

## Midwest Region RSC Teleconference Minutes

July 2, 2016, 830a

Serenity Prayer: Theresa

Tradition 7, Concept 7: Cyndee

Attendees: Rod; Jim; Dian; Theresa; Ruth; Cyndee; Luanne; Assembly Host Committee Chair and Guest, Dale, GSR Chesterfield

### **Assembly Report:** Dale, GSR, Chesterfield

Save the Date flyer final draft approved with correction (improper Nar-Anon logo).

Registration draft discussed and will go back to committee to rework pricing options.

Rod will assist Dale with logo and banking needs.

### **Approval of Minutes:** June 2016

Motion to approve by Rod, seconded by Jim. Unanimously passed.

### **Financial Report:** Rod

See Treasurer's Report for details.

Ending balance June = \$2474.00 Alligare balance = \$2011.24 Total resources = \$ 4,485.24

Midwest Region's financial needs: Currently donations exceed the July financial needs of the Region some \$507.00. Since November, 2015, NFG financial donations to the region have exceeded any previous year.

### **Website Report:** Rod

Hosting contract renewed.

New "Members Share" posting on sponsorship.

Wish to add members to the Website committee. Will bring up on this month's GSR call.

### **Outreach Report:** Jim

September is "Recovery Month," sponsored by the Dept of Health & Human Services

Consider special outreach activities for your group in Sept. Have fun with this.

After Sept, the world outreach website will want to know:

What did your group do?

How did it go?

Working with World Outreach Committee re social media is a long, slow process.

### **Conventions:** Dian. No report

### **Delegate Report:** Ruth. No report

### **Alt. Delegate Report:** Theresa. Reminder of 3<sup>rd</sup> Spiritual Retreat will be held Sat. Sept 17 in KC, KS.

Registration form and retreat details will be ready soon to be shared with the region's GSRs.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### • **Branson Meeting**

RSC shared viewpoints re whether further action is required since the Branson meeting was removed from the meeting lists on the region and world websites. The committee chose to support the NarAnon program based on "principles over personalities" and our group purpose "to help the families of addicts", thereby giving our allegiance to the new member seeking help.

An individual vote was taken by the Chair with 2 options. To send an email to the Branson GSR notifying her that meeting has been removed and including the written notification from the Serenity

Club of no ongoing meeting enclosed, or to do nothing further. By majority vote an email will be sent to inform the GSR that the Branson meeting has been removed from the websites and why.

- **Long Distance Sponsorship**

Lengthy discussion re sponsorship. RSC is uncomfortable with “matchmaking” an individual with a sponsor. Agreed that if members are willing to be long distance sponsors, their info can be posted on website as a resource pool. We are a young region, only 6 years old. It is necessary to “build our foundation” through meetings, steps, traditions, sponsors, service. All sponsorship should lead back to the program. The answers we seek are in program, we are learning new ways to live. Having a sponsor gives us a place to practice “living” the program. We can trust that we will find what we need by asking for guidance from our HP, and also from any number of people who are put on our path. Be open.

Theresa will develop a sponsorship page, which can be fleshed out by others. RSC Committee members as well as other regional members are encouraged to share their experiences of being a sponsor or a sponsee. This will be beneficial to others who are considering asking for a sponsor or trying to figure out what sponsorship really is all about.

- **Possible edit for the MWR Fact Sheet**

Since RSC took over the cost of Hosting and Registration of MWR website, NFGs can have their own site under the MWR umbrella for a nominal cost.

This is a benefit to add to the Fact sheet, in language specific to web hosting.

- **Secretary Update**

A volunteer has spoken up, but no decisions have been solidified.

- **TNT**

Dian and Rod shared feedback from their groups.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- **Business Meeting for Assembly**

Begin to think about what you will be sharing and how you want to convey that.

Anticipate proposed budget for 2017 prior to Assembly.

Meeting adjourned at approx. 10:30am.