

Tri-County Meeting Minutes

January 21, 2018

- Meeting opened by chairperson Patty R. at 12:07
- Traditions read by group
- Minutes taken by Nicole M.
- Voting quorum: 15

Attendees: Julie S.; Carrie D.; Robert M.; Greg K.; Elaine Y.; Dave M.; Tom B.; Paul M.; Claude K.; Tommy S.; Angela R.; Emily E.; Ed T.; Doug L.; Ed B.; Michelle B.; Jan C.; Karla B.; Cheri Z.; Colleen S.; Mark O.; Nicole M.; Patty R.; Matt E.

New IRs: None.

Birthdays: None.

Secretary: Minutes read by Nicole M. Corrections: Matt O. to be changed to Mark O. in treasurer's report. Motion to accept by Emily E. Seconded by Doug L. Approved by group.

Treasurer: Report presented by Mark O. Motion to accept by Dave M. Seconded by Emily E. Approved by group.

Committee Reports:

- All committee reports were tabled until next month's meeting.

Unfinished Business:

- Bob M. proposed we switch to Webphone for our 12th step call list. This would cost \$50/mo as opposed to our current arrangement that costs us \$205.73/mo. Service would ring multiple people's cell phones at once and whoever picks their phone up first answers the call. A landline can be added later for a one-time fee of \$115 but internet service would be required. People can volunteer for time slots and durations via our 12th step call list. Extensions can be added. The same number can be ported that we've had and can be programmed into the volunteer's phone so they can check the caller ID and know it's a 12th step call coming in. It needs to be checked if there are contracts we'd have to break with Centurylink and Amcom. Patty R. will follow up on this. Ed T. made a motion that we switch over to the \$50 service starting immediately and table the \$115 land line. Seconded by Nicole M. Opposed by Julie S. and Matt E. Julie would like to see a 12th step committee formed to maintain this new service. Matt E. believes the technology associated with this service is too advanced and wouldn't be able to be accurately maintained. Revote was taken with 12 in favor and 3 opposed. Motion passed by majority vote. Bob M. will initiate the transfer.
- Colleen S. stood for treasurer position. Gave a brief introduction. Motion to approve by Matt E. Seconded by Julie S. Approved by group.
- Opportunity given for anyone to stand for office manager position. Carrie D and Emily E. read position descriptions from our bylaws. Michelle B., former office manager, gave an overview of her duties and time in position. No one stood for position. Emily E. made a motion to amend the bylaws to read that it is not a paid position. Seconded by Ed T. No vote taken. Second and new

motion made by Colleen S. to table the first motion and bring it back to our home groups. Seconded by Patty R. Approved by group. Further discussion was had. Carrie D. suggested that we don't change the bylaws but rather match ourselves to them. Ed T. explained that if you want to see an amendment to the bylaws then submit a written proposal to Patty R.

- Discussion had about finding our permanent location. Patty R. explained that the Campus Office is a temporary location to house our meetings until we find a permanent place. She has checked several locations including Welcome Hall (not available) and 212 club (available for \$20/mo). It was suggested that we move to a more central location, such as Wentzville, to encourage participation from District 20 and better fulfill our purpose of unifying all 3 districts. Ed T. spoke with individuals from District 20 and they've expressed their desire to have an office in their area that can also serve as a meeting hall. Julie S. volunteered to find a permanent location in Wentzville. Mark O. expressed that we're not in a position to pay high rent. It was explained that we'd have to change our address on our non-profit forms and business license. Doug L. motioned that we close the meeting knowing that we can use the Campus Office as our temporary location and continue searching for a new location in the meantime. Seconded by Emily E. Opposed by Carrie D. She was concerned that the discussion on our location wouldn't make it back to our groups. Everyone agreed that they'd commit to presenting it to their home groups. Revote was taken. Approved by unanimous vote.

New Business

- Julie S. would like to see a 12th step committee formed that can maintain the call list and update the phone service. It was explained that the office manager would run this if we had one but the committee could be a possibility in the future. Suggested that we bring this back to our groups. Discussion was tabled.

Announcements:

- No time given for announcements.

Meeting adjourned at 1:02 P.M. Closed with the Responsibility Statement.

Next meeting: February 18th at noon at the Campus Office. 2021 Campus Drive, Saint Charles.