Area 67 Public Information Committee Official Meeting Minutes August 17, 2015

Meeting called to order at 7:15pm

Attendees: Patrick C., Michelle H., Deborah G., Vern P., Betsy G. and Rick M.

Practice Presentation: Deborah G. and Michelle H.

Open Positions: Alternate Chair still open

Secretary's Report: Approved as submitted **Treasurer's Report:** Approved as submitted

District Reports:

a. District 32 – Vern P.

Regular attendance with a doubling of members; action items continue to keep growing, challenges for the committee seem to be which entities to work with first; Michelle H. suggested puling by sip codes (using yellow book online by groups (i.e. General Practitioners, Hospitals, etc.), Michelle will send District 40's PI/CPC Chair contact info; Next meeting to be held on September 14th.

- b. District 82 Rick M.
 - CPC Working on a clergy database Still running ad in weekly news in Brazosport area
 - PI Still running ad in weekly news in Brazosport area; Beginner's Group still distributing literature regularly to treatment centers, probation officers, libraries and high schools, take financial contributions via separate basket and not from groups 7th Tradition funds
- c. District 40 Michelle H.
 - Trying to attract new members and keep them
 - Not much work being done due to low attendance
 - Committee is willing to go to home groups for presentations
 - Planning on running the PSA in movie theaters during the holiday season
 - Still working on fulfilling the dentist database and getting mail outs done

Continuing Business:

- a. Website Vern P.
 - Area IT committee surprised by idea but liked the information on the site
 - Concerns about it being linked to the SETA website and the General Public having access to the area
 - Possibly try to do a beta test but won't be hyperlinked to the area website
 - Would like to have a motion presented at an area assembly
 - Patrick C. suggested we decide if and how the motion should be made if we want to change the charter/guidelines and should it be a joint effort with the CPC committee, possibly with the IT committee as well
 - Thoughts about having a workshop at the area assembly; contact Troy in regards to this

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- b. Adopt a High School
 - Script, outline and sample letter handed out
 - Bring back to our districts
- c. Health Fair Reports
 - Pinchon Patrick C.
 - i. 4 people in attendance
 - ii. Able to talk to other vendors and about the board
 - iii. Jackie brought flyers for her meeting (3rd Traditions Group); was able to hand them out to someone interested in a meeting in that area
 - iv. Forgot the candy!
 - Back To School Deborah G.
 - i. 3 people in attendance
 - ii. Not too many people stopped by
 - iii. There is a need for pamphlets/info in Spanish and possibly information on how to get in contact with Al-Anon
 - iv. Able to get another vendor in touch with the Multi-lingual committee chair for some of their other events
 - Rotary Club Vern P. and Rick M.
 - i. Vern's 1st Presentation
 - ii. Left lots of literature
 - iii. This is a new rotary club that is inviting various non-profit organizations
 - iv. One member was interested in the origin of the Twelve Steps

New Business:

- a. New PSA how do we get it out there; suggested we look in the PI workbook
- b. Business Cards (No information at this time)
- c. 2 Grapevines and 2 La Vinas subscriptions were donated to the PI committee from District 40

Upcoming Events:

Our next meeting – September 21st at 7:15 at Council and the Go-To meeting format will be available

Meeting was closed at 8:45 with Responsibility Statement.

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