

Barbara S. opened the meeting at 9:05am with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. She thanked everyone for driving the long distance to Livingston and offered a new respect for travelers driving to Beaumont.

A quorum was established.

Chairman's Report: Shirley Amburn volunteered at the AIS office for twenty years and passed away a few months ago. Discussion ensued about the AIS office, 24-hour hotline and store. With the drastic decrease in volunteers, the store is only operating on T, W, and Th. The hotline is running on a skeleton crew and remote call forwarding is more vital from Th-T morning. A 2 ft. wooden shelf is needed on the office and Barbara G. volunteered Sal to make it.

Secretary's Report: April's minutes were questionable but after a group discussion, Jennifer S. moved to accept the current minutes and Victoria W. 2nd. Minutes were accepted as is.

Treasurer's Report: Tiffani H. reports that we have \$161.73 in our checking account and \$734.66 in our savings account after transferring \$400 from savings to checking. Barbara S. explained the appeal letter and envelopes to be passed to groups for fundraising to revive our checking account. Tish F. asked GR's to enlighten groups on desperateness when appealing for donations.

Office Manager's Report: Gloria announced that CD has resigned and she will be working Tuesday 10-3 instead of Monday. Individual contributions have declined. Store hours have decreased due to lack of volunteers leaving book sales to decline as well. Tyler area LC has closed and we provided literature sales to them. We will continue to service them. She thanked Candy G. for organizing and updating the call-forwarding list for proper rotation of call forwarding volunteers and availability. The large Spanish service manuals are on backorder. Barbara S. appreciated and thanked Gloria for a fantastic job.

Committee and Liaison Reports:

1. AIS Liaison- Suzanne R. Suzanne reported that the AWSC meeting in August is in San Antonio. The fall assembly is in Victoria and we will sell our literature there.
2. Webmaster-Jennifer S. Keep her informed of updates and she welcomes suggestions.
3. Nominating Committee-No report. Need volunteers. Two years in a row, April 2017 and April 2018, the Nominating Committee inadvertently missed presenting a slate for incoming Nominating Committee to be voted. (By-Laws Article 8.4)
4. Auditing Committee-No report. Need volunteers
5. Budget Committee-No report, Need volunteers
6. By-Laws Committee-Suzanne R., Diane B.,
7. Fundraising Committee: Diane B., reports that despite the decline of volunteers and decline in monetary contributions, the store/office has seen worst days. Without a fundraiser our account will zero out at the end of the year. Betty and Tish made book covers to sell. Barbara G. has some to sell at the conference and appeal letters for cash donations are going out to groups. [L] [SEP]

Old Business: [L] [SEP] Fundraising was discussed.

By-laws were discussed. After using KBDM (knowledge based decision making process), Jennifer S. made a motion to rewrite by-laws simplifying them and moving job descriptions and committees to a separate document. Barbara G. seconded the motion. Motion passed. The By-Laws Committee (Suzanne R. Chairman), will make recommendations at the next quarterly meeting. An informal

show of hands was in favor of reducing the # of Board Members from 11 to 7.

New Business: ^{[[]]}_{SEP} none

Next Meeting : The next meeting will be hosted by Siempre Hay Espiranza and Renacer in Beaumont, tentatively on October 19th, location TBD.

The meeting was closed at 10:27am with the Al-Anon/Alateen Declaration.

Respectfully Submitted, Keithia Armand