

# CHICAGO WEST FAR-OUT INTERGROUP (CHI-WIF) MEETING MINUTES

Good Samaritan Hospital, 3815 Highland Avenue, Downers Grove, IL 60515

Date: Saturday, April 15, 2017

## SPIRITUAL PRINCIPLES FOR APRIL

STEP 4: Courage

TRADITION 4: Autonomy

CONCEPT OF SERVICE 4: Equality

MEETING OPENED BY Dave with The Serenity Prayer at 10 AM.

## ATTENDANCE:

Sandy F. (Naperville, Mon. Night)

Chris (Oak Park, Fri. 7AM)

Laura W. (Elmhurst, Sat. 10:15AM)

Kimberlie (Burr Ridge, Sat. 8AM)

CJ (Visitor)

Gerri M. (Treasurer)

Mariana (DeKalb, Sat. 11AM, Mon. 9AM)

Sara S. (River Forest, Sat. 9AM)

Mary R. (Aurora, Wed. AM)

Cathy L. (River Forest)

Leanna C. (Visitor)

Dave C. (Chair)

Concept 4 – Equality: read by Sandy.

Minutes: read by Kimberlie and accepted as read.

Financial Report: read by Gerri and accepted as read.

## Committee - Reports:

- 1) Bylaws: Kimberlie – no report.
- 2) PIPO: Laura – Sent emails with OA Posters to Dominican, Concordia, and Wheaton College. Will take posters to Elmhurst College next week. Recommended by group to send posters to NIU, Triton, COD, Waubonsi, Morton, and Aurora Colleges/Universities. Sandy will talk to some counselors about sending posters to local High Schools. Laura will check Young Persons section at OA.org.
- 3) TSW: Sandy – Continuing to do an article each month to Gerri for Butterflyer and in beginning stages of Workshop planning.
- 4) Butterflyer: Gerri – “Get A Sponsor” this month and “All Are Welcome” next month. The “Ask Ms. Butterflyer” Article about updating info got responses as did the CHI-WIF Speakers Article.
- 5) Webmaster: Gerri – is maintaining, but we have no Webmaster. We need to ask around OA and possibly hire someone to update and maintain.

## Special Events:

- 1) Dave asked us to consider putting on workshops for 2017.
- 2) Mary and Leanna volunteered to help planning workshops. Check OA website for more info. A 12-Step Yoga was discussed.
- 3) Sara announced a new B2B Meeting forming in River Forest.

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## Unfinished Business:

- 1) Still hoping to increase Intergroup participation. Intergroup to sponsor a workshop and ask member groups to "Host" for more participation.
- 2) Nominations for Officers to be done. Kimberlie read about positions from By Laws:
  - a) Dave – nominated for Chair.
  - b) Laura – nominated for Treasurer.
  - c) Kimberly – nominated for Secretary but declined until 12 months of abstinence/service in CHI-WIF.
  - d) Vice Chair and Secretary – no nominations.
  - e) PIPO – Laura to stay on; Mariana will help.
  - f) By Laws – Kimberlie to stay on.
  - g) TSW – Sandy to stay on.
  - h) Butterflyer – Gerri to stay on
  - i) Region 5 Assembly Report – Finished by Dave C.

## New Business –

- 1) Sandy discussed Illinois Day of Recovery in Bloomington. It was agreed CHI-WIF could afford to send \$250.
- 2) Chris mentioned receiving an email from another intergroup asking if CHI-WIF still maintained an office and he forwarded it to Dave.
- 3) WSBC was discussed. It was agreed CHI-WIF would buy CD's costing about \$200.
- 4) CJ discussed forming a 12- Step Within Study Guide Workshop in May. Gerri mentioned she is involved in a study, beginning Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> in Villa Park. These are 15-Week Workshops that require strong commitment.

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 AM with the OA Promise. The next meeting will be Saturday, May 20, 2017 at 10 AM.

Minutes taken by: Laura W.