

**Area 67 Public Information Committee Official Meeting Minutes
August 15, 2016**

Meeting called to order at 7:15 PM

Attendees: Kate E., Deborah G., Michelle H., Mark N., Betsy G., Vern P.

Open Positions: Alt. Chairperson

Secretary's Report: Accepted as submitted.

Treasurer's Report: Accepted as submitted.

District Reports:

- A. D40 – Jim B.
 - a. No attendees at last meeting
- B. Early Bird Group of Kingwood – Mark N.
 - a. Group interest in the Adopt-a-Rack program
 - b. Group Conscience talked about group having PI committee but what is involved?
 - c. Kate is willing to attend the group to give them information about what the PI Committee does
- C. D81 – Meeting Minutes
 - a. Delivered some meeting schedules to hospital
 - b. Display rack on islands throughout churches, hospitals and schools
 - c. Been invited to do a presentation at Moody Methodist Health Fair – Galveston; will do that in September
- D. D32 – Vern P.
 - a. At last meeting further discussion about Adopt-a-Rack
 - b. Distributed more racks at the District meeting; total of 9 distributed at this time
 - c. Consider getting more pamphlets and labels
 - d. Committee decided to change pamphlet “Is AA for Me?” with “Is AA for You?”; it is a cheaper pamphlet and can put more in racks at once
 - e. Adopt-a-Bulletin program; committee has accepted it and have distributed 100 copies at the GSR meeting and 50 copies at the PI/CPC meeting
 - f. Someone at the Heights Group was able to get a high school interested in Big Books in the school; Kate suggested contacting Patrick because it was someone in his home group.

Continuing Business:

- A. Adopt a Rack
 - 1. Distributed a total of 12 racks so far; most distributed at assembly; a couple distributed to members of D40 at the GSR July meeting
 - 2. Have communicated with all members who took a rack and only one has communicated back; that rack is at Interfaith in The Woodlands; member will email the specific address
 - 3. Jackie from D40 has talked to her group about the program and they have asked Kate to come out and talk to them to answer any questions they have
 - 4. Rule 62 is discussing the program at their group conscience tomorrow night
 - 5. Still have 10 racks available; 2 are already stuffed and ready to go

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- B. Trinity Group in Dayton would like a rack?
 - 1. Kate is unsure how to get them a rack
 - 2. Michelle mentioned investing in postage to be able to mail it
 - 3. Kate will look into the cost of mailing it
- C. Spanish Intergroup – August 24th
 - 1. Michelle, Deborah and Vern will possibly be attending with Kate
 - 2. Will communicate via email to further organize it
- D. Buying more racks?
 - 1. Only have \$177 left in budget
 - 2. \$90 will be for the October Assembly
 - 3. If we need more money, need to contact Troy to get more money; approximately \$300
 - 4. Michelle suggested putting a request in for the money; working on getting the remaining racks distributed and then buy the racks for next year unless otherwise needing it
 - 5. All committee members in favor of requesting more money from the assembly

New Business:

- A. Adopt-a-Bulletin
 - a. Post the flyer at various bulletins at Starbucks, grocery stores, etc.
 - b. Marketing suggestions were to tear a few of the number tear-a-ways to make it seem as though a person isn't the first one; limit the amount of questions so it's not so long
 - c. Michelle would like a copy to take it to her home group and district; will put on the October or November agenda at the district; Michelle, Jim and Deborah will present at the district meeting
 - d. Committee decided to limit it to 4 questions and make several versions with different questions
 - e. Deborah and Vern will work on getting them revamped
- B. Grapevine
 - a. Hasn't redeemed the gift certificates yet
 - b. Will contact the Houston Council to see if they would like the subscriptions; if not Kate will contact one of the major hospitals to see if they would be interested
- C. Presentation Opportunity – email sent via Rick
 - a. At a church; either September or November
 - b. Waiting to see what the church says
 - c. Will follow up once more information received

Upcoming Events:

- Next meeting is Monday, September 19th at the Houston Council and is available via Go-To meeting format

Meeting was closed at 8:30 pm with Responsibility Statement.

*Submitted by Deborah G. on 9/15/2016
Accepted by PI Committee on 9/19/16*