

Lake Norman Area of NA – Outreach Subcommittee

MINUTES – October 26, 2008

Called meeting to order at approximately 4:00 pm.
Open with Serenity Prayer, 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts

Attendance:

Outreach Chairperson – Kyle L.
Outreach Vice-Chairperson – Cameron V.
PR Coordinator – Vacant
H&I Coordinator – Absent (Doug W.)
Recording Secretary – Karen H.
Web Development – Jamie F.
Additional members – Mary J.

Reviewed and Approved minutes from September meeting – NOTE that H&I meeting at 5th Street Shelter in Statesville had already closed at the time of the Outreach meeting.

Officer Reports:

Outreach Chairperson – No calls received back from facilities contacted. Frustrating, but must keep trying. To get e-mail addresses for contact people. Input: Need to persevere, but handle gently. We may be able to make better contact when we send mailings.

PR Coordinator – Vacant

H&I Coordinator – Absent

H&I Panel Leader – (October) - None

Recording Secretary – Providing information today as asked: project list for Committee; Poster Day flyer (need to correct Kyle's phone number)

Web Development – Some updates made. Need to re-visit logo: suggestions included a "sail" or "water" design, to show Lake Norman.

Nominations: Kevin L. for PR Coordinator? Kyle to make contact via phone or e-mail. Needs to attend Committee meeting.

Old Business:

- Orientation at Homegroups – progress report: All business meeting information available has been received. To approach Lincoln/Denver or Statesville first!
- Helpline activation support – progress? Currently 8-10 members on the list. Still need to build support. To set up orientation AFTER testing the system.
- Contact with facilities: See Chairperson's report above – keep trying!
 - o Appropriate Placement Program (APO) affiliated with Iredell County Jail system
 - o Crisis Recovery Center
 - o IOP at New River Behavioral Health – Mike Baker: 704-873-1114 (MWF, 9am-12)
 - o Lincoln County Jail – Cameron to check on information.
- Progress on mailing list for packets: Is project ready to begin?
 - o Cost of postcards = \$16.00 for 200 through Kwik Kopy
 - o Postage = \$.42/packet x 200 = \$84.00; \$.27/card x 200 = \$54.00
 - o List of facilities – to add more! Mary to help with work.
 - o Need to generate cover letter for packets, to include contact information for Carolina Region and World.

- Project List – set priorities – Done, see attached list. Top priorities at this time are:
 - o Keep meeting schedules and phoneline recording up-to-date.
 - o Keep Regional website up-to-date.
 - o Begin homegroup Outreach orientations.
 - o Complete mailing list and cover letter for packets. Finish first quarterly mailing!

- Poster Day – set for November 22, 9:00am, meet at Bob Evans, I-77/Exit 36.

Sharing Session: questions, concerns, ideas – None

New Business:

- Helpline research:
 - o Cost of Area/Outreach supplying cell phones to volunteers?
After much discussion, the decision was made to NOT supply cell phones, as they could easily be abused by volunteers using for personal calls. The reality is that very few calls ever need a direct contact with an addict – the vast majority are simply looking for meeting information.
 - o How to rotate responsibility? It will be simple to change the phone number(s) that will receive the message/text from the PhonePeople system. Can be shifted monthly or quarterly, depending on how many calls are received and/or how long volunteers are willing to be the contact. MWBR...

- Principles Before Personalities has volunteered to host meetings on Thanksgiving Day, with support of Activities Committee: Thursday, November 27, 10am – 10pm. Flyer has been created for distribution; to be placed on CRNA website (Karen).
Question: What about Grateful Group? Bobby H. needs to contact Cameron...

Next Outreach Subcommittee meeting: Sunday, November 23, 4:00 p.m. at Meadowlake

Next Area Service Committee meeting: Sunday, November 9, 3:30 p.m. at Meadowlake

Next Regional PR/H&I/Webteam Committee meeting date – Saturday, December 13, 10:00am in Fort Mill, SC

Next Regional Service Committee meeting date: Saturday, January 10, 2009, 10am, location to be announced.

Closed meeting with Serenity Prayer at 5:45pm