

Valleywide Hospitals and Institutions Meeting Minutes
Central Church, A United Methodist Community East Dining Room
1875 North Central Avenue Phoenix Arizona 85004
Website: www.vwhi.org
Wednesday February 14, 2018

Open: 7:06

Serenity Prayer

Reading of the 12th Tradition

Introduction of the new H&I Home Group Reps:

Scott – West Valley Recovery, Peter – 6pm Rush Hour Crossroads East, Ivy – Friday Night

Newcomers at Fellowship Hall, Sandra – SRI, Jennifer - 11am Crossroads, Ryan – Tempe Bloopers,

Amy – EVI, Reggie – Morning Serenity, Sean – 5am Mens Group, Allysa – Vicious Cycle, Genie –

Sisters in Sobriety, Bryan, Nancy - EVI

Announcement from the Chair: Aaron D.

Welcome

DO NOT SMOKE on church property/must smoke on street

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CO CHAIRPERSON: JJ 480 248 5674

Filling H&I Awareness day position right now – NEEDS HELP

Tentatively scheduled for May 19th

Coordinators: please email or text reports to JJ before meeting

SECRETARY: Katy

Tracy: motion to accept minutes, Harold second. No opposed.

TREASURER: Dennis

In the midst of trying to re-do the whole system – couldn't get program to work, had to manually do the work so don't mind the 0s but the group contributions are correct.

Can we post corrections conference CDs to the website? Dennis thinks they are awesome.

Robert motion to accept treasurer's report – Harold second, no opposed on treasurer's report

Bootsie asked if all \$89k from 2017 was spent – Dennis: yes, it was.

LITERATURE: Keith

\$6,298.20 – 886 books. \$6,300 budget

Monday March 5th for next book orders

'Freedom outside and inside the wall' flyer –Area 3 corrections conference in Tucson passed around

AWARENESS DAY: (open position)

WEB SERVANT: Eric F.

webservant@vwhi.org

contact form may not have been working as of Jan 24th

no longer forwarding email to ensure anonymity - Eric will show any coordinator not yet set up

recent laws about privacy bring in to question our tradition of anonymity – signal for texting is encrypted and secure. Please consider using.

Working on setting up new accounting platform – will be able to start generating reports

TREATMENT COORDINATOR: Eric S.

please return forms Eric handed out last month to Eric

treatment_chair@vwhi.org

480 270 2511

can help with technical set up for any coordinators

anyone who would like to be of service to H&I, please see Eric after the meeting – will add you to email distribution of service opportunities

CORRECTIONS COORDINATOR: Bootsie

planning workshop for corrections coordinators so please let her know – no one has been in touch

602 730 2730

corrections_chair@vwhi.org

passing around March 16 – 18 area 3 corrections conference – Keith passed around flyer. Still federal corrections coordinator and REALLY needs someone to take over that position, even just temporarily. don't need to be badged, don't need to be female. Not that much to do but really needs to offload.

7:24pm

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

Everything is going well. Still trying to put list together of who is taking in what meetings to what facility. **If you know someone who is taking someone to a meeting to an east valley facility – please let aaron know asap.** He lost all contact info and needs to start getting it back

602 760 9492

HOSPITALS WEST: Morgan

no report

TREATMENT CENTERS: Tracey

detox in east mesa emailed looking for 12 steps meeting, M-F at 7pm. NEED TO FILL

footprints to recovery

1132 south oakland in mesa

4808592273

Orangewood and 16th street – still in waiting process, until that is completed, we need to hold of on scheduling meetings and finding people to be of service

COMMUNITY BRIDGES WEST: Matt

not present

**COMMUNITY BRIDGES EAST: Georgia
not present**

MCSO: Shawna

Annual Renewal Training – if you are currently badged (unless issued after September 2017) & missed the Tuesday, February 6th, you have until mid-March to take a make-up class or your badge will be suspended. Call Bridget Mack to RSVP: 602.876.7207

- Thursday, Feb. 22 at 5pm
- Wednesday, Feb. 28 at 5pm
 - Lower Buckeye Jail: **3250 West Lower Buckeye Rd, 85009** (E of 35th Ave on W Lower Buckeye Rd) in the Custody Support Division Training Room
Enter the jail through the “Employees Only” entrance by ringing the buzzer, announce that you are attending “volunteer training.” Take the elevator to level 2 & follow the signs to the training room.
- Saturday, March 3 at 8am – **MCSO Training Center: 2627 S 35th Ave, 85009**
(E of 35th, between Durango & Lower Buckeye)

MCSO is updating the Volunteer Handbook & it will be finalized & distributed soon.

Key points:

- New dress code: NO shorts, capris allowed, closed toed shoes
- All volunteers need to be on the volunteer rosters at each jail & listed for the Control Desk– contact the jail coordinators if unsure your names are listed at the jails – even on if you only go in occasionally
- Call the Control desk if you’re going unable to attend your mtg – **even if you have a sub in place, they need to know who’s coming**, call if you’ll be late & end mtgs on time
 - Control Desk’s #s for each jail are listed in the back of your handbook

March training dates for NEW volunteers will be set by next week & posted on vwhi.org

Best way to send application for volunteers (new or renewals) is by emailing directly to Bridget Mack at B_Mack@MCSO.Maricopa.gov (instead of snail mail / fax). Please contact me when you’ve sent your paperwork in & I will send your VWHI Sponsorship letter directly to her. You are welcome email paperwork to me as well, I can verify everything correct & included before emailing to Bridget.

