

Cooperation with the Professional Community Meeting official Minutes

Date: March 6, 2017

Time: 7:30 PM

Location: Spring Branch Memorial Club, 1200 Blalock Rd. Suite 378, Houston, TX 77055

Call to Order: Serenity Prayer and Reading of the Twelve Traditions completed by Vern.

Introductions: Betsy G., Danae G., Edwin C., Michelle H., Vern P.

CPC Committee Purpose: *Will skip this time as it is part of the reading today in the literature section...*

Review of Minutes: Approved as circulated

Finance Report: No new expenses, 2018 Budget meeting was Feb 18th, looks like we have \$1215.00 available for 2017. Asked for \$1310 for 2018, included and increase for more literature and mail outs.

Chair Report: Vern will order more literature soon to restock inventory. Continuing to update the committee roster so that all members are receiving Vern's emails from his SETA email address. The rest of his report is covered throughout the agenda under old & new business.

District Reports:

- **D32-**District CPC Rep resigned & they are trying to recruit a replacement.
- **D40- NR**
- **D81/82- NR**
- **D90-** Danae reported that she & her alternate are studying the workbook & will meet to go over it to better understand it. Gus H. D90 member received a call from a 'CPS Worker' asking if he could verify attendance at meetings for one of his 'cases', Gus explained our traditions & that he could not, he then hung up. The D90 CPC/PI Committee will try & contact the CPS office to offer a presentation or simply mail some literature, specifically the 'Understanding Anonymity' pamphlet. Vern will send them all of Ms. Smith's contact information regarding the probationer program in Jasper & Hardin Counties for D90 to set up reoccurring presentations.

Upcoming Events:

- Annual Brain Health Fair: March 25th, 9am – 1pm, Brazoria County Fairgrounds, 901 S. Downing Rd, Angleton, TX – Rick and Edwin are attending, all CPC or PI committee members invited.

Literature Review: CPC Workbook, pages 5 – top of 7. Vern read these pages & good discussion on how some of the keys points covered are important to how we fulfill our committee work.

Unfinished/Ongoing Business:

- Committee Project(s) from 2016:
 - Update on mail out – Rick M. – I'll remove from future agendas, but if Rick receives response, add under new business
- Alternate Chair for 2017-18- **OPEN**

- 2017 Projects / Goals:
 - Develop Power Point for future presentations – Vern: received multiple presentations from Betsy, received updated version from GSO. Vern will meet with Rick to develop a first draft & then organize a ‘special’ meeting for the CPC & PI committees to review, finalize & approve.
 - Assembly Workshop- we recapped our status of the planning & explained to the newer members what we are doing
 - Agenda
 - Presentations- reviewed the agenda again
 - Questions for Truth/Dare
 - Bookmarks- 1000 for \$100
 - District 81- they agreed to participate

All of these items are ongoing & will be keep on the agenda

- Newsletters – Poll DCM’s
- Presentations to Districts & of course ongoing new requests
- Invite professionals and professional students to attend an open meeting during assembly, in cooperation with PI Committee – Vern: Attended Spanish Public Information meeting on Sunday with Edwin and Kate. Great event. Received contact information from officer Salvador Corral, HPD, DWI Task Force. Will follow up with him to see if HPD may like a presentation, or other opportunities to work together.
- Focus Items from workbook:
 - Contact local professional schools that train future healthcare, legal/correctional, human resources/employment professionals and offer A.A. presentations.
 - Follow-up with Patty, Lone Star School System
 - Offer to help groups communicate with their landlord about A.A. — often a professional who may deal with alcoholics in the course of their work, such as the pastor of a church.
 - Send sharing on local C.P.C. efforts to G.S.O.

New Business:

- GSC Agenda items (Yellow Highlights indicate Delegate input requested):
 - A. Consider retiring the pamphlet “Three Talks to Medical Societies by Bill W.”
 - Committee supports retiring this pamphlet based on last year’s work & the information from the Archives department on how they will preserve this piece of literature.
 - B. Consider adding a footnote to the pamphlet “Problems Other Than Alcohol.”
 - Committee supports this footnote as stated in proposal
 - C. Consider development of a LinkedIn page for C.P.C. committees.
 - Committee supports the development of this account
 - D. Consider request that the title of the pamphlet “Is there an Alcoholic in the Workplace?” be changed to “Is there a Problem Drinker in the Workplace?”
 - Committee voted to leave it as it is, we do not support the title change.
 - E. Discuss ways of improving communication about A.A. with professionals who come in contact with Armed Services veterans and men and women in the Armed Services.
 - Committee feels the proposing Area has provided great ideas/solutions. We could reach out to the Company & Brigade Commanders to give presentations &

literature to for the required safety courses held weekly. Inform the relative Area standing committee of this need & encourage them to carry out the work through committee discretion. Vern will email this item to everyone for further ideas.

- F. Consider request to add text to the committee's Composition, Scope and Procedure regarding the option to meet by conference call prior to the Annual Meeting of the General Service Conference.
 - Did not discuss no time
- G. Review C.P.C. Kit and Workbook.
 - Did not discuss no time

Announcements:

- Area CPC Meeting – 03/06/2016 (1st Mondays), 7:30pm , Spring Branch Memorial Club (SBMC) 1200 Blalock Rd #378, Houston, TX, 77055 or Go To Meeting:
<https://global.gotomeeting.com/meeting/join/444753277>

Phone: +1 (630) 869-1013 Access Code: 444-753-277

- Area PI Meeting – 03/20/2016 (3rd Mondays), 7:15pm, Spring Branch Memorial Club (SBMC) 1200 Blalock Rd #378, Houston, TX, 77055 or Go To Meeting:
<https://global.gotomeeting.com/meeting/join/918247669>

Phone: + 1 (213) 493-0622 Access code: 918-247-669

- **Close with Responsibility Statement: 9:23 pm**

I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there. And for that I am responsible.