February 2016 Midwest Region GSR Teleconference Minutes

February 20, 2016

Chair opened call

Delegate lead group in recitation of the Serenity Prayer

Chair read Tradition 2 and Concept 2

Attendees:

Groups:

- IL Homewood, Bill
- IL Rockford T, Jan
- IL Rockford TH, Lynn
- IL Schaumburg, Ilene
- IL Springfield, Linda
- IL Vandalia, Leanne
- IN Indianapolis, Patty
- KS Leawood, Rose
- MO Chesterfield, Dale
- MO Kansas City, Jane
- MO Maryland Heights, Gwen

RSC Members:

Chair, Cyndee

Treasurer/Webmaster, Rod

Delegate, Ruth

Alternate Delegate, Theresa

Outreach Chair, Jim

Convention Chair, Dian

Other Participants:

RSC Mentor, Tawnee

RSC Volunteer, Luanne

Teleconference Minutes:

(Archive of Minutes Available Here)

No minutes ready to approve at this time.

Treasurer's Report (Rod):

(Archive of Treasurer's Reports Available Here)

Outreach Report (Jim):

There is an archive of prior outreach challenges on the Midwest Region Website for use (<u>Archive of Outreach Challenges Available Here</u>). Please contact Jim with any questions or suggestions!

Convention Report (Dian):

Please notice any additions to the calendar, she will continue to update this and get the information to you.

Please contact Dian with any questions, suggestions, or updates!

Delegate Report (Ruth/Theresa/Jan):

- (Ruth) Gave a summary of what the World Service Conference is and what our Region's role is in that. Groups are encouraged to get together and discuss motions that people have questions on and then turn in their votes on a tally sheet to Ruth/Theresa. You can vote yes, no, abstain, and yes with a suggested amendment (please contact Ruth with any questions). Each group will send 1 final tally sheet with the votes from your group. The tally sheets are due April 2.
- (Theresa) Interested participants from her group two years ago went over the whole thing motion by motion. Have groups handled this different in the past?
 - Jan (Rockford IL T) reports that both the groups in Rockford got together twice to go over each motion. Shares that each time she learns something new about the process.
 - Ruth (Delegate, attends Elmhurst) shared that in her experience a regular meeting is not the best place to discuss these things, especially if there is a newcomer. Before or after a meeting is better.
 - Dale (Chesterfield MO) shares last time he attended a meeting to go over the motions and he echoed what Ruth shared about not doing it during a regular meeting. This year they are combining a few local groups to have a special meeting.
 - A couple groups reported that their groups have no desire to participate but they will keep encouraging them. Ruth suggests that they ask their groups to give a vote of confidence allowing them to cast votes for their group.
- (Jan) Gave a background information and summary of Motion A-1 (please contact Jan, Ruth, or Theresa for questions).
- (Theresa) Points out Motion 49 and the new letters, they only reference "addiction" vs "drug addiction". You might want to be aware of that and give it some thought.
- The consensus was to have the next CAR/CAT conference calls on Saturday February 27th and March 5th at 9am.
 - 712-432-1500 Access Code 900219# The recordings will be available for members
- The Region is very grateful for everyone's service and contribution. The next call is Saturday March 19th, 2016. Call Adjourned.