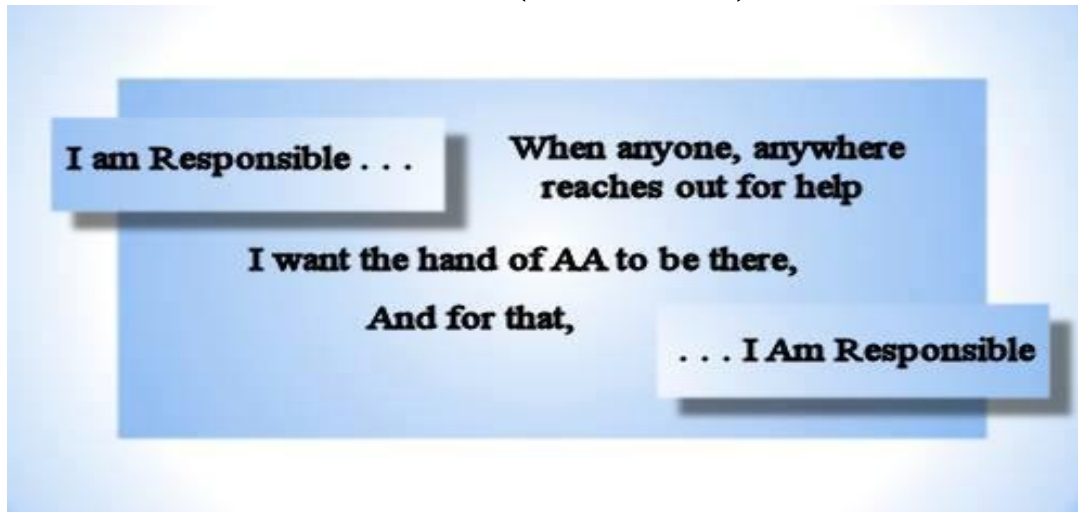


PAI MEETING

(06/08/15)



PREAMBLE: PAI Inc is a nonprofit corporation which provides an AA Central Office. The purpose is to encourage mutual support and cooperation between groups in the Portland Metro community. The Central Office carries out certain functions common to all groups: maintain 12 Step Hotline, publish meeting schedules, provide website of events and local meetings, maintain service committees, AA literature and supplies, and the annual picnic. We're here to help you carry the message to the alcoholic who still suffers.

BOARD: Dave A., Garry, Willy, Matt, Jason, Madeleine, Don, Roger (Kathryn not present)

COMMITTEES:

Meeting was opened by Dave A. with the Serenity Prayer at 7:05 p.m.

PREAMBLE – Read by Dave

TRADITIONS: Zach read the 12 Traditions.

NEW IGRs: Please come up to table after meeting! (My apologies but I misplaced the sign up sheet)

Joe, Upstairs 5:30

Joe, Recharge group

Jeff, Monday Parkrose

Ram, Firehouse

Chris, Smith and Wilson

Keri, SOS

BIRTHDAYS: *Congratulations* to everyone for your achievements!!

Courtney, 1 year

Tina, 90 days

MINUTES – Kristi made motion to approve, Cherie made second. Approved by the body.

TREASURER’S REPORT & 7th TRADITION: Roger W.

Total receipts of \$15,262.55 and total expenses of \$17,070.19, loss of \$1,807.47. Operating cash balance of \$10,326.44. Will be moving \$500 to prudent reserve as it had been decided to try and move \$500 each quarter to prudent reserve.

Motion to approve by Megan, second by Dale. Passed.

OFFICE REPORT: Garry B. – We have two volunteer openings at the office. Wednesday afternoon from 1-5 and Friday mornings from 9am to 1pm.

CHAIR REPORT: (Kathryn S. absent)–

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

TREATMENT (*Bringing AA into treatment facilities*): Jim H. (not present)– 503-936-xxxx Email: pdxctf@----.com –Contact Jim for more information. Report given by Mike. Looking for a group to take meeting into St. Vincent’s behavioral health 1st and 3rd Sundays of every month, 6-7pm.
Committee meets before PAI meeting

PUBLIC INFORMATION (*Informing the public how AA works and answering requests for information on AA*): James is new PI chair. Had NARA PI event and went well. James also made some other contacts for future events and needs volunteers.

CPC (*Cooperation with the Professional Community*) (*Contacts professionals and give them information on how AA can help their clients including clergy, teachers, social workers, ER doctors, etc.*) Skip is CPC chair. We provide information to these professionals on what AA does and does not do. Kaiser treatment program stocked with small displays with appropriate information on Alcoholics Anonymous.

BRIDGING THE GAP (*Connecting people in treatment to AA meeting when they get out*): Mike W. (503-330-xxxx) Contact at pdxbtg@----.com. This committee reaches out to individuals who are coming out of treatment into the community, get them to a meeting, and help them feel welcome. We have cards that can be given to patients when taking a meeting into treatment and we also have a flyer with more information. For more information, please contact Mike.
Committee meets prior to PAI at 6:30pm.

CORRECTIONS (*AA meetings inside the walls*) Ransom S –(not present) Need two years of sobriety and three years off paper. Desperately need volunteers and money. Announce the need for volunteers and people have stepped up. Takes about 6 months to complete process.

HOTLINE (*The direct connection number to AA for the still suffering alcoholic*): – 503.575.xxxx Email: 1212@pdxaa.com – subject line: Hotline. Paul, new hotline coordinator.

Says this job feels like wrestling an octopus but feels like he has six of the legs tucked away. Has been working on contacting and purging the list for accuracy but always needs weekend shifts. Please announce at your home group if anyone is interested in helping.

