Minutes

Erie Area Central Committee Meeting Date: 5/02/23

The meeting was opened by Rick at 7:30 leading us in the Serenity Prayer.

Readings: Tahia read the Preamble; Margie read the Steps; Joanne read the Traditions; Eric read the Purposes; and Diane read the Declaration of Unity.

- New Members: Tahia
- **Visitors**: none
- **Secretary's Report:** Report was read aloud and available on the aaeriepa.org. Motion to accept April 2023 report by Jeff; Diane seconded. All in favor.
- Treasurer's Report: Reports were distributed. Motion to accept April 2023 report by Chris #1; Chris #2 seconded.

Committee Reports

- Jails: Leslie was present. Erie County Prison meeting is running. More male volunteers are still needed.
- Answering Service: Eric was present. The May bill was \$457.38 and paid. Prank caller has entered system and driving up number of calls/costs; Eric (and others) working with the call center and phone carrier to address this and believe it's resolved. State Police made a cease and desist call to prank caller.
- **Meeting Schedules**: Colin was present. New schedules will be ordered; 3,000 copies will be order, and 1 box (of 1,000) will be give to Chris #2 to send with literature orders.
- Activities: Terri was not present.
 - o Old Timers Day is Sunday, August 13, at Hamot Park. Flyers are available. 50/50 tickets have been ordered.
 - o The Anniversary Dinner is Saturday, September 23. Deposit has been made.
 - o Golf Outing will be Saturday, June 24. Please distribute flyers. [Headed up by Jeff R.]
- **Public Information**: Leslie was present; Roseanna was not present. Report provided: Banner ad is live. Current locations have been replenished with literature (libraries, YMCA). Matt G, Carl, and Sean reached out to Diane about helping distribute literature to district magistrates; she's pass this to Roseanna. Gaudenzia Erie Celebration Day is in September. If we register as a nonprofit organization the registration fee will be waived.
- Treatment Facilities: Margie was present. Meetings are going well at Gaudenzia. Meetings aren't happening at House of Healing. What's going on? Margie will get in touch with scheduler (Susan T.). Mercy Center for Women is looking to start a meeting.
- **Detox:** Pete M. was not present.
- **Literature:** Chris C. #2 was present. The updated literature price list is on Facebook. Chris will get this to Brian to post on website. Pamphlets are on backorder.
- Website: Brian was present. No updates.
- **Twelve Step Committee:** Diane was present. She is getting some volunteers. Diane wants to create a list of people interested in taking meetings to/taking members to meetings. Please announce this at meetings.

Old Business

- 04/05/2022: Stephanie and Julia brainstormed activity ideas for EACC to sponsor:
 - Paid bus trip to Akron, OH. Margie will research details (e.g. costs, logistics). See additional details in August-March minutes.
 - 04/04/2023: Brian made the \$250 deposit. Location for parking/bus pickup needs to be determined. Bus will depart at 8am sharp. Specific stops/times need to be determined to inform bus driver/create flyer.
 Teresa's Deli will prepare 55 lunches for \$220; soda will be purchased from Sam's Club. EACC will require each rider to cover \$20 of the cost.
 - 05/02/23: Flyers have been made. Elevate Church parking lot will be bus pick up location.
- 10/04/2022: Rick has revised the order of these Zoom presentations in a more logical order:
 - → August 16—Overview of all committees
 → September 20—Jails
 → November 15—Answering Service

- March 21—Detox [didn't happen]
 - → April 18—Literature; Mtg. Schedules
 - May 16—Activities

- January 17—Treatment Facilities
- February 21—Public Info; Website
- 12/06/2022: John G. told Terri there is Bridging the Gap program seeking interested AA members to volunteer as liaisons. Rick suggested that this could fall under Jails Committee. Leslie will reach out to John to further discuss this. 02/07/2023: No updates.
- 04/04/2023: New Vice Chair and Secretary are needed.
 - o **5/02/2023:** All in favor:
 - Jeff R., Vice Chair
 - Chris #2, secretary

New Business

• **5/02/2023:** Maureen B. indicated that Schmidt Towers is looking start a meeting. Open to public or residents only?— Joanne will get this answered.

There was a motion by to close the meeting by Terri; Diane seconded. The meeting was closed with all joining in the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Colin M.

Attendees

- 1. Eric
- 2. Diane
- 3. Terri
- 4. Rick
- 5. Roseanna
- 6. Brian
- 7. Jeff
- 8. Margie
- 9. Chris #1
- 10. Chris #2
- 11. Christine
- 12. Colin
- 13. Leslie