

Medford Fellowship Group  
Business Meeting  
Meeting Minutes

Date: December 11, 2017

# Attending: 14

Meeting called to order @ 6:04 By Julia B

Position: Chairperson

Serenity prayer led by Julia B

12 Traditions led by Jaime

Concept 12 read by Leanne

Roll Call by Secretary Coordinator: Kathy (Roll Call to be attached for record)

**Reports:**

**Secretary's Report**

**Secretary to read Meeting Minutes from last meeting by:** Written by Jaqui, read by Carol B

- Comments or Corrections: Correct
- Frank, pg 2 Activities, correct spelling of Jessica; Jaqui is Secretary, Leanne is treasurer.

Motion to Accept as corrected: Jess      Seconded by: Leanne

**Vote: # in Favor 14 # Opposed 0 Motion Carries:Yes X No**

**Treasurer's Report by Leanne:**

Bank Statements available; Report is attached

**Discussion:** Discussed lack of attendance, issues with lack of secretary at two meetings probably contributing to lower numbers. Lower numbers lead to lower 7th Tradition.

Motion to Accept as provided: Jess      Seconded by: Kathy

**Vote: # in Favor 14 # Opposed 0 Motion Carries:Yes X No**

**GSR Report By:** Jess

Reports and flyers, if applicable, are attached

Verbal overview

- Area 58 meeting - 4 pages of notes
- Christmas potluck being organized. There will be turkey, sign up sheets are on the board for other dishes. Sign up soon.
- Jess has posted sign up sheets for leaders for marathon meetings. We need volunteers to take those meetings so others will have a place to go.
- There are no New Year's Eve plans at this time.
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- There is a District 16 meeting December 20, 7 pm at the Smullen Center.
- There is a speaker meeting in January.
- Other information in the report. Needs to be attached.

Motion to Accept as provided: Kathy      Seconded by: Jaimie

**Vote: # in Favor 14   # Opposed 0   Motion Carries: Yes X   No**

**Central Office Report by: Kathy**

**Reports and flyers, if applicable, are attached .**

**Verbal overview:**

- No written report or flyers
- Central office is working on a calendar of events for the year for the area. As events are scheduled, the calendar can be used to avoid conflicts.

**Vote: # in Favor 14   # Opposed 0   Motion Carries: Yes X   No**

**Liturature Report by: Frank (Cia not in attendance)**

**Report and flyers (If applicable are attached).**

**Verbal overview:**

- Frank reported that there has been an uptick in sales (based on budget)
- No vote taken as there was no formal report

Motion to Accept as provided:      Seconded by:

**Vote: # in Favor   # Opposed   Motion Carries: Yes   No**

**Activities Report by: Jess and Kathy**

Reports and flyers, if applicable, are attached.

**Verbal report:**

- Thanksgiving was ok. Fewer participated in the potluck than previous years.
- The marathon on Thanksgiving was not very successful. There were only 2 or 3 extra meetings that people took responsibility for leading.
- For Christmas, there is a list of added meetings needed. Please sign up.
- There is also a potluck planned for Christmas. Please sign up for dishes. Jess, Mollie, and Kathy volunteered to cook turkeys.
- **\*\*Kathy and Jess have resigned from the Activities committee.**
- **\*\*Proposal\*\* (Should this be new or old business for next month?) IF someone wants to develop/lead an activity, come to the business meeting and propose it. It can then be announced in all the meetings.**

Motion to Accept as provided: Leanne      Seconded by: Jess

Vote: # in Favor 14    # Opposed 0 Motion Carries: Yes X No

**Archivist Report by: Laurie H**

Reports and flyers, if applicable, are attached

No Report

**Alano Club Liason by: Marty**

Reports and flyers, if applicable, are attached.

**Verbal Overview**

No report

**Observance of the 7th Tradition:**

**Old Business: (Anything that was tabled from the last meeting)**

**Item: 2018 Budget Review: Frank**

- Budget was first developed on previous budgets and past expense.
- There was some hint that the rent might go up, so a second budget was developed to account for the rent increase.

- The current proposed budget reflects the rent at its current rate
- District 16 asked for an increase, Central Office said it did not need its current level, so the amounts the two are budgeted have been flipped.
- GSR travel request has been accommodated
- The Literature budget has been reduced. It is now the dollars in for purchased literature will be used to buy replacement literature. There is no budget for lost or stolen books.
- The Miscellaneous category is down because we haven't needed the current higher budgeted amount
- Regarding the lease: We have a lease; it can be broken. We need to stick to the agreement. We are not tenants; we are room renters. We have access to the room from  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour before the meeting until  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour after the meeting. We do not have unlimited access.
- The Alano budget is tight, as is ours. Alano is making the front restroom Handicapped Accessible. They do not yet have a contractor, so do not have a budget. We may be asked to help pay for this construction, and so may have to do a 7th Tradition Campaign.
- Attendance is down at the meetings, and so contributions (our source of income) are down
- **Motion to accept as provided : Frank Seconded: Leanne**

**Vote: # in Favor 14 # Opposed 0 Motion Carries: Yes x No**

Thanksgiving dinner and marathon meetings covered in other reports, no vote taken on either.

**New Business: (Anything not provided to the chair or secretary prior to the meeting)**

**Item: Resignation of Committee chairs By:**

Discussion: Lots of people resigning; Jess will make a flyer recruiting new chairs  
 Kathy resigned as Secretary Coordinator. Jaqui resigned as Secretary. Kim volunteered to take over as Secretary Coordinator. Mollie and Carol volunteered to take over as Secretary.  
 No votes were taken.

**Item: Birthday meeting By: Jess**

Discussion: The end of the year birthday meeting last year was on New Year's Eve; all other birthday meetings are on the last Saturday of the month. The discussion was that this meeting should be on the last Saturday as well. No vote.

**Item: Beginners meeting budget By: ?**

Discussion: The current meeting secretary is spending more one month, less the next, than what is budgeted. As long as the spending averages out to the amount budgeted, that is acceptable. No vote

**Next meeting to be held on January 8, 2018 at 6 pm.**

**Adjournment @ 7:00 pm.**

Motion to Accept as provided:            Seconded by:

**Vote: # in Favor   # Opposed   Motion Carries: Yes   No**

**Closed with the Serenity Prayer Led by Julia**

**Meeting Minutes approved and posted: Date \_\_\_\_\_**

**Signatures:**

**Signature of Recording Secretary: Carol B/ Mollie O**

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**Signature of Chairperson: Julia B.**

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