Piedmont Area Service Committee Minutes

April 11, 2021 Virtual Meeting

I. Call to Order and Serenity Prayer: 4:00 pm David H.Twelve Traditions: Dana R.Definition of ASC: David H.Twelve Concepts: Lawrence E.

ROLL CALL

Trusted Servants

Chair: David H (Jan 2022) Vice Chair: Amalie D (Feb 2022) Treasurer: Kurt S. (*November 2021*) Vice Treasurer: Ben C (Jan 2022) Secretary: Dana R. (*September 2021*) Alternate Secretary: Lawrence E (*December 2021*) RCM: Chris P. (absent) (*September 2022*) RCM II: Bryan K (absent) (Jan 2023) Literature Chair: Jim W. (*August 2020*)

Group Service Representatives

Quorum was met.

Addicts in the Belfry: Terry W. Changing Perspectives: Erich H. New Attitudes: Ryan R. New Life Group: Kevin O (*absent-1*) SOS: Kyle W Serene in Green: Tracey A. Sharing What We Have: Kim S Spiritual Solutions: John Tr Whatever It Takes: Jake B. We Choose Recovery: David D Where I'm At: Ann Mason Alternate Literature Chair: Kyle W (*September 2020*) Public Relations Chair: Ben C. (*December 2021*) H&I Chair: Jake S. (*October 2021*) Special Events Chair: John B. (*Feb 2021*) VRCC Director: Tee T. (absent)(*March 2022*) Alternate VRCC Director: None **Groups removed from roll call:** *None*

Groups to be added: *None*

Also attending: Kermit O Ky L

March Minutes: Kyle W made a motion to approve the January minutes, Lawrence seconded the motion. March minutes were approved.

OPEN FORUM

None

II. REPORTS

Chair Report: (David H) No report.

Vice Chair Report: (Amalie D) No report.

Secretary Report: (Dana R) No report.

<u>Regional Committee Member Report</u> (Chris P. is absent, but sends a report)

I apologize I couldn't be at area this month, I have a family event this weekend. With that being said, this is still an important month for our region!

I have attached the flyer for the GSR assembly which is the first day of our April two day event starting on the 17th at 10am via Zoom.

All GSRs and any addict with an interest is welcome to attend. Brian and I hope to see you there!

On the 18th we will have the 208th RSC starting at 10am via Zoom. Once again all are welcome to attend.

VRCC/ECCNA Report: (Tee T. is absent and sends no report)

Special Events Report: (John B.)

On Tuesday 3/23, we held a special events subcommittee meeting, via Zoom, in order to lay the foundation for the Regional Speaker jam.

In attendance: Lawrence, Ruth Ellen, Ky, Erick, Jim, Jason, Ky, and John B.

Substance of the meeting:

The speaker jam will be on Saturday June 12 and will be held virtually over Zoom.

There was discussion about having a live watching station, possibly at First Baptist, where there would be some sort of single-serve food (box lunch, cans of soda, etc), but given the state of the pandemic, it was decided that we should not firm that up at this moment. Rather, we will reconvene on to discuss our ability to gather in groups, and if so, where we should do that.

Dana R. has graciously agreed to assist us with the technological aspects of the Zoom speaker jam.

We will reconvene, via Zoom, on Wednesday April 28 at 6pm for a follow-up meeting. Please everyone mark your calendars, and a Zoom invite will be circulated ahead of time.

BUDGET:

\$1200 for 2021.

Breakdown: it is anticipated that Special Events will have three events this year, not counting the speaker jam (which has been paid for by region), therefore \$400/event is requested for 2021.

Public Relations Report: (Ben C)

The Public Relations sub-committee met today. We had six people in attendance.

Panel Reports:

Website:

- In the last 30 days we have had 595 site visits, 3 contact form submissions and 0 file downloads.
- GoDaddy put out an update that glitched the site temporarily by adding stock images into some of our pages. These images have now been removed.

