

**Valleywide Hospitals and Institutions Meeting Agenda
 Central Church, A United Methodist Community East Dining Room
 1875 North Central Avenue Phoenix Arizona 85004**

**Website: www.vwhi.org
Wednesday November 8, 2017**

Aaron opened the Meeting with a Moment of Silence followed by the Serenity Prayer at 7:09 PM.

Tracey read the 11th Tradition.

Aaron asked for all of the new H&I Home group Reps to introduce themselves with their names and the groups that they are representing. Welcome all!!

Announcement from the Chair: Robert not present hence no report.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CO CHAIRPERSON: Aaron D. said that if you cant be here up to two minutes before the meeting starts that if you text/call him that he will make your report.

SECRETARY: Tracey thanked Dennis for printing the Minutes for the Meeting. She said that in the back there is the Minutes as well as the Agenda. Minutes were approved.

TREASURER: Dennis said that we have Money. He reviewed the Treasurers Report. He also said that he provided a Group Contribution Report. Please review and if there is any corrections needed to please let him know. Treasurers Report was approved.

BALANCE FORWARD	\$2,970.15
INCOME	
GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS	\$6,531.17
BUSINESS MEETING COLLECTIONS	\$43.00
INCOME TOTAL	\$6,574.27
EXPENSES	
Literature	\$6,918.32
U haul Storage Unit	\$169.74
Meeting Room Rent	\$75.00
Printing	\$287.51
Printing Bridge the Gap	\$180.82
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$7,281.75
BALANCE AFTER EXPENSES PAID	\$2,262.67

LITERATURE: Keith said that we spent \$6,294.40 on 660 BB and 200 on 12x12ø. Our literature budget was \$6,300.00. Please have your order in by COB December 1st.

AWARENESS DAY: Shawna said that Saturday's semi annual picnic was fantastic. We had approximately 120 guests in attendance all set in beautiful South Mountain Park & Reserve with gorgeous sunny weather and good time was had by all. The day began with a morning hike and meditation followed with fun food and fellowship music great speakers and audience participation. At the conclusion we had 3 raffles which took a while! Special congrats to Stephen S. the winner of the grand prize of a big screen smart TV with Roku!

The speakers shared their experience strength and hope of their years of service carrying the message to the confine alcoholic. Representing VWHI included Rivka G., Aaron D., Eric S., and special guest speaker Bridget Mack the MCSO Volunteer Coordinator. Many thanks to them for their inspiring stories of rewarding service work!

We could not have done this without help of countless volunteers who stepped up to be of service and the support of the H&I Steering Committee. Thank you to all the home groups & individuals who contributed to the bake sale & donated raffle prizes.

ADPC Committee Members were Frank & Zee T., Carol B., Steve D., Dennis D., Aaron B., Dave H., Matt W., & Christa S.

My most sincere gratitude for allowing me to be of service commitment!

WEB SERVANT: Steve said that everything seems to be working. He said that at the end of the evening the minutes will be posted as well as the other resources.

TREATMENT COORDINATOR: Eric first wanted to Thank Shawna for being able to be of service at the the Awareness Day past week end. He also asked for the Reps to please take to their Homegroups that there is a new facility just opening and they are looking for Meetings for all seven days. We are in need of Chairs and Co Chairs and speakers. He handed out forms and requesting that they PLEASE take to their home-groups and to bring them back filled out next month of those that are wanting to be of service in this matter.

CORRECTIONS COORDINATOR: Morgan said that the 2018 Corrections Conference will be in Tucson March 16-17. Registration is \$12.00.

He also stated that he has a couple positions at 3 St & Maryland, Please let him know if you are interested in more info regarding this commitment.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

NOTE:

*In even months reports from Hospitals and Treatment will be presented.
In odd Months Corrections and Prisons will present their reports.*

HOSPITALS EAST: Aaron Not reporting this month.

HOSPITALS WEST: Morgan Not reporting this month.

TREATMENT CENTERS: Tracey Not reporting this month.

COMMUNITY BRIDGES WEST: Matt Not reporting this month.

COMMUNITY BRIDGES EAST: Georgia Not reporting this month.

