 Meeting Minutes

4/7/2020 prepared by Brianna M.

Attendance: Joey S., David V., Jen F., Mary, Brianna, Crystal H., Jeanne Marie B., Terre Z., Steve P.

Meeting by Zoom started at 7:04 pm. March meeting minutes read by Jen F. Joey pointed out error on minutes report. It says “minority” and needs to say “majority”. Brianna to fix the minutes and send out the amendment.

Jeanne Marie made motion to accept past meeting minutes with amendment, seconded by Jenn. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasure report: No report, Debbie not present.

JoCo Intergroup: report given by Jenn. Everything discussed last month has changed. Lauren is no longer able to take literature position. Jeff P. stepped up to volunteer coordinator. Central office is officially closed to walk in traffic. There will still be phones answered by volunteers. If someone needs literature, they can call and make an appointment. There have been people stepping up to fill in for the phone volunteer schedule. If groups need literature, they can call ahead to central office and someone will go down there; this also goes for donations.

PI Committee: report given by Jeanne Marie -they got two new volunteers Sean and Rissa. At this time no pamphlets are being delivered. If there are any needs for pamphlets, they can call Jeanne Marie.

Treatment Chair: report given by Joey. He put out an invitation to Choices and Ontrack offering A.A. panels through Zoom meetings. He has not heard back from anybody yet. He also reached out to Adapt. There is a fear of HIPAA violation with Zoom meetings.

GSR Reports:

Women’s Stronger Together: Report given by Jeanne Marie- She went to homegroup and presented the concerns of no funding for GSR funds and she explained the reimbursement she received by District. They took a vote about funding for GSR and they agreed to pay \$68.10 for the remainder of the cost for the Assembly funds, she was paid by the treasure Alison. They said they are willing to be more helpful with future GSR costs.

They have been reaching out to members by phone. Anyone can call Jeanne Marie if they need anything.

Easy Does It: Report given by David. Nothing new. They are currently on Zoom meetings. He was hoping May Assembly was still going to happen.

Old Business: Still open positions. Adhoc committee has not had opportunity to meet yet to discuss budget. Joey asked that anyone interested raise their hand. Terre Z. announced that she noticed there are people that are shut ins and haven’t been to meetings in a long time, this Zoom meeting has been an opportunity for those people to attend a meeting. She started a shut-in style meeting on Zoom that will be continued after quarantine restrictions are lifted. Tuesdays at 10 am on Zoom, meeting called Epic, and it will be posted in the newsletter. This gives an

opportunity for people who don't leave their houses to have meetings. Crystal suggested that District consider reimbursing her for Zoom account to continue that meeting. Joey really likes that idea, and this is something that can be funded. Jen suggested Terre reach out to Paul from Sunshine Committee to see if there is anyone he works with that can benefit from this Zoom meeting. Terre asked for Paul's contact info from Jen. Joey discussed bring meetings to nursing homes because they need it as well. Steve said PI can help be proactive in spreading the word about this Zoom meeting opportunity. Jeanne Marie clarified that they have brought pamphlets to Convalescent homes.

Steve announced International Convention and PNC has been cancelled. There are not any emails about Assembly being cancelled at this time. Mark N. is IT committee co-chair and is going to put on an online Zoom meeting discussion on how to handle outsiders trying to jump into the meeting, this will be a Q&A session. One was yesterday and the next one is tomorrow at 11 am then Thursday at 3:30 pm. If anyone is interested in this meeting you can reach out to Steve P. and he will get you the information.

New Business: Joey said he is willing to help with the shut-in Zoom meeting and anyone who has a Zoom account can run the meeting. Terre said that would be great because Tuesday at 10 am is not an ideal time for her and she would like help.

We have been in lockdown due to COVID-19 restrictions!

Jen wanted to discuss some questions they have been receiving about Central Office funding. "How is Central office doing financially and how do we donate?" Spring Fling had to be cancelled and groups are not getting 7th traditions. The groups have been generous throughout the year and this has been helpful. They still have to pay rent and anticipate answering service to increase. Elizabeth said they are good for approximately 6 months with their current funds. If people want to donate or groups want to donate, they can call ahead, and they can also take Zelle payments. If a group has a bank account, they can make contributions to Central Office through Zelle.

Mary announced the events page has new events and they are all Zoom. This coming weekend and next weekend are speaker meetings all day long.

Joey will send a text to everyone on the phone letting them know to check the page.

Jeanne Marie wants to know if there are any people without food or jobs that need any assistance? Is there anything that can help with these issues?

Joey has concerns if that can set us up for trouble if someone gets sick. It goes against traditions. Jen said there are foodbanks, Food and Friends is available if people call ahead so they can get a meal (this is geared for Seniors).

Jeanne Marie just wanted to announce that she will help if there is a need. Joey and Steve are going to talk to local food resources to see if they have any needs and let Jeanne Marie know.

The Turning Point Group is looking into Venmo account so they can start collecting 7th tradition. Their treasurer is researching and will share information that he gets.

Terre wants to know if she can post on her Facebook about the Zoom meeting called Epic to announce date and time.

Steve said this is breaking anonymity.

Joey said there are multiple Facebook groups that are dedicated to recovery members only. They are private groups. You can post the information on that site.

Jeanne Marie suggested if need to give out passwords, give it out privately.

Jen said if you click the link for meetings on the Grants Pass AA website it will take you in the meeting without requiring someone to put a password. Grants Pass AA website is not posting any passwords, but it is embedded in the link.

No further business.

Jen made a motion to close the meeting. Seconded by Jeanne Marie. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting closed at 7:56 followed by the Serenity Prayer