NEWSLETTER (*Sharing stories, poems and articles about AA for information and enjoyment to our members*): David B. – newsletter@pdxaa.com. (not present)

WEBSITE (*Connecting members and the still suffering alcoholic with information about meeting and events*): Leona gave brief update. The website was sorting alphabetically but that has been changed to follow week. We also have a new map “around me” function to find meetings around you.

Picnic Chair – Rick, will have meeting on one Tuesday night a month to plan picnic. Invites all new IGRs to be a part of the committee. Picnic will be August 23rd

Rick apologized, he has been out of town for work and is actively recruiting volunteers for committee. This Thursday, June 11th at the Intergroup office at 7:00pm, he will have meeting to start planning. His number is on the flyer. We have 750 flyers for groups to take back. Rick.H@----.com is his personal email.

Open Positions: none

Events (*Plan and coordinate events as needed*)

Greeter – would like to have at least one greeter for three to six months

OLD BUSINESS – Portland Area Intergroup Speaker Meeting proposal. Information is on back table.

Discussion:

Cherie, Sandy Discovery Group, would vote against it because her home group has speaker meeting that second Saturday.

Jason J. clarified that this item is open for discussion. This has not been decided, we are wanting to increase awareness and participation in service to Alcoholics Anonymous.

Megan, questioned whether we were continuing the quarterly potluck? Answer is no.

Vivian, her group thought raffle should be separate from speaker meeting and that another speaker meeting might detract from other meetings.

Tina, would we still be passing basket? Answer is yes.

Sandy, what is experience of other meetings? Jason-OBs breaks even, it goes up and down but we cover our costs.

Scott, would this conflict with other meetings? Why a speaker?

Rick – thinks more meetings don't conflict but enhance the fellowship. This would help the fellowship understand what Intergroup does and how to be involved. Money shouldn't be the issue. This is about taking this information back to the groups.

Cherie – Supports the job fair idea and the speaker meeting helps draw people that might not come to a service event.

Byron, thinks a small potluck would help and maybe not need a big speaker meeting.

Callie, aren't we trying to build up a prudent reserve?

Jason – feels this event will bring contributions in. Roger reiterated that the information will bring contributions into Intergroup.

Skip, asked if we could piggy back on existing speaker meetings?

Megan, reiterated that maybe we could piggyback with those speaker meetings?

Jason, some churches don't allow us to set up tables in the lobby. Jason and Madeleine will research with OBs.

Asked groups to take back and we will discuss

NEW BUSINESS:

None

Motion to adjourn, seconded.

DRAWING – Tim R.

Closed with Responsibility Statement.

Respectfully submitted

Madeleine J P.

Recording Secretary

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Any Submitted Reports Go Here

CPC REPORT MAY 2015 – for PAI by Skip A., CPC Chair

Greetings Portland Area Intergroup trusted servants –

My name is Skip A and I am an alcoholic. My SOB is 7/7/94 and I am grateful to be serving as your new CPC Chair. This is my report for May 2015.

For those of you who may not know, CPC stands for Cooperation With the Professional Community. This committee provides AA information to those who, because of their profession tend to come into contact with the more still suffering alcoholics through the application of their occupations; such as lawyers, doctors, clergy, military, nurses, and psychologists. They are often able to benefit from general AA information (ie, what we do and DON'T do as AAs), as well as information relevant just to alcoholics.

After announcing CPC service opportunities at my home group, 2 volunteers have made themselves available to for just about anything. In fact, an Hispanic woman who is a certified Spanish Interpreter/Translator asked me how to get in touch with Area to render her services; so I sent out a email to our Area trusted servant for Translation with her contact information. Another 2 males made themselves known to me of their interest in attending prison meetings, so I got them our PAI Officer, Ransom's, phone number to them for that purpose.

Earlier I had reported my intention to stock the Kaiser Addictions Counseling center with a large rack of literature. Since then, it has become apparent they intended to use the rack for purposes other than just AA. I was a little tentative about how to proceed so I consulted with Garry and my Service Sponsor in gaining some useful support and guidance. So I drove into PAI offices to procure smaller cardboard display racks from Garry that can be used effectively. These will hold the necessary amount of AA literature for Kaiser's business lobby without using an entire metal literature rack. I only needed to buy some Avery labels to get our AA logo and local contact info placed on the display racks with a professional look. I also gathered some more generic AA literature from Garry for use by the alcoholics that professionals serve.

I now have more ability to visit Metro area districts due to a work schedule change, so hopefully, I'll be able to be front of them to describe CPC and recruit more volunteers. A document listing annual local events, which I received from Anita, seems to be in too small a font for me to read it well, so I'm working on getting a more readable version to use in planning presentations and booths.

I ran into James, our PI Chair, and had an animated discussion about getting together to brainstorm and share service experiences to bring each other up to date. We haven't really spoken much for the past 2-3 years so it was really great to see him again. It's always a bright spot in my day when I my journey leads me to those I've known or worked with in service or with whom I just attended meetings.

If any of you are interested in leading a CPC Committee for your Home group or District, or only being a volunteer for activities related to the CPC Committee, please contact me and I'll help you achieve your objective.

I am grateful for the opportunity to be of service to PAI, the CPC focus, and the still suffering alcoholic. It's through service I get another opportunity to repay the sobriety I have received through AA and our fellowship.

Yours in Love and Sobriety,

Skip A – 503-539-xxxx, skip@-----.com

CPC Chair – PAI

May 2015

