

Valley Intergroup Service Council – Recap of Meeting – August 4, 2014

Service Opportunities:

Hotline

- **Still need volunteers for hotline – sign up on-line.**

Hospitals & Institutions:

- The jail will now do an October "once a year" jail orientation / training. People need to have their application turned in by late September. Get to an H&I meeting by Sept 3rd or wait a whole year before the next opportunity. Tina is the Coordinator for Santa Rita and all her contact info is on the website.
- Please announce this service opportunity: Women are needed to take meetings into Santa Rita County Jail. One year sobriety required. H&I training is held in Oakland.
- Speakers and Secretary Positions remain unfilled and people are needed to fill these meetings in the hospital and institutions.

General Service Meeting:

Held the 4th Monday of every month @ Faith Lutheran Church, 20080 Redwood Road, Castro Valley, CA.

Events:

Special Events Chairperson: Terri S (925) – 997-1820

- Picnic at Val Vista Park, Saturday, August 16, 10-3pm
 - (1) Tickets for Picnic are available for \$5. Tickets have been disbursed. Please turn in extra tickets and money to Terri S.
 - (2) Planning meetings, Valley Service Center, August 6, 7pm at Val Vista Park, and August 13 at Valley Service Center at 7 pm.**
 - (3) All group commitments for picnic are now filled.
 - (4) Looking for volunteer to bring pop ups to set up for shade.

Conference:

- Sacramento Conference Oct 2-3-4, 2014.

Meetings:

- San Ramon community center meetings are changing to 1130 -1230pm from June 16 to Aug 26.
- Sunday morning at Crosswinds will be moving to Pathways Church.
- San Ramon Women's Step Study Temporarily Suspended (Tuesday, 730 Pm)

New Business

1. Discussion was raised at the Board meeting regarding the publication of new meetings on the schedule that is printed at the VSC by Lynn. The Operations Manual states that "the VSC has determined a group should have been meeting successfully for at least three months and abide by the AA traditions in order to be listed in the Tri Valley Meeting schedule. Page 6 Paragraph 5"
 - (1) The concern is that new meetings need to be published right away so that they can improve their chances to 'thrive'. The more people that know about the meeting, the more will come.
 - (2) This would require an amendment to the Operations Manual.
 - (3) Please take this question back to groups. Voting will occur in September.**

2. The General Service has published a pamphlet suggesting disbursements percentages for the 7th Tradition from what is stated on our meeting schedule. Does Intergroup wish to discuss, change etc or just advise other meetings about 'this suggested' change from GSO. Traditions suggest this is an individual meeting issue but we want to at least make IG Reps aware.
This item is tabled until the next meeting until we have further information.

Old Business:

- Distribution of extra money
 - (1) 13 voting innergroup representatives.
 - (2) The items are voted on separately.
 - (a) Reduce cost of picnic from \$10 to \$5 = \$1000 - 12 yes- pass
 - (b) Reduce cost of anniversary dinner by \$5 = \$1500 - 12 yes - pass
 - (c) Reduce cost of big book by \$1 for 1 year = \$300 11 yes - pass
 - (d) Free drinks for picnic including coffee = \$300 12 yes - pass
 - (e) Free drinks for anniversary dinner = \$500 - 13 yes - pass
 - (f) Out of state speakers for anniversary dinner = \$1500 - 10 yes - pass
 - (g) Add workshops \$300 - 11 yes – pass
 - a. Total \$5400. Spent .
 - b. Have \$4600 to spend still.
 - c. A suggestion place will be put on the website to solicit suggestions for remaining money.
- **Next Intergroup Meeting: Monday, September 8, 730pm (Second Monday, since first Monday is Labor Day)**