Meetings Lists:

- The Regional BMLT meeting data base was updated modifying the locations of all the Charlottesville meetings. Previously some said Charlottesville, some had a comma after Charlottesville, and still others, the Zoom meetings, had Piedmont area as their location. They all now say Charlottesville only so that a search done on the regional site should generate a more inclusive list. Meeting locations out of town (e.g. Greene County) were left alone.
- Richard, the Regional PR Chair, gave us the contact person at the World Service office as well as the procedure for updated World's meeting list data base. That has also been done.

Literature Racks:

• Nothing new to report.

Phone Line:

- Since our last sub-committee meeting, the phone line has received two calls. One went to a male volunteer and the other to a female volunteer.
- The gender specific feature of the new phoneline is working.

Presentations:

- The spreadsheet has been getting updated with new facilities.
- The Commonwealth Attorney has been emailed and called about a possible presentation.
- Region Ten Wellness Recovery Center was also emailed.
- No presentations have been scheduled yet but we are hopeful to have at least one scheduled by our next PR sub-committee meeting.

Old Business:

• Ky L. provided a position description for the Meeting List Coordinator position. That narrative has been shared with the rest of the committee members and will be finalized next month.

New Business:

• The PR budget was discussed and will hopefully be finalized in time for the next May ASC so it can go back to groups. There were a few questions including the multiple line items on the previous spreadsheet provided to the committee (i.e. Public Relations, PR Meeting Lists, Website, etc). Also the current motion at the Area level on creating a new Zoom account and whether or not that would fall under the PR sub-committee's purview if it's approved/adopted.

Elections

• No elections happened this month.

Next Meeting of the PRS will be at 1:00 pm on May 2, 2021.

H&I Report: (Jake S)

The H and I subcommittee met Sunday April 11th at 2:30pm. There were 8 people in attendance.

We are still in the process of trying to get a virtual H and I meeting set up at the Women's and Men's ACRJ. They are currently working on getting tablets for the inmates that are interested in attending the meeting, and we won't be able to get the meeting up and running until that has been accomplished.

The Wellness Center director has indicated he is interested in having us begin bringing meetings into the facility again. However, until things are more opened up at the facility, only two members would be able to bring meetings in for the next couple of months. We are trying to locate two members willing to bring in a meeting at least once a month until the facility is able to open more with covid-19 restrictions relaxing. If you're interested in this opportunity, please contact Jim W.

Virtual meetings have begun at 5 East. They will be held on Thursdays at 7:30pm. Melissa P should be sending out a sign-up list shortly. If you are interested in volunteering and don't hear from her, please feel free to reach out.

Boxwood continues to run relatively smoothly, but we have the same core group bringing in meetings every week. If more members would be willing to volunteer, we would really appreciate it. The patients are wearing masks now if that increases your willingness to volunteer.

Erick H. was elected as the new Boxwood Panel Leader. Thanks for your willingness, Erick!

Total literature order for this month is \$12.15.

Just as a reminder, I will not be able to serve my full term as chairperson because I am moving to Colorado in late May. Next month will be my last meeting as H and I chair. If the committee chooses to elect the vice chair to take over, I have no doubt that Jim W. will do a wonderful job.

Treasurer's Report: (Ben C.)

| Month | April '21 | March '21 | February '21 |
|---|------------|------------|--------------|
| Beginning Balance | \$1,948.71 | \$2,604.57 | \$2,823.64 |
| Donations | \$458.44 | \$380.19 | \$795.92 |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Literature Order (NAWS) | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| PR Expenses | \$0.00 | \$21.06 | \$0.00 |
| Secretary Expenses | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Treasurer Expenses | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Special Events | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| PASC Rent | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| USPS PO Box | \$146.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| H&I Printing | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Web Site | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Bank Fee | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Miscellaneous | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| GoDaddy (Webpage) | \$14.99 | \$14.99 | \$14.99 |
| CAR-NA Donation | \$0.00 | \$500.00 | \$500.00 |
| NAWS Donation | \$0.00 | \$500.00 | \$500.00 |
| Total Expenses | \$160.99 | \$1,036.05 | \$1,014.99 |
| Ending Balance | \$2,246.16 | \$1,948.71 | \$2,604.57 |
| Difference +/- From Prudent Reserve (\$1,600) | \$646.16 | \$348.71 | \$1,004.57 |

Literature Report: (Jim W.)

