

# Cooperation with the Professional Community Meeting Minutes

Date: July 3, 2017

Time: 7:30 PM

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

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**Call to Order:** Serenity Prayer and Reading of the Twelve Traditions. **7:34**

## Introductions

**CPC Committee Purpose** – *“Members of C.P.C. committees inform professionals and future professionals about A.A.— what we are, where we are, what we can do, and what we cannot do. They attempt to establish better communication between A.A.s and professionals, and to find simple, effective ways of cooperating without affiliating.”* – reprinted from *Cooperation with the Professional Community Workbook*, page 5, with permission from A.A. World Services, Inc.

**Review of Minutes** – **Approved 7:37**

**Finance Report** – *no new expenditures, so far this year we have spent \$375.94, leaving \$839.06 in our budget.*

## Chair Report –

- Short CPC Presentation given to Intergruop, went well. Gave out more Panel meeting invitations and bookmarks
- ARIES event exhibit, Edwin and I attended, and gave out pamphlets, several groups interested in presentations, when I get back in Houston, I'll follow up. For now, sent out a letter and 20 Pamphlets targeting Health Care professionals to UT Physicians in the Heights/Greens area at their request.
- Confirmation on main speaker for panel

**District Reports** (10,20,31,32,33,40,51,52,60,62,63,64,65,66,70,81,82,90) – **82 doing a lot of work in PI, invited a primary care physician to the event and the doc declined but explained that when she was in school she had been sent to meetings, she would pass along the invitation to colleagues;**

## Upcoming Events –

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**CPC Literature References - Online & Downloadable:**

[http://www.aa.org/pages/en\\_US/cooperation-with-the-professional-community-cpc-committees](http://www.aa.org/pages/en_US/cooperation-with-the-professional-community-cpc-committees)

- July 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>, Area Assembly, Panel meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm

**Literature Review:** CPC Workbook, pages 15-17 “Anonymity”

### Unfinished/Ongoing Business:

- Alternate Chair for 2017-18
- 2017 Projects / Goals:
  - Develop Power Point for future presentations – *Vern: received multiple presentations from Betsy, received updated version from GSO.*
  - Presentations to Districts & of course ongoing new requests
    - Requests from Assembly Workshop: 5 Group, 4 District, 1 District just PI
  - Public Information & Professionals Panel meeting (in cooperation with PI Committee):
    - Need to finalize logistics of refreshments:
      - Is AA allowed to bring coffee in? We know if they provide it’s \$65 a gallon, but never got an answer whether we’d be allowed to provided it ourselves or not.
      - If we are allowed, who would supply? Host District, CPC & PI Committees?
      - Who has percolators we could use?
      - *Edwin has percolators and will provide coffee, all we need is permission.*
      - *Michelle says that she will ask about bringing coffee, specifically*
      - *Cookies will be provided. Unsure if they will be homemade or store bought*
      - *Possibility- bring a coffee urn with plunger and fill it in the hospitality suite and bring it into the main room. Cindy has some and she is going to be there. Michelle has volunteered to ask Cindy to bring those.*
      - *Do we want to have signs in the hallways to direct people or do we want greeters? Rick volunteers to stand in hall or in lobby. Michelle will ask the hotel if they are ok with signs on walls or boards. Remind the front desk, concierge that there will probably be people coming, give them some printed flyers to give to guests who come looking for us.*
  - 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 – *Sent e-mail*
      - *Everybody contact two professional schools and invite them -*
    - 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:

- **Anyone have any other New Business?** *No new business*

### Announcements:

- Area CPC Meeting – 08/07/2017 (1<sup>st</sup> 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>

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- Area PI Meeting – 07/17/2017 (3<sup>rd</sup> 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/918247669>

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- **Close with Responsibility Statement:**

*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.*