

District 81 Committee Meeting Minutes
April 3rd, 2024
Kelley's - La Marque

Call to Order: Keith – Serenity Prayer

Traditions/Concept: Concept 4 read by John

Roll Call: 17 officers, 3 past DCMs, 17 GSRs, 3 Alt GSRs, 32 voting members, 3 visitors

Keith called the meeting to order. Concept 4 was read by John. Kirsten performed the roll call. The meeting minutes for March 2023 were presented by Andrea. Michael motions to accept the minutes as written; Gwen seconded; motion passes. Debra presents the treasurer's report. Michael motions to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented; Brandi seconded; motion passes.

Robert will do Concept 5 next month.

All Committee Meetings:

- Archives: Last Friday of the month – Alvin Taylor Street – 6:00
- **CFC:** Second Wednesday of the month – BAC – 6:30
- **PICPC: Last Thursday of the month – BAC – 4:45**
- Grapevine: Third Tuesday of the month – Google Meets – 5:30
- **Literature:** Third Wednesday of the month – Back porch of BAC – 7:30
- **F&B: Last Wednesday of the month – Jason's Deli League City – 6:30**
- **TFC:** Last Wednesday of the month – Jason's Deli & Zoom – 6:30 – ID 868-5564-9879, PW 06101935
- **Newsletter:** Last Monday of the month – Friendswood Library – 5:00
- **Workshop:** Last wednesday of the month – Kelley's LaMarque – 6:30
- Website: Third Wednesday of the month – meet.google.com/ehm-jrvv-ifm – 6:00
- Accessibility: Second Wednesday – meet.google.com/qvk-rjzk-nad – 6:30

All Open Committee Positions:

- **CFC:** Alt-Chair
- **PICPC:** Alt-Chair and Secretary
- **Literature:** Alt-Chair
- **F&B:** Alt-Chair
- **TFC:** Alt-Chair
- **Newsletter:** Alt-Chair
- **Workshop:** Alt-Chair

Committee Reports:

1. Archives – Tiffany S.
 - a. Last Friday of the month – Alvin Taylor Street – 6:00
 - b. Report given by Tiffany S.
 - c. Changed the meeting time.
 - d. Inventory process still going strong
 - i. Archives digitized 6 GB, 17 binders. The archives are on a thumb drive and Google. Archives available from 1983-2023ish. If you have a SETA email address, you are able to see the archives from District 81!
 - ii. Too large of files can be accessed by right clicking and clicking “Open with” then “Google Doc,” rather than downloading.
 - e. Spent \$708 of budget money to digitize them. Decided as a committee to reallocate funds.
2. Correctional Facility (CFC) – Janine
 - a. Second Wednesday of the month - BAC - 6:30
 - b. Report given by Janine
 - c. Online volunteer training workshop hosted by District 81 will be on May 11, 11 am-3pm at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, on Hwy 3 in Dickinson in Wolton Hall. The same place that Dickinson Bayou Group meets every Friday night at 7PM.
 - i. Please bring a laptop or cell phone with internet access. We will read the online questions as a group and discuss answers.
 - ii. TDCJ prefers the online training, as no Warden or Chaplain needs to be in attendance. The training needs to be recertified every 2 years.
 - iii. If you have served in the CFC in the past and let the certification lapse, this is a good training to attend. Lunch and snacks will be served.
 - d. Janine, Darryl and Sarah go into Carol Young Medical Facility every Monday at 7pm. Michelle, Texas and others bring a message of recovery from alcoholism every few weeks or so.
 - e. Sisters of the 12 Steps is planning an anniversary party, as the group celebrates about 15 years.
 - f. John M shared that he is still going into Galveston County Jail and he is still coordinating male volunteers. Janine spoke with Pat Westerval, who coordinates female volunteers at GCJ. Pat has assured her that she has a roster full of female volunteers, and will call me if a female volunteer calls in sick.
3. Public Information / Cooperation w/ Professional Community PI/CPC – Tim L.
 - a. Last Thursday of the month – BAC – 4:45
 - b. Report given by Tim
 - c. Tim will be stepping down as PI/CPC
 - d. Postal Publications and Coast Monthly PSA’s – Next PSA is April/May
 - i. PSA will be the Family of Hope
 - e. BILLBOARDS Scheduled for May
 - i. Michelle to contact Convergent Printing for the ECO posters and Lee Vela with Clear Channel to coordinate the Billboard installation for the 4 ECO

posters and 8 Digital Billboards. Last years estimate with 3.2 Million EOI (Eyes on Impressions)