MCSO: Shawna said that Two years of sobriety for a volunteer ID Badge (full access & may chair solo) or one year of sobriety for a volunteer Gate Pass (must go in with a badged volunteer).

ALL applicants must be Off Paper:

- At least 1 year since serving a term of **probation or parole**; or since incarcerated on any charge *ó even if the charge is dismissed*.

- At least 1-year after incarceration resulting from a **misdemeanor** conviction.

- *At least 3 years after incarceration resulting from a **felony** conviction. The temporary 90 day "Gate Pass" can be completed **electronically** & issued by the MCSO Volunteer Coordinator, Bridget Mack less than a week.*

The full requirements application and opportunities are on line at VWHI under volunteers tab.

VWHI has approximately 100 badged volunteers however both male and female volunteers are still needed to use their current badges or gate passes. Please contact the individual jail coordinators or Shawna and will put you in contact with current chairs who could use support. Ideally we could like 2 chairs per meeting and standby list of people willing to come in and speak or cover as needed,

SPANISH VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED and we have a new Spanish Liaison Salvador.

TOWERS – ESTELLA: Shawna said that Towers has requested a Spanish AA Meeting which will be handled by Salvador. Both jails have been authorized for AA Conference approved DVDs & CD Speaker recordings. This is a great way to add variety to meetings but nothing equals to the personal commitment of one alcoholic speaking to another.

SPANISH: Javier not here and no report.

DURANGO: JJ said Not much to report from Durango Jail for this month. Only 1 new meeting that will start on Saturday, November 18th at Durango Jail. Only 5 meetings for 1,400 inmates every week, and the Programs Co-coordinator seems to believe that is enough. As always, it is a privilege to be of service.

LOWER BUCKEYE - 4TH AVENUE: Aaron B. said that two months ago he said that there are still two meeting slots that no one has stepped up to fill which are Monday between 3-7 PM, Saturday between 12-7 PM, and Sunday between 1-6 PM.

Thursday between 2-7 PM, Saturday between 8:00 AM-7 PM, Sunday between 10 AM-6 PM.

PHOENIX WEST: August not here and no report.

FEDERAL CORRECTIONS: Bootsie not here and no report.

ALHAMBRA: Tony said that all meetings are going well. He said that they had a volunteer from our Friday meeting step down. He said that they finally got two new volunteers cleared and are currently taking meetings on Tuesday and Fridays. He mailed in time ticket for the month of October to Chaplin Anderson. They are still looking for a women volunteer for prison meeting. Requirements are two years of Sobriety and three years off paper. They can ALWAYS use move volunteers.

JUVENILE CORRECTIONS: Aaron for Bre nothing new to report.

LEWIS: OPEN

FLORENCE: John said the Florence corrections facilities include 1 county, 3 state, 2 federal and 4 private prisons. These complexes in all house roughly 22,000 inmates. A maximum of forty four meetings are held by AA volunteer each week, at least one outside AA facilitated meeting in every unit weekly. An additional fifteen (informal) meetings are held weekly by the inmates themselves. All groups are registered at GSO with inmates as GSRs and outside AAs as alternates. All groups are structured with an elected GSR, Chairman, Secretary, Librarian, and Greeter.

The last meeting of the month is designated as the birthday meeting at which sobriety medallions are awarded followed by an inmate speaker.

We have forty-seven badged volunteers with twenty four more in process. Several of our volunteers are also CCA, GEO and PCSO badged.

Back to Basics workshop are scheduled to resume in the Florence Central and North Units on November 16 and continue through January 4 2018.

Meetings have resumed at the Eyman/Rynning Unit and are scheduled to be resumed at the Florence/East Unit in roughly two weeks.

We have acquired a dedicated ETV channel for broadcasting AA talks and videos to all inmates 24/7. Broadcast material is currently being uploaded to the server.

Florence Complexes volunteers group conscience meetings are held on the first Sunday of the month at 2:00 PM at the Road to Recovery Meeting room and guests are welcome.

PERRYVILLE: Lilly not present and no report.

