

## Midwest Region April RSC Minutes

Sunday, May 7, 2017 – 8:30 pm Central

**Call to Order:** Chair – Cyndee

Serenity Prayer – Led by Theresa

Tradition 5 and Concept 5 – Read by Cyndee

### Roll Call:

Chair – Cyndee

Vice Chair –

Treasurer – Rod

Outreach – Jim

Convention – Dian

Delegate – Ruth

Alt. Delegate - Theresa

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes for February 11, 2017, March 4, 2017 and April 1, 2017 RSC Conference Calls were approved as presented.

Cyndee explained that there was an individual interested in serving as Interim Secretary from Maryland Heights but she is no longer interested. A second person from Chesterfield is interested but wants to wait until July before starting due to some personal issues.

**Financial Report:** Rod discussed the Treasurer's Report that was sent to the RSC Members the previous week. Highlights include:

General Fund Starting Balance – 4/1/2017	\$5925.76
Donations	109.64
Expenses	-296.67
General Fund Ending Balance = 4/30/2017	\$5738.73
Balance in Alligare Donation Account	\$1249.84
Total Resources Available	\$6988.57

Rod further explained that the Treasurer's Report included 2 different way of looking at the Financial Needs of the Region. The first one calculated the Delegate and Alternate Delegate expense on a prorated basis for the 2-year period. This method showed a Funds Available above our Financial Needs of \$1362.90. The second one showed the Delegate and Alternate Delegate expense at 100% for the entire 2-year period. This method showed a Funds Available above our Financial Needs of \$196.23. There was a long discussion about which method should be used and how a decision would be made about the amount to send to the WSO. Some of the highlights were:

- The Alligare Donation Account will return approximately \$995.00 to the General Fund after all checks clear. One group still has approximately 2 week to act on the benefits of the program.
- RSC Members present decided that the 'prorated version' was the best one to use.
- The Funds Available above our Financial Needs amount is not automatically the amount that will be donated to the WSO. A Committee will be set up to make a recommendation about the amount to donate to the WSO and the process to use in deciding how much to send and when it should be sent.
- The Committee will wait until after the Alligare Funds have been returned to the General Fund before making their recommendation.

**Website Report:** Rod stated there were 2 new groups – Eckerty, IN and Sikeston, MO. One meeting has also closed – Lawrenceburg, IN.

Rod and Ruth will develop a statement discussing the Forum in more detail and add it the Meetings page of the website.

**Outreach Report:** Jim had nothing to report.

**Convention Report:** Dian stated she would have a new Convention Calendar to share by Friday. She also stated that Nar-Anon events should be on the Calendar as well as NA events. If anyone knows of events that should be added to this calendar, please let Dian know.

**Delegate and Alternate Delegate Report:** Ruth and Theresa received correspondence concerning when motions should be submitted for the 2018 WSC. A rough draft of the motion should be turned in by August. No motions from the Midwest Region have been submitted.

Theresa talked to Tawnee and learned that our motion concerning Tradition 4 and the Tally Process will be discussed in more detail at the 2018 WSC. Tawnee also shared there will be a lot more ‘block’ votes at future WSCs. Tawnee has stepped down as Chair of the Newsletter Committee but is still on the committee.

### **Old Business**

**Assembly Update:** Rod shared that there is a concern in hosting the Assembly in Kansas City on the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of October – a NASCAR race scheduled for that weekend. He asked the RSC for permission to move the Assembly to the 4<sup>th</sup> weekend. The RSC agreed it would be OK but the final decision will be up to the GSRs.

Assembly Workshop Topics were discussed. It was decided to combine a couple and consider omitting another one. Cyndee asked members to send her any addition topics to consider by Monday evening.

**Annexation of Family Groups outside the geographic footprint:** Cyndee shared that 2 different groups outside our footprint have expressed interest in joining our Region – Tulsa, OK and another group in Arkansas. What do we do when people outside ask? A discussion concerning the Flowchart that Cyndee developed had the following as some highlights:

- A question about the need to rescind the 2014 motion about adding area to the Region was discussed. No conclusion was agreed upon during this meeting.
- The flowchart should be changed to read ‘Un-represented Groups’.
- Cyndee will make some changes to the flowchart and send it out again.

**Family Group Guide to Finances:** The document that Leanne, Dale and Rod developed was discussed. There were a few minor changes that were suggested. Cyndee will make the changes and send it out to everyone again. She would like to present this to the GSRs during the May Conference Call. It was decided that this document would be put on the ‘Treasurer’s Reports’ page of the website and the page will be renamed to something like ‘Financial Information’.

The meeting closed at approximately 11:00 pm.

Submitted by Rod S.

