

## **District 32 Committee - February 12, 2017**

*minutes taken by Ginny M*

The meeting was opened at noon by Brian D, DCM, with the Serenity Prayer. In attendance were: Brian D, Adam F, Bud S, Nicole S, Belinda C, Maria L, Ellen M, Rick L, Josh B, Pam W, Lisa L, Chris E, Vern P, Ginny M.

Concept 2 presented by Ginny M

Introduction of new GSRs and visitors: Pam W (Lake Woodlands Group alt GSR), Devon (visitor from Magnolia), Lisa L (GSR from SYBS Magnolia), and Josh B (GSR from Monday Night Heights Survivors).

February birthdays: Bud S, 40 years; Adam F 2 years; Chris E 4 years – Congratulations all!

### Reports:

Secretary, Ginny M – minutes from January 8 were reviewed and accepted with one correction.

Newsletter, Vern P – current issues distributed, next issue to be published in time for the April 7 SETA Assembly. Send any AA-related articles, announcements, or other contributions for the newsletter to Vern by end of March.

TFC (Quin A, District chair) – Vern P reported that the first TFC District mtg will be postponed to March 14, 8pm, at Duncan Road group. The SETA TFC Committee meets monthly as a 'GoToMeeting', on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 7:30pm. Currently the program Bridging the Gap is active at the Memorial Hermann PARC. The Area TFC Committee is updating their database of treatment centers & making a new TFC display for upcoming events.

PI/CPC (no current District chair) – Vern P, SETA CPC Chair, reported on Area CPC events including a presentation given to a Jasper County DWI class which was very well-received. Area CPC Committee meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month at 7:30 at the Spring Branch Club. On the PI side, Vern reported that that committee's Big Books to public libraries project is ongoing, as well as other activities. SETA PI Committee meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday at 7:15, at the Spring Branch Club.

CFC (Chris E, District chair) – Chris reported that the Blue Can collection in 2016 in Area 67 totaled \$45,000, a record. These funds go to the purchase of AA books for all prisons and jails in the Area. CFC is also active in facilitating mail correspondence between inmates and AA members. Contact Chris for more information, read pamphlet F-26, or email [HeartNHouston@gmail.com](mailto:HeartNHouston@gmail.com) to find out how to get involved in this much-needed service.

Chris E asked the District committee to consider participating in a CFC workshop in August 2017, to be held at Duncan Road Group. The committee voted unanimously to participate – more details to follow.

IT report – Toby B not present

Literature report – Ben W not present

Treasurer's report – Rick L presented the current financial report, showing available funds (after the designated budget amount) of \$2359.50.

Brian D asked for a vote to approve Rick L as District treasurer- the group unanimously approved by acclamation.

Item for discussion: Houston Intergroup has appealed for help in meeting their financial obligations, citing unexpected maintenance expenses and downturns in revenue from book sales. After a full discussion, the committee members decided to take the question to home groups – should District 32 contribute part of our excess funds to Intergroup?

Brian and Adam will attend the next Intergroup meeting to inquire about their plans to overcome their financial problems. Further discussion and possible vote to be taken at the next District mtg.

Sharing session:

Vern P, Duncan Road – Event coming up Saturday, April 29, to include pot luck and speakers.

Lisa L, SYBS – Noon meetings Mon-Fri need sober folks willing to chair meetings – asking for support, especially more women members.

Pam W, Lake Woodlands Group – Presented suggestions from a member of that group re distribution of District funds: supports giving all available monies to Intergroup to help them out. Also suggested that groups might consider only contributing to Intergroup and GSO, leaving out the District and the 'state'.

Josh B, Monday Night Heights Survivors – new GSR, longstanding group in the Heights.

Ellen M, Safe Harbor Group – newly returned to the GSR position. After a rocky period, the group is settling in to its new location in the Woodlands.

Maria L, Tradition 5 Group – meets at 7pm at St Mark's Church on Pecore in the Heights.

Belinda C, West Spring Group – upcoming fundraising events

Nicole S, Cypresswood Group – website: [AlanoHoustonNW.com](http://AlanoHoustonNW.com) \*Upcoming 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the group, May 20<sup>th</sup>

Bud S, Lack of Power Group (Camp Hope) – Monday 7pm meeting, including speakers and panel discussion.

Adam F, Duncan Road Group – planning a group inventory soon.

Workshop coming up: Saturday, February 25, 10 – 2, at Champions Group in the large room. Food to be provided by Champions group, speakers and skit to be presented by District 32.

Next District meeting: Sunday March 12, noon, at Champions.

Meeting adjourned at 1:50pm, closed with the Responsibility Statement.