Minutes

July 20, 2016 AWSC Conference Call

Members in attendance: Lori K, Elaine D, Carole D, Brett H, Deb L, Pam C, Cindy C, Frances M, Patty K, Sue T, Jeanne H, Libby G, Kay S, Dorothy R and Peggy W.

The conference call was opened with the Serenity Prayer. Connie W, was unable to attend so Lori K was acting chairperson. Items on the draft agenda were discussed. The following items were brought forward to the Fall AWSC Agenda.

Fall AWSC Agenda:

Old Business

- July 20, 2016 AWSC Conference call minutes
- Corrections/Additions to 2016 Spring AWSC minutes
- Treasurer Update
- Montana AFG, Inc.
- Update to the MT website-Brett
- Compilation of past officers. (Pennie and Lori K)
- Thought force on local/Area hot line numbers. (Sylke, Chris, Warren, Patty, Katy, Deb)
- Al-Anon cooperating with AA regarding roundups and seed money. (Sylke)
- Meet the Board Event- Kalispell is primary; Bozeman secondary location in MT.
- Determine the topic we would like a Trustee to share about in the Fall 2016.

Email vote went out to all AWSC voting members. Topics being considered: Alateen, Thought Force/Task Force; Links of Service; History of Al-Anon; Knowledge Based Decision Making.

Committee updates

- Area Speaker Meeting Thought Force (Pennie K, Carole D, Judy, Lori K, Dorine and Peggy) Consider making this a Committee at AWSC Fall meeting.
- Team Event Task Force June 2017 (Frances M, Carol S, Norma, Cindy C, Lori K, Shannon S, Connie and team members from Idaho)
 - o Frances M updated us on Team Event. Montana will be joining with Idaho to put on the event in Missoula, MT in June, 2017. A venue has been selected and are awaiting confirmation of date from The World Service Office very soon. Idaho co-chair is Nancy Jo W. There are several service positions open! Immediate need for a Treasurer.
 - o The Team Event requested \$200.00 from area for miscellaneous start-up costs. A voice vote was taken and the request was granted unanimously.

O Thought force for getting DR's and GR's involved at the Area level. (Katie, Carol S, Cindy C, Pennie, Robin)

New Business:

- Discussion on if it would be beneficial to have all area officers & DRs be AMIAS
 as well as offering Alateen training for GRs attending assembly. Patty, is hoping
 to offer AMIAS training at fall assembly.
- Language change to the Bookmark. Elaine
- Beginning discussion of Spring Assembly location 2018, decision spring 2017.
 Several communities are considering putting in bids for Spring Assembly.
- Possible discussion of moving fall Assembly from Lewistown== AA may be moving from Lewistown due to increased expenses. Is it important to be in the same town with them? Do we want to stay at Lewistown? Will need to make some decision this fall meeting since we will need to make a contract with the Yogo for 2017. Have discussion at District level before fall assembly!

Discussed...comments offered...

- o What will the increased cost be to stay in Lewistown?
- o Do we want to take into account what AA is doing?
- o Come w/spouse/AA? Initially we went to Lewistown before AA centrally located community or ?
- O Should Fall Assembly also rotate locations? If so, consider a location to compliment Spring Assembly location.
- o Spring Assembly is self supporting without AA there.
- o If multiple bids for spring assembly consider ones not selected for Fall Assembly location Info possibly coming from Kalispell, Bozeman & Great Falls on Spring Assembly. We know what Miles City is, Frances sharing Missoula info from team event. Some info also coming on Helena.
- o Per Team Committee facility research felt it was best is have 10-12 months lead time on facility so there is availability.
- O Please all take back to your districts and the GRs to groups so are informed and can bring input to Fall Assembly.

Adjourn Meeting with Al-Anon Declaration

Announcements: New G.R. training time TBD. (either lunch break on Saturday or 8:00am Sunday) with Carol S.

Fall Assembly

Yogo Inn, 211 E Main St. Lewistown, MT

Phone # 406-535-8721, Room block AFG.

AWSC Sept. 17th from 9am-12pm

Assembly September 17th from 1 PM to 8 PM

Sunday, September 18 from 9 AM to 12:00 PM

Fall Roundup - Bozeman, MT

September 30-October 2, 2016

www.bozemanroundup.com

Best Western Plus Grantree Inn 1325 N. 7th Ave., Bozeman

406-587-5261

Mention AA Roundup before Aug. 30 for discounted rates of \$94/night + tax.

Spring Assembly 2017, date to be determined

Sleep Inn & Suites, 1006 S Haynes Ave, Miles City 406-232-3000, ask for Room Block "AFG Al-Anon Group" Area World Service Committee (AWSC): ??, Friday, 7 - 9 pm Area Assembly: ??, Saturday, 9 am - 5 pm Dinner and Speaker meeting Saturday evening

Save the Date

2017 Spring Roundup, Billings MT May 19-21, 2017, Big Horn Resort

Upcoming topics

Spring AWSC and Assembly for 2018-2020 location to be determined in 2017. Topic for Trustee visit September 2016.

We closed with the Serenity Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori K MT AFG Secretary