

Northern Colorado Steering Committee Minutes- September 20, 2021

Call to order: 5:15 PM

1. Serenity prayer + welcome
2. Quorum (>5 officers) *Indicates Present
 - Chair - Alex*
 - Vice-Chair - Vacant
 - Treasurer - Donna Lee
 - Asst Treasurer - Julie*
 - Secretary - Jamie*
 - Asst Secretary - Jessica*
 - Committee Person-at-Large - Chelsey*
3. Motion to approve minutes from last meeting: Jamie, Chelsey
4. Active reports
 - a. Chairperson (Alex): Current AA learning and General Service opportunities were shared, including the Area 10 Corrections Conference, Southwest Regional Forum, and early registration for the 2022 State Convention.
 - i. Explanation and history about the Southwest Regional was provided: Regional Forums originated in 1975 at the suggestion of Dr. Jack Norris, then Chair of the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous. They were to be weekend sharing and informational sessions designed to help the General Service Board, A.A. World Services, Inc., the Grapevine Corporate Board, the Grapevine Staff, and the General Service Office Staff stay in touch with A.A. members, trusted servants and newcomers to service throughout the A.A. service structure. As with in-person Regional Forums, the weekend will include workshops, presentations, Q&As, and much, much more. All members are invited, so get on the virtual bus! Bring a newcomer!
 - ii. New Rotations and Elections are coming up for District 21 positions. If interested, visit the next District meeting.
 - b. Treasurer (Julie): Total Gross Income: \$5579.58, Expenses: \$5,105.12, Total Net Income: (\$2,581.79) Total Projected Budget for September: \$ 4,689.72
 - i. Contributions are down currently. Total Group Contributions for August were \$994.73. Please continue to share in groups about the importance of contributions to groups and Central Office!
 - ii. Motion to approve Finance Report: Jamie, Jessica
 - c. Central Office (Beth):

- i. Beth completed work on the barcodes for Square. Installed Square for Quickbooks App and learned how to use it. The original Merchant account is now closed, but not after fighting with them over an early termination fee, sending back the machine, and resulting in a \$295 cost. It was noted that Square will not have the same termination penalties/difficulties when/if we decide to move on from Square. QuickBooks and budget was filled in with August/September numbers and created the August finance report. Talked with Don T. about the upcoming Sober Songs event. He said it is coming together even better than last time. There are no longer any open shifts at the Central Office; there is now a Waitlist! Day Watch Phone Stats: 86 phone calls in August. There will be more detailed stats about call types for September. Currently most focused on Volunteer Training with Julie to ensure proficiency in Square, QuickBooks, etc. Corrections Conference: Beth will be attending with some literature/products and the Square for the first part of the event. It was noted that there has been good feedback from the volunteers about the Square and its efficiency.

5. Old Business

- a. Merchant Status: See Central Office report.

6. New Business / Pending matters

a. Fundraising & Events Committee

- i. October event cancelled: It was agreed that an in-person event in October would be irresponsible in light of nearby at-capacity hospital ICUs. It was agreed to host another virtual Sober Songs event instead.
- ii. December event
- iii. Workshop ideas: Hoping to have some workshop around specific topics for fundraising purposes. Some topics and event frequency were suggested:
 1. Sponsorship
 2. Back to Basics
 3. General Service
 4. Topics aligned with 12 step principles, held monthly with the number of the month/step
- iv. Meetings at Personal Residences: There was discussion about a meeting that has been temporarily moved to personal residence as their venue due to COVID restrictions at the meetings' original venue. There was discussion about how best to/not to share information about that meeting as it relates to safety.

7. 7th Tradition - Venmo @NCIGAA

Close 6:01 PM: Motion to Close: Julie, Jamie

Next Meeting: October 18, 2021

