

Minutes for A.A. at Fairview Riverside Board of Trustees Meeting February 11, 2018

Present: Jim M. – Sq. 70; Bruce – Sq. 62; AJ – Gen. Mtg.; Lynn – Sq. 1

Summary

1. **Trustees Elections 2018.** Bruce and Jim are making flyers for Trustees' mailboxes. Each AA meeting should send a representative to participate in our elections and to attend our monthly meetings. Each group's trustee member is your direct connection with our AA functions at the Riverside facilities.
2. **General Meeting.** AJ got 24-hour and 1-month medallions. John is attending occasionally to be available for coordination. Kyle is taking over the General Meeting Trustees. Grant new Trustee for Sq. 2.
3. **12-step Opportunities.** We continue to review 12-step opportunities for wing meetings, detox, etc.
4. **Straight Talk Society, Facebook Private Group.** Kyle made a flyer to inform groups of our Facebook page. We want more members to join that group and share social, fellowship, and recovery information.

1. Opening: The meeting came to order and opened with the Serenity Prayer.

2. Old Business:

A. *Secretary's Report:* Lynn read the December minutes. The December minutes were approved.

B. *Treasurer's Report:* Bruce submitted the Final 2017 Income Statement. We had a \$21 surplus. Contributions 2017 (\$4,914.65) remained close to the same as 2016 (\$4,928.31). Expenses stayed about the same from 2016 through the end of 2017. In 2017, we doubled our contributions to AA service organizations (\$1500 in 2017).

We start 2018 with a prudent reserve of approximately \$2000.

Contributions per member have gone down to approximately \$1 per meeting. This is hypothesized in part to be due to the reduction in General Meeting inpatient census and patients who attend non-AA meetings.

- Bruce wants to review how many squads existed in 2013 vs. 2017. Our goal is to understand our history and perhaps learn from it.

A theory too is that we have seen an increase in treatment centers locally and a shift to opioid (CA, NA, etc.) recovery.

- Bruce wants to know if Squad 51 is meeting.
- Jim M. asks for an analysis of attendance by meeting. For example, how to account for the drop in General Meeting attendance.

January 2018

Opening Balance:	\$ 2,376.81
Contributions:	\$ 360.29
Expenses (detailed below):	\$ (77.08)
Closing Balance:	<u>\$ 2,660.02</u> (Final Numbers)

January 2018 Expenses

Rent (Oct-Dec)	\$ Paid
Straight Talk (Jan-Feb)	\$ 77.06
Gen Meeting 12-Step Supplies	NA
Coffee	<u>NA</u>
	<u>\$ 77.06</u>

Bruce presented December final and Year-End preliminary Treasurer's Reports.

C. AA Alumni Association—N/A.

D. Operating Procedures—N/A.

E. General Meeting (GM)—N/A.

3. New Business:

A. Website—N/A.

B. Meeting Minutes—

- Lynn will email minutes to Bruce for posting to the www.aafairviewriverside.org website.

C. Meeting Rooms Rent. Paid through December.

D. 12-Step Coordinator Report: Kyle reached out to Detox. He is waiting to hear about openings from them.

Jim M. reviewed the “blue card” in AA history. That is, people would be talking about non-program issues and be targeted by receiving a blue card. We are concerned that the “singleness of purpose” may be **overemphasized** to the exclusion of helping addicts who are multiply addicted.

E. Straight Talk Society—Kyle continues to maintain the site.

F. Gopher State—N/A.

G. Operating Rules: Trustees elections are scheduled for March. Bruce will update the letter and website notifying meetings. We need representatives from Sq. 9, Sq. 20, Sq. 43, and Sq. 57.

H. Alumni Association—N/A.

I. General Meeting (GM) —Jim M. asked for recap of the 2017 AA at Fairview Riverside - Holiday Parties. Lynn reported the parties were well attended by Lodging Plus patients. John, Kyle, Grant, Lynn, and AJ participated. Refreshments and balloons were provided to add to the festivities. Call-up meetings on Dec 24 and Dec 31 gave patients the chance to share gratitude and hope for the new year.

J. Trustees Meeting Representatives—N/A.

K. Detox—Lynn will follow up again with Sherm in Detox regarding 12-step opportunities.

L. Straight Talk—Jim M. issued the January-February issues. The March-April issue is in progress.

M. Fellowship—March give Sq. 20 a plaque in gratitude from the Trustees for their contributions to 2017 solvency.

Also, see I. General Meeting.

4. Miscellaneous—N/A.

5. Close The Meeting closed with the Lord’s Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynn, Sq. 1, Secretary
Sent from my Laptop