In March we distributed a total of \$331.19. The breakdown by group is: H&I \$82.99; Changing Perspectives \$21.15; Addicts in the Belfry \$58.95; Off the Tracks \$48.40; New Life Group \$89.50; Sharing What We Have \$26.80; and Spiritual Solutions \$3.40.

This month we made an order for \$374.23. It's the first order we've made in 4-5 months and it should be plenty to get us by as things are currently, but we may be low on some things if inperson meetings re-open all at once and there is a big demand. I actually trimmed some things from the order to get it below the \$400/mo. budget that was temporarily approved a while ago. This should conclude my service as Literature Chair and Kyle W is ready to step in and take over. I trust he will receive a vote of confidence today. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve in this position.

Ad-hoc Reports:

25th ECCNA Bid Committee Report: (*Tee T is not present and sends no report*)

Literature Ad Hoc: (*Kermit*) There have been issues with the website development and there hasn't been much progress with the literature. You can go to NA.org and "for the members" and "SPAD" to see what's happening.

RECESS

none

IV. OLD BUSINESS

Motion 1: To change policy to add to the duties of the secretary that the announcements be sent out by email within one day after the area service meeting. Intent: To more quickly get the announcements out to everyone (rather than the two week limit on the minutes) and better serve the community. Motion passes 8-0-0

Motion 2: The Piedmont Area starts its own zoom account. Cost for that account is approximately \$30/month. 9-1-0

V. NEW BUSINESS

Now that there is an Piedmont Area zoom account, a point of accountability for it needs to be established. A Zoom ad hoc is formed, with David H, Dana R, and Kurt S/Ben C.

ESP is no longer able to host the Tuesday 7 pm Virtual Meeting. Hoping to find a new host for this meeting. Lawrence E will take it for one month.

VI. ELECTIONS

• Kyle W was nominated as Literature Chair, Amalie stated that she met the qualifications of the position. Kyle was elected with a unanimous vote of members present.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ANNIVERSARIES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

In keeping with our 7th Tradition, a reminder that the Paypal app on our website: <u>piedmontvana.org</u> does have the ability to be set up with a recurring donation.

The following positions are open for those interested in serving the NA Community:

- VRCC Alternate Director please contact Tee T.
- *H&I Secretary, Wellness Recovery Center, and 5 East panel leaders positions are open. Please contact Jake S.*

• We have several positions available in the PR Subcommittee or are coming up very soon. These include Meeting Lists Coordinator, and the Literature Racks Coordinator. Please contact Ben C.

ANNIVERSARIES

- Kim S will celebrate 4 yrs Tuesday, April 13 at 6:30 pm. There will be an Eat and Meet at Sharing What We have in Greene.
- Tom A. will celebrate 31 years on Sunday, April 18, at the 12:00 in person at Addicts in the Belfry.
- John B will celebrate 13 years Monday, April 19 at 7pm at Off the Tracks in person.
- Jamise O 33 years on Saturday, April 24 at 5 pm in person at Changing Perspectives.
- John Tr will celebrate 26 years Wednesday, April 28 at the 7 pm virtual meeting.
- Ann Mason B will celebrate 9 years Friday, April 30 at 6 pm at Where I'm At (TBD whether in person or virtual).
- David D will celebrate 2 years Monday, May 3 at 6pm at We Choose Recovery virtual meeting.
- Kyle W., Ky L., and Blane S. will be celebrating 3, 25, and 15 years respectively on Sunday May 9th at the 7pm virtual meeting.

VIII. MOTIONS TO SEND BACK TO GROUPS

None

Next ASC: The next Area Service will be held on May 2, 2021 at 4:00pm

Motion to Close: 5:12 pm Made by: Tracy 2nd by: Kyle W

Serenity prayer said by all.

ILS, Dana R.