SERVICE LIAISON: Aaron B. said that as the ServiceLiasion he has the opportunity to steer people toward being of service for Valley-wide H&I Committee and steering the professional community toward their proper point of contact. If you or anyone you know has a question about being of service and you are not sure about who you might want to speak to about it then give them a call or email.

Over the last month most of this position's duties were in the last couple of weeks. Ive tried to assist members of AA to be of service to confined alcoholics and I've had one health care professional contact us looking for a meeting to be brought us into their facility.

As I let you all know last month Agua Fria Intergroup asked us to help with the Christmas Alacathon. I was recently surprised to learn that the spot we are hosing on December 25th is the slot directly before the main speaker meeting. Last month there was a sign up sheet passed for people who might be willing to help out and we got 2 people to volunteer. Remember we will be choosing the speaker ONLY from the people who are there to help out. This is an opportunities to be of service in many ways. First and foremost think about the newcomer alcoholics who need somewhere to be on Christmas Morning. Then realize it's not always the newcomer whose home is not safe place to be. Since we (Valley-wide H&I) have the opportunity to host the meeting just before the Alacathons Main Speaker Meeting then the topic we present will have the opportunities to reach more people. So the question is what are you doing on Christmas to be of service?

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR: Alvin said that if you are representing a home group to please fill out a form and make sure that you return it to him. Reason is that he is building data base for all of the new home group Members.

BRIDGE THE GAP: Ashley said that they has 20 Dark Zip Codes were are 85014 80217 85019 85031 85041 85043 85045 85050 85054 85213 85220 85236 85249 85255 85264 85307 85353 85355 85361 85387. If you or you know someone that lives in one of the above Zip Codes and would like to be of service for Bridge the Gap please let Ashley know. She said that their next meeting is scheduled on Nov 30 at another new venue. This time they will be meeting at Nobs Dinner. Please be their at 6 for Dinner and Meeting will be at 7.

INTERGROUP

SPANISH: Javier not present and no report.

AGUA FRIA: George not present and no report.

EAST VALLEY: Roxanne said that Area 03 will be producing a PSA to be played on the radio stations up north for the Navajo Nation in their native language. Durning the Holidays the District will be spending \$1000 on PSA slots through local radio stations through out the Valley. The current issue of Box 459 discusses the importance of service offices and local intergroup in the past present and the future. (Copies available).

EVI Office Manager went to ICOAA Seminar in September, Richard P-Class B Trustee; AA World Services Chair reports that GSO receives 90,000 pieces of correspondence a year ALL OF WHICH IS ANSWERED. Literature sales are up for 2017. In 2015 66% of all services were paid for by contributions that number is now 85%. There is no literature price increase in the foreseeable future, GSO has seen a 10% increase in contributions and a 5% decrease in expenses in the last year.

Houston Intergroup has reported that they received more literature and funds for hurricane relief than they could use. So in the spirit of passing it on they are getting in touch with the Puerto Rico Central Office to send it on to them.

EVTS Thanksgiving Alacathon will be from Noon on Wednesday Nov 22 until noon on Friday Nov 24. Meetings will be held on the odd hour. It will be held at the Antioch Church 1125 N Dobson Rd Chandler AZ 85224.

Nominations for Vice Chair Secretary and two Steering Committee Liaisons will be taken in November and elections will be in December.

The proposed budget for 2018 for EVI was presented as a seconded motion from the Steering Committee. Group Reps will now take it back to their groups with either questions or be ready to vote on.

SALT RIVER: Zee not present and no report.

OLD BUSINESS:

OPEN POSITIONS

LEWIS:

* National Corrections Conference St.. Louis, Mo November 10-12, 2017

No report at this time.

* Any Old Business from the floor

NEW BUSINESS:

Nominations for Steering Committee.

Chairperson JJ and Roxanne

Co Chairperson Harold W

Secretary Katie H

Treasurer

Awareness Day

Literature Keith

Web servant Eric F

Treatment Coordinator Eric S

Corrections Coordinator

We went around the room and for those that were celebrating birthdays since we last meet.

Happy Birthday to you all.

Meeting was closed at 8:14 PM with the Responsibility Declaration.

Yours in Service

Tracey J. M.