

# Robbers Roost Men's Group

## Group Conscience Minutes: 2 May 2017

Attendance: Michael, Jeff, Sami, Herman, Randy, Shawn, Craig, Marc, Mikael, Ben, Chris

Intros & minutes— minutes accepted.

### Reports:

- Don S (GSR): [emailed report.] Don attended Bridge the Gap workshop. Has info for how to get on the list.
- OPEN (Alt GSR):
- Chris (Treasurer): Written report. Avail bal = 467. Daniel fund = \$381. Report accepted.
- Kevin (Tues mtg secy):
- Shawn (Thurs mtg secy): New to the service position, starting to get a flow, looking for feedback. How is it going? Discussion: People need a full week, need to make sure that the topic is clearly related to recovery according to the Big Book. Folks feel Shawn is doing a really good job. Are we really limited to first 164? Working well to have secretaries working with chairs and topics. Shawn is asking people week prior and confirming week of meeting, sending a link to first 164 and more.
- Sami (GSC): We missed one shift last month. Generally things are OK with coverage.
- Marc W (IGR): Attended the meeting and took notes. Discussion was mostly about the 501c3. Desire to get it done. Proceeding with the process. Need to come up with minutes going back ten years. Workshop was great.
- Tucker (Alt IGR):
- Mikael (CPC): District chair is really active; recently met with Area CPC, has reached out to Boulder Sheriff's department. Mikael will attend next district meeting.
- Aaron (Website): [emailed report:] Q: Should we pull down the reunion flyer? (registration is closed). Take or down or list as sold out.
- OPEN (Archives):
- Jeff (Grapevine): Jeff is getting the issues and he brings it to the meeting. They now have an Android editon/app. Don S gave Jeff a contact for a guy in Boulder, could get more involved in district. Maybe read jokes from the GV, which some people do in groups. GV can be promoted in AA. That is one of the topics of the group and committee. Sami gets La Vina which is available for Spanish speakers.
- Ted (Literature):
- Larry (Nightwatch):
- OPEN (PIR):
- OPEN (Local 12 Step Coordinator):
- OPEN (Treatment): Marc: Met Karsten at intergroup and went to the D24 TFC meeting. New form put together will be distributed and Marc will bring that to group. DCM is looking for a new TFC chair. Karsten is moving out of the area soon, new chair is needed. Very few groups have TFC reps.
- Dan (Phone List): new phone lists!
- Mark F (Tue Coffee/Setup):
- Herman (Tue Cleanup): Present.
- Craig B (Thu Coffee/Setup): Going through the coffee quickly. Do we have any connection to coffee? Check IG minutes.
- John (Thu Cleanup):

### OLD BUSINESS

>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.

**Service to the Fellowship reminds us that we owe our sobriety to those who have come before us, and keeps AA alive for those who still need to hear our message. -- OK add to announcements.**

1. 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.**
2. 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. Craig: Can't carry the message with a packet. Working with newcomers is the whole point.**
3. Summer cooling: the meeting room gets uncomfortable in the summer months. Maybe consider some form of additional cooling or climate control.

#### **New business:**

Workshop on ring ring!

Randy W: Tim F from Chicago is signed up: Daniel fund? Randy is requesting on Tim's behalf. Suggestion: ask Tim to request funds first. \$160 is registration plus room and board. Motion: Ask Tim if he wants to ask for the use of the fund.

Sami: Talk about note from Ray Imel and cleaning in general. We need to sweep and do more frequent field days to clean up. Parking lot was swept recently. Sami spoke with Ray's nephew Herbert and suggested it was a general not specific note. We should not leave food overnight. No Name Group do a clean up together. Action Item: Set a date for a cleaning session. Pick a date. Talk to Ray Imel and get his expectations. Craig will contact Ray. **Date: First Sunday of each month, 1 pm.**

Picnic?

Can we get a clock in the room?

How to make a speaker meeting where men from RR share their stories to the broader community.

#### **Open Service Positions:**

Ben stands for secretary. Ben elected secretary.