- f. Phone Line Rotation for April - Adding Michelle C and Cory W to the distribution. Tim L will volunteer to take the calls for April.
 - g. Open positions - Secretary**
 - h. New Volunteer for Literature distribution - Need to find a new volunteer. About 3-4 hours a month to distribute literature across the district.**
4. Grapevine – Spencer W.
 - a. Third Thursday of the month – Google Meets – 5:30
 - b. Report given by Spencer
 - c. Flyer went out tonight for the give away. Another flyer will be going this week.
 5. Literature – Ashley S.
 - a. Third Wednesday of the month – Room E – 7:30
 - b. Report given by Ashley
 - c. They had their first indoor meeting this year with 6 people in attendance.
 - d. Went over updates to the new plain language big book.
 - e. Planning a booth for the upcoming service fair.
 6. Finance & Budget (F&B) – DJ
 - a. Last Wednesday of the month – Jason’s Deli League City – 6:30
 - b. Report given by DJ
 - c. Talked about the Area Finance Meeting on Google Meets and the discrepancies with the CFC reporting. They have received reports from every month last year, but there is a separate account that they have and they are still having to sort. Hoping to learn more about this at Area assembly.
 - d. Still have not received contributions from the meetings that meet at the BAC. Stated we had only \$450 in contributions.
 - i. Talked about that BAC still doesn’t have treasurer so maybe a reason why contributions are lower
 7. Treatment Facilities (TFC) – Robert
 - a. Last Wednesday of the month – Jason’s Deli & Zoom – 6:30 – ID 868-5564-9879, PW 06101935
 - b. Report given by Robert
 - c. Presentations during March were *Into Action* on March 11 in person and *Kemah Palms* on March 19 in person. We also had a virtual presentation with *Bay Area Recovery Center* on March 26. We continue to get great feedback from the treatment centers.
 - d. Upcoming
 - i. *Into Action* – (second Monday) April 8th at 8:00pm (in person)
 - ii. *Kemah Palms* – (third Tuesday) April 16th, 6:30pm (in person)
 - iii. *BARC* – Off month
 - e. Month’s activities:
 - i. We continued planning our Spring Workshop and have selected Sunday, May 19th from 1-3p. The workshop will be held at the BAC. Packet preparation is planned for Sunday, April 14th. The committee decided to

keep the workshop as an in person only event and not offer a virtual option.

- f. Budget Report
 - i. Our balance remains \$450. We had no expenses in March. Primary expenses will be for the two workshops planned for this year with the first being the Spring Workshop on May 19th. Tentatively scheduled.
 - g. Prepare for the Spring Workshop including contacting speakers for topics including Service Work, Traditions, and a representative from one of the Treatment Facilities.
 - h. Goals:
 - i. Engage the Bridge the Gap process and database. If anyone is interested in being a BTG contact to help someone from treatment or jail get to meetings let me know and Robert H can add you.
 - ii. Evaluate the current treatment centers in our district to get an idea of which ones are open and if they are taking their clients to AA meetings.
 - iii. Encourage more existing TFC members to participate and recruit more new members to be able to have more monthly presentations at additional facilities
 - i. GSRs please announce to your groups about our awesome committee and great service opportunity.
8. Newsletter – Gwen R
- a. Last Monday of the month – Friendswood Library – 5:00
 - b. Report given by Gwen
 - c. Will start cutting off the submissions to the newsletter for the last week of the month in order to have enough time to review.
 - d. Term is up at the end of the year, so Gwen needs people to show up to her committee meeting to be able to pass the torch to the next Newsletter chair.
9. Workshop Chair – Debra W. - Last wednesday of the month - 6:30
- a. Report given by Debra W.
 - b. Service 18th 0 finalized the menu of hot dogs, chips
 - c. Setup for service committees is at 10 am.
 - d. Groups should have an activity planned for their table.
 - e. Scavenger Hunt at the Service Fair is being organized.
10. Website – Jon
- a. Third Wednesday of the month – Google Meet – 6:00
 - a. Report given by Jon
 - b. Added flier and calendar event for TFC Spring Workshop
 - c. Added April newsletter and updated the newsletter archive
 - d. We created the beginnings of an interactive D81 Group meeting map that utilizes Google Maps. We would like to ask approval for this map from the District.
 - i. If approved, we need any group that wishes to be displayed on the map to email both John A. and Adrian L. with your meeting location and time and any other pertinent information you may want displayed on the website/map.
11. Accessibility: Lynn - Second Wednesday – meet.google.com/qvk-rjzk-nad – 6:30

- a. Please join to help us understand how we can make accessibility more available for the district
12. Registrar (Roll Call Results) – Kirsten
 - a. Kirsten performed Roll Call (results above)

Old Business:

1. Area Assembly new location on April 6th.
2. Update: Adhoc committee to add to the job descriptions in the P&P and Adhoc is also going to review the entire P&P at the same time.
 - a. Met last week. Minimal updating needed, but will do a second pass. Will be reaching out to past DCMs to review.
 - b. Goal is to have it done by the end of the summer, but will probably be done sooner.
3. Any questions about the PAI's for the upcoming GSC?

New Business:

1. Open Chair position for PI/CPC - Alt. Chair will roll into that position. Yay Michelle

Cliffside - Sunday at 6pm at Justice House - is now an open meeting - no longer just a women's meeting.

Upcoming conferences:

- Area Assembly
- SWRAASA

Motion to close

Thanks,
Andrea W.