AA Mtgs for the MOSAIC program at the Estrella Support Bldg (formerly Tent City) are now taking place. Both male & female volunteers are needed, but must meet the following criteria:

- •Chairs must have been badged for a year or more & are experienced in chairing at the Maricopa County jails
- •All volunteers are required through the MCSO Liaison for scheduling & chairing per Bridget Mack & Correctional Health Services
- More info on the flyer!

Red flyer on back table is for new Estrella facility – must have had badge for a year or more, please see shawna with questions

mcsol Liaison@vwhi.org

972 741 1322

7:39pm

SPANISH: Salvadore A. – 623-204-8419

Guadalupe | 623 764 8331 – 4 years in estrella, her and her daughter taking a meeting. District 16. number is correct. The Spanish Corrections Committee meets twice on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 7p-8:30p at the Spanish Intergroup Office located at 2720 E. Thomas Rd., building B #180. The Spanish institutions committee conducts meeting at the treatment center “Volviendo a Vivir” at 3634 W. Taylor, Phoenix. Meetings are Monday night from 7p-9p

DURANGO: JJ/new rep (not reporting this month)

TOWERS – ESTELLA: Shawna (not reporting this month)

LOWER BUCKEYE - 4TH AVENUE: Aaron B. (not reporting this month)

PHOENIX WEST: August (not reporting this month)

FEDERAL CORRECTIONS: Bootsie (not reporting this month)

ALHAMBRA: Tony (not reporting this month)

JUVENILE CORRECTIONS: Bre (not reporting this month)

LEWIS: (open position)

FLORENCE: John (not reporting this month)

PERRYVILLE: Lilly/new rep (not reporting this month)

SERVICE LIAISON: Aaron B.

thanks to eric for his web servant work

lots of contacts through vwhi.org website

3 months – 25 years of sobriety

one homegroup is flexible and would like to be of service

some facilities are still waiting

Haven – seniors horizon - 7th ave downtown: 1201 S> 7th Ave #200, Phoenix, 85007 – Needs 2 meetings a week ASAP

maricopa medical center – behavioral annex – 2619 E. Pierce St., Phoenix 85008

narcotics anonymous sent a note to one of our contacts: thanks we’ve trying to reinstate aa meetings in our phoenix facility since november.

Therapist in phoenix: wants to invite aa members to hold meetings at his facility.

^clinical director at havens emailed and asked for 2 weekly aa meetings

this position is open for election at the end of this meeting, its a critical position for helping distribute requests and get inquiries and service opps to the right people

eric will set up the email on vwhi website to make it clear that if you are an institution and need service, the email should be directed towards service liaison.

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR: Alvin

BRIDGE THE GAP: Ashley

BTG – connects people just leaving institutions with active members of AA who can take them to meetings within the first 48 hours

last thursday of every month – if you are interested in being of service, sign up at the back

workshop: march 31 – 1:30p-3:30p at glendale fellowship hall, 8910 n 43rd ave in glendale. Pizza, snacks, presentaitons, a good time! Flyers in back, please bring back to homegroup

Bookmarks, rack cards – if you are bringing in meetings, please talk up BTG

books already have bookmarks with BTG info – need more people to bring BTG literature to prison and treatment center meetings

Maricopa re-entry program: taking 6 meetings a week, sunday – friday nights. Tuesday and friday nights are speaker meetings.

623 734 0151 – pat

INTERGROUPS

SPANISH:

AGUA FRIA: George

AFI day in the park – march 3 – rio vista community park in peoria, 10a-3p

2 aa speakers, al anon speaker, raffle, volleyball. \$8/adults, 4/children. Aawestphoenix.org to buy tickets. No sales at park so get tickets in advance.

Has requested H&I to come out and share message – set up table and share opportunities of service* family camp out and fishing derby – april 13, 14 and 15. bartlet lake . Fellowship, chili cook off, fishing derby.

Service workshop at fellowship hall – june 2 - flyers availabl enext month. Topic will be 12th step call.

Committee chair positions open – newsletter.

interrgoup meeting: first tuesday of the month – march 6th

EAST VALLEY: Amy

here! But nothing to report

SALT RIVER: Sandra

here! But nothing to report

OLD BUSINESS:

1) Durango coordinator (JJ stepping down to be on steering committee) – no one standing sobriety requiremdent – 2 years of sobriety. Liaison between facility and all badged people who take meetings into facility.

2) Perryville (Lilly) stepping down – no one standing

3) Volunteer Coordinator position – not open yet but think about

4) Treasurer position open - Shawna: nominated Robert. Bootsie: made motion to allow Dennis to serve 2nd term. Agrees to nomination. But noted that process and tools need to be updated.

JJ: makes motion to allow an exception for dennis to serve another term. Tracy seconds. Aaron calls for a vote: no one opposed. Motion carries. Dennis is Treasurer.

5) H&I Awareness Day position open – Allyssa nominated herself. Nancy nominated herself, from EVI. Amy, nomiated herself sort of, by herself – H&I awareness.

Aaron calls for vote. Amy is named H&I awareness day chair.

6) Lewis open

* Any Old Business from the floor

NEW BUSINESS:

Federal Corrections position is now open (Bootsie stepping down) – coordinates with chaplain for womens facilities, get literature and coordinate meetings. Let people who need training know and coordinate with them. Womens camp is through H&I but men’s meetings go through area 3.

Service Liaison:

Tracy Moreland interested in standing. Withdraws

Aaron nominated again

Melissa nominated herself

takes pressure off chair person to steer aa members and professionals to appropriate points of contact (ie steering committee members or coordinators)

getting the word out about H&I and the need for service

Aaron calls for a vote: Melissa named as Service Liaison.

Motion to close

CLOSE: 8:25p

BIRTHDAYS

RESPONSIBILITY DECLARATION