

Robbers Roost Men's Group

Group Conscience Minutes: 4 April 2017

Attendance: Michael, Craig, Sami, Dan, Herman, Don, Marc, Chris, Ben
Intros & minutes— minutes accepted.

Reports:

- Don S (GSR): written report. Bridge the Gap workshop, April 22. Anyone who has wanted to get on the list should attend. Sponsored by Area 10. Don has flyers for many events. Robbers Roost reunion flyer is posted on our group website. Don attended Spring Assembly, breakout sessions. Interesting discussions about social media (no action recommended), and security in meetings (comes back to group conscience).
- Ben (Alt GSR): Ben did attend last month's District 24 meeting.
- Chris (Treasurer): Daniel fund now has \$40. Chris wants some history on the Daniel fund. Disbursements have been made. Available balance = \$558.00. Q: Can we get a record about how the Daniel fund has been used. Chris will research the records. Report accepted.
- Kevin (Tues mtg secy):
- Shawn (Thurs mtg secy):
- Ken (GSC): Sami is back. Things are covered for this week.
- Marc W (IGR): Craig introduced Marc last week. Marc attended IG for the first time. Volunteer coordinator is Mike. Doing CO training via appointment with Mike. We can piggy back and bring newcomers along. Nightwatch: Aaron needs people for Tues and Sat. Bridge the Gap: sobriety requirement of one year for BTG and 12-step list. Discussion about listing availability for rides on list, generally felt this is not a good idea; we do not want to give the impression that we give rides.
- Tucker (Alt IGR):
- Mikael (CPC):
- Aaron (Website): no report. Site updated as of last month.
- OPEN (Archives):
- Jeff (Grapevine):
- Ted (Literature):
- Larry (Nightwatch):
- OPEN (PIR):
- OPEN (Local 12 Step Coordinator): Craig took 20 schedules to MSWE in Lafayette. Craig also got 20 NA schedules and delivered those.
- OPEN (Treatment): Marc went to the TFC committee but there was nobody there. Is the chair having committee meetings? If so when and where?
- Dan (Phone List): List divided into 4 sheets. Randy W has completed his work. Rick Z is working on his sheet and is done. David A is in progress. Don S is the fourth person, has not had time to call.
- Mark F (Tue Coffee/Setup):
- OPEN (Tue Cleanup):
- Craig B (Thu Coffee/Setup): We have a new measuring cup.
- John (Thu Cleanup):

Old business:

1. Talk about group history document
 - a. Don and Craig are going to work together to fill out group history--making progress on the form from the district archives chair. --updates: phone list got any history? Not sure.
 - b. Larry collected input from members - Don and Craig will talk to him about it

>Group inventory follow-ups.

****Make a point about the value of service as part of RR vision of recovery. Suggestion: Add a note to the announcement of open service positions. Share that with those we sponsor. Research and propose new language for announcements--MG AI. Check language on AA pamphlets. Inside AA.**

“Service is our Third Legacy. Recovery and Unity are the First and Second. Service to others and to the Fellowship reminds us that we owe our sobriety to the work of earlier members, and that our continued sobriety may depend on the hundreds of thousands who still need to learn of A.A. Their participation may well be part of our future.” (Inside AA)--edit and bring back.

1. Phone list: The current list is too long and has not been purged for a while. We would like to discuss a process for pruning the list and creating a list that includes active group members only.
 - a. Dan is forming a group to follow up and find out who does and doesn't want to be on the list. Open until closed.
 - b. Individuals will follow up with Dan to see if they can help.
2. Sponsorship: We would like to see a greater emphasis on how to get and use a sponsor and how to be a sponsor. Sponsorship could possibly be a regular topic for Thurs meeting.
 - a. Craig suggested that sponsorship should be a topic for the Tuesday meeting.
 - b. Aaron to create Secretary instruction document to include a position description, list of potential topics (including sponsorship).**
 - c. Don to suggest a sponsorship workshop at D24 meeting.**
3. What is our relationship to Robbers Roost and other RR groups? ~~Are we possibly affiliating with a non-AA entity?~~ [no] Can we discuss and clarify our relationship to RR, specifically as this relates to the Traditions?
Discussion: Part of the history--do some research. List of questions for the reunion.
4. Information: We would like to focus on providing more information, especially for newcomers. What AA is, how the steps work, etc. --**let's think about this question and how to give newcomers the best information. Let's address that for May group conscience. Newcomer packets? Get some brochures and talk to lit rep about stocking some packets. Other items to discuss. Possible idea: take aside newcomers to do a small first-step meeting.**
5. Summer cooling: the meeting room gets uncomfortable in the summer months. Maybe consider some form of additional cooling or climate control.

New business:

Don: receipt for expenses to Area Assembly, \$152.05.

Open Service Positions:

Ben needs to resign from the Alt GSR, so that position is open.

Herman is new Tues night cleanup.