

September 6, 2023, Steering Committee Meeting Notes

Meeting held Wednesday, September 6, 2023 (Hybrid)

Meeting opened at 7:00pm

Serenity Prayer

Introductions- Name, Position, Home Group, and recent Anniversary

Attendees: 25

Rachel - Chairperson

Jay – Vice-Chairperson

Mark – Archives Director

Dave – Assistant Treatment Director

Sam – Assistant PI Director

Maggie – Philadelphia Alternate Zone Coordinator

Sharon – Secretary

Paul – Assistant Interphones Director

Charlie – Assistant Prisons Director

Luke – Treatment Director

Stephanie – Assistant Treasurer

Michelle – CPC Director

Jon – Assistant Secretary

Jim B. – Treasurer

Steve – PI Director

Fran – Office Manager

Mike H – Assistant CPC Director

Mike Q – Assistant Unity Director

Lindsey – Bucks County Alternate Zone Coordinator

Tiara – Unity Director

Spencer – Philco Zone Coordinator

Brian – Montco Alternate Zone Coordinator

Jim B. – Delco Zone Coordinator

Kirsten – Chester County Zone Coordinator

Frank – Prisons Director

Read Tradition 11 – read by Jay – discussion and comments provided by Steve S. and Spencer

Read Concept 11 – read by Rachel, Frank and Charlie – discussion and comments provided by Steve S

Motion to approve prior month's meeting minutes, seconded, and approved

REPORTS

Chairperson (Rachel)

The nominees were approved for slate; vote will be held month (October) at the zone meetings. Details on voting will be provided at the next Steering Committee meeting. Baskets are need for the Gratitude Breakfast. These are donated by meeting groups. Thank you to the Nominating Committee Members for their service in interviewing and selecting the slate.

Vice-Chairperson (Jay)

Participated in 3 Nominating Committee meetings. Thank you to the committee. Lots of Gratitude Breakfast tickets are still available. Flyers will be available to hand out at the zone meetings. IGRs, we need group baskets. Let the office know if your group will be donating one. We will be selling 2023 Round Up merch, 50/50 and Raffle Basket tickets. There will be no on-line raffle baskets. The scheduled speaker is Mark P.

SEPIA Office Manager (Fran)

Gratitude Breakfast – If tickets were purchased and no email was received, please call the office. Fran will print and mail them. Please bring the Group Baskets to the breakfast or drop them off at the office. Looking to hire an IT Website Assistant. Literature sales are up! Please continue to update meeting changes.

Finance (Stephanie)

Mapping is incorrect; on-line store to be reviewed/corrected. Stephanie has been visiting the committee meetings to help with the budget planning. Please send budget information to Stephanie. Need to find a new tax preparer. Currently 10% over max on prudent reserve recommendation. Will continue to monitor it.

Archives (Mark P)

Limited participation in 2 meetings. Reviewed DVD and want to redo “AA in Philadelphia”.

CPC (Mike)

New people are joining the committee. Students will be back in August. Probation Officer spoke and did a Q&A at the last CPC meeting. Looking to expand beyond medical students to HR and the Pharmaceutical community.

Interphones & HSSH– (Paul)

Thank you to Frank for helping with the computer. 18 open slots need to be filled; need volunteers; flyers to be handed out at the zone meetings. Please talk if up at the zone meetings. Upcoming training scheduled for Wednesday Night.

Prisons & Temporary Contacts (Mac)

Temporary Contacts need help. Can bring literature in person to the Federal Detention Center (FDC). sd

Public Information (Steve S.)

AA packets are being distributed to seniors and churches. Working on list of universities; may be sending literature to them; sending an introduction letter and will follow-up. Five (5) billboards in Philadelphia next month. Need HSSHH volunteers for senior centers. Admin office of PA Courts wants to help with questions.

Special events (Jay)

Round Up 2024 – March 8-10, 2024. If you liked something at Showboat, let the committee know and they will try to do it at The Grand. Jay to view the Grand renovations. Bingo Night has been postponed until after the Round Up; tentatively trying for April or May 2024.

Treatment (Dave)

All commitments filled. Philco is expanding commitments to Stapley Center. The vote on Belmont has been tabled.

Unity (Tiara)

Annual BBQ is scheduled for June 23, 2024; pavilion is reserved and paid for. QR code on Unity sign-up sheets.

Workshops:

September 9th at 7:00am-Flourtown Eye opener–St Thomas Church, Ft Washington

September 13, 2023 at 10:00 am-New Freedom Glenside Center, Glenside

September 16, 2023 UNITY WORKSHOP-12 NOON - 4PM

September 24, 2023 – East Falls BB at 7PM

Web/Tech (Steve S.)

Carrie K may be hired to build new website for SEPIA; SEPIA is requesting a proposal. Finance needs additional proposals. Ideas (1) Webtech should be assigned its own Director, (2) Create a part-time office staff position to support the website. Fran has a candidate.

Bucks County Zone (Andrea)

All positions are filled. Need alternate liaisons positions filled. Going for Eastern Young “PA” bid.

Chester County Zone (Kirsten)

43 IGS in attendance. Filled liaison positions; no alternate liaison positions filled. Going for Eastern Young “PA” bid.

Delaware County Zone (Jim)

Going for Eastern Young “PA” bid.

Montgomery County Zone (Brian)

Thirty-five people in attendance. Five (5) open liaison positions; need alternates. All commitments were filled.

Philadelphia County Zone (Spencer)

Spoke to zone about Tradition 1. Philco donated prior "Pizza Money" fund to the Gratitude Breakfast. Vote on Belmont was tabled. Took on new commitments.

OLD BUSINESS

SEPIA office selling AA Chips – Fran called around to other AA offices, some sell them and some do not.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to sell AA Chips at the SEPIA Office was tabled until next month. Fran to gather information regarding costs, profits, etc.

Motion to close, seconded and approved

Meeting Closed at 8:18PM with the Responsibility Pledge

Next Meeting - Wednesday October 4, 2023-7PM-Hybrid