

## **AL-ANON DISTRICT 8 MEETING MINUTES- January 15, 2022**

**OPENING** - Nina opened the meeting at 10:44am. Quorum established. Moment of silence, serenity prayer, introductions, welcome, reading of 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts of Service and Warranties.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT** – Angela S. made a motion to accept the minutes via email and Barbara G. seconded the motion. Minutes unanimously accepted “as sent”.

**TREASURER'S REPORT** – Our finances are healthy - The ending balance as of 12/31/2021 was \$2,565.56. However, Nina expects more expenses incurred this year due to in person meetings resuming. In addition, the contribution to WSO was not made last year but this year will be \$240.00. Barbara G. and Diane both supported and encouraged the contribution. The group was also supportive of the donation. In addition, all groups are encouraged to donate to all 4 arms of Al-Anon since expenses will be going up with the return to more travel and in person meetings.

### **COORDINATOR/COMMITTEE REPORTS** –

**AIS Liaison Report:** Barbara G. reported she is concentrating on Literature explaining that it was decided “way back when” that the wording in ODAT and Dilemma of an Alcoholic Marriage would never be changed. She also encouraged everyone to look up what the Alternate Delegate has to say in her report in the Beacon.

**PUBLIC OUTREACH INFORMATION** – Position still vacant. In the meantime, it is up to all of us to help distribute literature and find speakers as needed.

**LITERATURE REPORT** – See info above under the AIS Liaison Report.

**DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT** – Nina reported that at the Area Meeting a new secretary was elected since Jennifer moved to Maine. They still need a new Records coordinator.

She also reported that there was a lengthy discussion about allowing e-groups to be part of the Area Assembly. Nina and Barbara both said it was quite confusing and in the end a small thought group was formed to re-examine how it would work and the pros and cons. Nina mentioned that Electronic meetings could have an effect on our District – if they are voted to be accepted.

Nina still working to keep the meeting list updated. It's been a challenge since she is taking over for Jennifer – our former Webmaster. Sharon M. was asked to assist Nina to learn the website system. Sharon has graciously accepted and will help to update and train.

An update was given on our groups by the GR's present and those that Nina had received an update on.

**OLD BUSINESS.** Vacant positions - Treasurer and Public Outreach Information.

**NEW BUSINESS** – Suzanne made a motion to remove Jennifer Stejskal from the District 8 Checking Account and add Diane Bass to the Account. Barbara Grove seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Nina discussed the need to prepare a budget for 2022. She will be working on it since we don't have a treasurer and will present it at our next meeting. She added that the DR expenses will be increasing.

District 8 will host the 2023 Fall Assembly. We will hold onto the raffle items collected in 2020 to be raffled at the assembly in November, 2023. Groups and individuals will also be asked to make donations to the raffle.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS/CONCERNS**

**NEXT DISTRICT MEETING** - April 9, 2022, @ 9 am., hosted by the ----- group. The address is 410 Bryant Boulevard, Bridge City, TX 77611. \$65.00 was collected for the host group.

**CLOSING:** at 12:40 pm. with Al-Anon Declaration

Respectfully Submitted,

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