

Al-Anon Information Service (AIS) Committee Meeting (DRAFT) January 17, 2019

Meeting opened by Chair Cheryl F., with the Serenity Prayer.

Concepts and Warranties read by everyone.

Welcome: Chair Cheryl F., welcomed everyone to a new term of the Board. She stated that the intentions of this new term will be to have fun while we manage the business of the AIS office and Board.

Introductions: Chair, **Cheryl F.**, Hillsboro Friday Night; **Diana D.**, Assistant Chair, 12 Step Calls, Primarily Parents, Too; **Carla H.**, Treasurer, Safe Havens, Information Service Representative, (ISR); **Val V.**, Secretary, Let Go Too, ISR; **Nancy B.**, Co-Manager AIS Office; **Bob E.**, Weekend Survivors, Fundraising, ISR; **Kate M.**, Eastside 11th Step AFG, ISR; **Debbie B.** Faith and Freedom, ISR; **Barbara O.**, Thursday Night Study Group; **Patty L.**, New Beginnings, ISR; **Judi W.**, Steps to Serenity, Group Scoop Editor; **Anna J.**, Love and Service, ISR; **Veronica P.**, Thursday Noon Young People, Media; **Janelle M.**, Parents Aren't Perfect, 12 Step Calls; **Luther J.**, Tower AFG, ISR; **Ray H.**, West Linn Sunday Night, ISR; **Julie M-M**, Steps to Serenity, Speaker Coordinator; **Judy J.**, H.U.G.S.; **Deanna M.**, New Me, Oregon Area Secretary; **Sue M.**, Sunday Strength, ISR; **Amanda D.**, North Plains Tuesday Night, ISR; **Cindy F.**, Aloha Monday Night AFG, ISR; **Moon L.**, New Me, Institutions Chair, **Lloyd D.**, Family Lake Oswego Tuesday Night, ISR.

Secretary's report: by Val V. Report approved with corrections; Veronica's last initial is P., not R., and second error is change 'group' to Conference with Al-Anon/Alateen participation in paragraph regarding OSYPAA.

Treasurer's report: by Clara H. accepted by motion, second, and unanimous vote. Discussion about the new revised and simplified budget report answered and ISR's are to take the report to their groups for review. Discussion held about the new report and questions answered.

Old Business:

Bus Campaign:

Portland Metro Bus Campaign

Two years ago, (2017) members from the Portland Metro Area came up with the idea of a multiple district bus campaign. Members, Group Representatives (GR's), Information Service Representatives (ISR's), District Representatives (DR's), and AIS worked hard to spread the word that any member, group, district or Area could donate to the "Bus Campaign." It worked, nearly \$12,000 was raised. In 2017, \$7000 was spent to have 37 buses with our Al-Anon squiggly road sign ("When you don't know where to turn... because someone drinks too much...") on the back of them traveling around for 4 weeks. Most stayed on longer than 6 weeks but there were few that stayed longer than 10 weeks. Only 4 weeks were paid for so all extra exposure was a bonus.

The remainder of the money was spent on the 2018 bus campaign, which cost about \$5000 for 14 buses to travel around for 8 weeks. This began July 1st but the signs were actually installed in late June. I am so excited to announce that as of December 15th, 2018 there were still 13 of our signs being displayed and as of January 15th, 2019 there are still 11 signs on buses. This is 21 weeks of bonus time, which would have cost about \$21,000 plus the initial \$5000. There is an assumed 23,000 impressions per month per bus. That is over 2.3 million impressions during the life of the 2018 campaign so far. Let's hope those that are still suffering can see just one sign and make that mental note that there is help out there.

I cannot thank those of you who worked on raising money enough for making the Bus Campaign a reality. I hope each and every one of you is able to see a sign. I know personally every time I see one it lifts my spirits and lets me say I was part of that.

Deanna M

Procedure Manual Report: by Val V. and Cheryl F. Work continues on the review of all procedures, and editing is beginning on the work already completed. This project scope has been much larger than previously thought, and we will continue to do a thorough and complete job. When compiled we will present it to the new board in this coming year.

Board Positions:

1. Judi W., Group Scoop Editor, asked for volunteers to take over the position. She will help anyone get started as Editor.
2. Amanda D., will visit the next Al-Anon World Service Committee meeting scheduled to be held in Portland on February 16th, and report back on the AREA/AIS Liaison Position to the group.
3. Kate M., is investigating the Literature Committee Chair position.
4. Public Information/Public Outreach and Office Volunteer positions still remain unfilled.

Sending Minutes and Agenda's by email: Chair Cheryl F., requested input from the ISR's about receiving the Agenda by email previous to the meeting or not. After discussion a motion was made to have the Minutes sent by email within two weeks after the meeting, and an agenda and previous minutes emailed again the week before the next scheduled ISR meeting.

New Business:

Budget for 2019: On December 6, 2018 at 6:00 PM a potluck meeting was held in the AIS office to prepare the 2019 budget. In attendance were outgoing Board Chair Judi W., incoming Board Chair Cheryl F., Office Co-Managers Beth J., and Nancy B., Clara H., Treasurer, Fran, Patty L., Diana D., Barbara O., Moon L., Louise O., and Veronica P. The completed Budget was presented to the Service Committee meeting and reviewed. Questions answered. The Budget was accepted by the ISR's attending.

The remaining items of New Business on the Agenda were transferred to the next Service Committee Meeting on March 21, 2019 as we ran out of time.

Meeting closed with the Serenity Prayer by Chair Cheryl F.

Next Board Meeting is February 14, 2019

Next Service Committee Meeting is March 15, 2019

Respectively Submitted,
Val V., Secretary