Montana AFG AWSC Meeting

Action is Attraction – There is No Growth in the Comfort Zone

Belgrade, April 5, 2019

Holiday Inn Express & Suites, 3009 W. Madison Avenue

Phone 406-388-7100

 **Registration**

 **Welcome**

 **Old Business**

* Need for a wireless mic? Thought Force-Gerrad, Virginia, Tracey-Volunteered
* Road Trip You and your Board connect (Carol S.)-Seattle WA Oct 19, 2019. Carol will be sending out invitation. Deadline in Sept. Question: Registration Costs? Small fee
* Changing the things we can - Evaluation 2018 (this will be repeated tomorrow)
	+ People want less information on intro
	+ There are table folders with information in them(Acronyms, definitions, participation, KBDM paper to write notes questions for the floor or pass a note to the person next to you)
	+ Where are the different Districts? There are is a Map on the Wall with the district info
	+ If you have a problem with facility please let them know.
	+ Overcrowding is a problem and we try our best to get big enough spaces sometimes we have to compromise.
	+ Speak up or come to the mic
	+ Workshops – Training DR Leadership after AWSC meeting.
	+ Thought Force Task Force Committee reports were discussed on the Conference Call Feb 10 if you did not make the call, the reports were sent out at least twice, discussing will be at assembly.

**Task/Thought force, Committee See reports sent out (All will be presented at Assembly)**

* Area Speaker Meeting update and Guidelines (sent 2/10/2019)
* Task Force regarding AMIAS background check (Shannon)
* Thought Force regarding future AWSC and Assembly topics (sent 3/9/2019)
* Thought Force Regarding the Area LDC (Carole D.)( sent 2/10/2019
* Thought Force Regarding Archives (Chris K.) Sent 2/10/2019)
* Task Force - Presented at Assembly-(Carol)-Evaluations. AWSC Evaluation & Assembly Evaluation. Using google Forms, safe preserves anonymity, biggest challenge is what to ask.

**New Business**

* TEAM (info sent 2/12/2019-Time to have another Team Event (Together Al-Anon Member Empowering Members)-Need Committee members-Hoping to have in 2021
* Thought Force/Task Force Sheets
	+ Framing the Topic Sheet (sent 2/12/2019-Those were sent out, would like to starting using those. If you want a topic to put on the agenda, please complete framing the topic form and send back to Pennie. If you are a thought force or Task force, you will get these sheets with your charge complete and sent back to me. Be sure and put the topic that you are working on. Question: How does KBDM fit into these Task and thought force. KBDM will give us information needed to make an informed decision.
* Trustee/WSO Staff visit Fall 2020
	+ What do we want them to talk about-According to our 3 year rotation, we ask the world service office to send us someone to talk with us. We need some ideas of what we would like them to talk about when they come. Suggestions: Public Outreach, Sponsorship, Example of how the service arms work and don’t work.
* Set times for Spring Assembly-Fall is always the 3rd weekend in Sept. Spring we let the delegate pick the dates (see previous motion)- Dates might end up according to what the hotel needs.
* Add 2 new business items. Pam on thought force, Kay, Connie to raise registration prices
* Jerard from Havre-DR Malta Havre area-District 3. Would we ever use skyping so people could be part of the Assembly? Traci, Jerard, Mike B . Teresa G.
* Speaker meeting-Deadline for meal, had several requests for meals after the deadline. Would area consider fronting x number of tickets. History-Caterer extended deadline- after deadline 3 more requests for meals came in. If someone bought the ticket whoever needed it would purchase it from area. If no one buys a meals, the area would not be paid back. Suggestion-could have the number of meals purchased by deadline, add x amount of meals. Cost could reflect the extra meals. Another suggestion, go by the deadline. This is the beginning of a 3 year cycle, some people are new and aware of the process. Keep deadline, plan for extra.

 **Announcements**

* Time to start working on bids for Assembly Spring 2021 Voted on Fall of 2020

Any districts that want the Assembly come to you, see Pennie, and she will help you get set up with the information that is needed.

**Adjourn with Al-Anon Declaration at 8:40 pm**

**Respectfully Submitted**

**Cindy Caldwell, Area Secretary**

Break

District Representative Training - Leadership (Elaine and Cindy)

VISION: To ensure that all Al-Anon/Alateen groups in Montana have an opportunity to affect the direction of Al-Anon as a whole through shared information between the groups and the World Service Conference (WSC).

MISSION: To collect and distribute information and reports, initiate projects, and make recommendations that support Al-Anon/Alateen at all levels (groups, districts, and WSC).

COMMITTEE -Originating body.

TASK FORCE -Temporary unit of people established to work on a single defined task or activity. They are the doers.

THOUGHT FORCE -Temporary unit to research ideas and possibilities. They are the thinkers.

WORK GROUP -Originating body assigned to pursue and implement multiple duties. (Long term)

Refer to the Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual for a complete description of most of these terms.