



Arkansas

CENTRAL OFFICE COR MEETING REPORT

January 24th, 2018 13 attending. Matt B.-Rock Group, Erin L.- Pig Pen, Matt H.-Pig Pen & Board Member, Natalie Rollins-Cabot, Molly M.- Barely Legal, Trey G.- 120 1/2, Carl R.-Beebe Group, Charlie H.-Beebe Group, Joy N.-Taproot, *Perry D.-Cosmopolitan, Melissa P.- F. Street, Shannon L.-Bridging The Gap, Sandy S.- Reservoir, Tammy A.-Sherwood, Marci H.-Saints We Aint and *Bob W.-Reservoir. *Bob W. is the Office Manager and Perry D. is the Liaison. **COR meets the 4th Wednesday of every month at 5:30pm**

WHAT DID WE LEARN?

REPORT FROM JANUARY WAS APPROVED

Please check your email for the latest report.

... A GOOD START ...

Financial report was approved. Bob talked about income, expenses, donations, wages and toilet paper. He mentioned the major expense was a new color printer. He handed out his financial report. **Noted** was the fact that the money added to the prudent reserve will show up on next months report. **For this month**, total income (sales and donations) was almost the same as last year. Although we had to buy a new color printer we managed to stay within our income for the month. **This is a good start for the year.**

Liaison Report: SHARING Still getting the word out about the 'Sharing Our Sobriety' program.

REPEATING INFO! This is a program that is fellowship wide and most other CO's around the country do this on an ongoing basis. We have not used it ourselves in a few years. Perry passed around the fliers explaining and a self-addressed return envelope. This is a way to honor someone or yourself by donating a dollar or more for each year of sobriety and help the local Central Office. You can also return the donation directly to Central Office. Perry asked the COR's to get this to their groups and if you need more fliers or envelopes to contact him. Perry said he would be glad to come and visit your group with this information. *We have had a trickling in of donations for this, however we will wait until after the Service Auction to get more into ramping it up.* Perry says that he is available just about any time to visit your group and talk about Central Office, service work and the programs we are offering. He handed out sign-up sheets to everyone to take back to their groups. This includes: After-hours phone, In-house volunteer shifts, 12-step callers, speakers, ride services and of course The Activities Committee. **There is a real need for 12-steppers during the day right now. Activities note: The Service Auction event is coming up soon. March 17th and we are lagging behind in things to auction off and volunteer participation. Please get the fliers and information out to your group.** Thanks, Perry

2 Shifts Available **In-house Volunteers:** We have 2 openings for the front office Bookstore.

Bob announced what shift and details on what is entailed in the job. Forwarding the phone seems to be the toughest chore.

REPEATING INFO! After-hours Volunteers Have New Instructions We are NOW fully implementing our new 12-step caller program. Of course, this is all about our primary purpose. Connecting the Alcoholic 12-stepper with spiritual tools to the still suffering alcoholic. ***This is the most important thing your Central Office does!*** If you are an after-hours volunteer and are not up to speed on the New Program please call Bob at Central Office. ➡ **Update:** Matt H. is still calling after-hours volunteers to make sure they are informed and are using the new 12-step caller program.

SPONSORSHIP SEMINARS We discussed having sponsorship seminars/workshops at Central Office. Bob explained his idea.

WINTER HOLIDAY! We had great fun at the Convention. More info at the next COR meeting.

Top O' The Mornin' To Ya' ! The A.A. Service Auction is coming up on March 17 (St. Patrick's Day) from 10am- 2pm at Burns Park. We are going to treat this more like a regular meeting. Opening prayers, introducing a speaker, passing the basket, circling up and closing with a prayer. There will be an anonymous live musician, soups and sandwiches, silent and live auction items. Please pass out fliers! **Alcoholics only** can donate a talent, a specific service or any gift item to be auctioned off, ie., A service would be dog sitting. It seems talents and services are very similar.

No old business. New Business: We need a new Board Member. This position will fill out the rest of an out-going board members term. The Bylaws say we can have only one Board Member from the same group. It is suggested that a Board Member have 2 years of sobriety. If a Board Member is elected to an unexpired term they will complete the unexpired term (this term ends 12-31-18) and will be eligible for re-election to 3 more 2 year terms. Bob said he would **email** the functions of being a Board Member to all COR Members. Shannon L. nominated **Joe R. of Bridging The Gap** and Melissa P. nominated **Jeff L. of F Street**. We discussed carrying the nominations over to next month's COR Meeting. Perry made this motion. Motion was approved. Bob asked for constructive criticism of his Financial Reports. What he could do better or differently. We all had questions and opinions. ***We always ask what we can do for you and what we can do for you better. Your ideas and opinions are much needed...*** we closed with the Lord's Prayer.