

EVI Business Meeting Minutes

March 12, 2007

I 6:32: Open with the Serenity Prayer

II 6:34: Introductions & clipboard sign-in

Introductions were made around the room. Determined we have a quorum.

III.638: Announcements

- District 6 is having a pancake breakfast on March 31st at 8 am at Church at 166 E. 16th.
- Communication Committee is recruiting members and will meet after the monthly business meeting.
- Activities Committee is having Glow Golf on Saturday, March 17 for St. Patrick's Day. Also having a Root Beer Kegger in summer.
- Any flyers or posters can be posted at Angel's "Courage to Change" store.

IV.6:40 Old Business

1. Open Positions

EVI Secretary position

Kurt was nominated. Kurt gave his service resume which includes a 9/28/87 sobriety date, newsletter chair, EVI chair, alternate chair of CTF and currently the EVI bookkeeper.

Lisa was also nominated. Her sobriety date is 3/8/04. She has been co-chair of the website and secretary of her home group.

Vote: Kurt – 9 Lisa – 18

Lisa is elected our new secretary. Her phone number is 689-3365.

Member at Large

Angel was nominated at the last month's meeting. Angels gave his service resume which includes service work for the past 18 years including past EVI chair and local area positions.

Kurt was also nominated. Kurt gave his service resume previously.

Vote: Angel – 13; Kurt – 13

Revote: Angel – 13; Kurt – 16

Kurt is elected as our new Member-at-Large.

Outreach Chair

Deena nominated Angel. No other nominations. Votes was taken and Angel was nominated unanimously.

EVI Co-Chair

Tim offered his candidacy. He gave his service resume which includes a 1/1998 sobriety date and various service positions in his group. He has also been a DCM, Literature Chair, and a trouble-maker. Vote was taken and Tim was elected unanimously.

H&I Co-Chair

No one was nominated. Someone asked what the H&I chair does. Annie explained the “duties” which include taking minutes, recruiting volunteers. This needs to go back to the groups.

Meeting List Co-Chair

Rick was nominated. His service resume includes a 1/10/1995 sobriety date as well as all home group service positions. He is currently doing work for the State Corrections Committee; has been coffee chair at Summerfest and the Coffee Cup guy at the Assembly. Vote was taken and Rick was elected unanimously.

Newsletter Co-Chair

Someone asked what the duties of the Newsletter co-chair are. By end of the rotation the co-chair should know how to publish the newsletter. Lots of effort goes in right before the Business Meeting to get it published. Newsletter Committee is using a personal copy of “In Design” software.

6:59 2. Grapevine Coordinator

Gus mentioned that when he got sober there were a lot of Grapevines on the shelf. Now there aren't so many. AA publishing arm puts out other publications as well. EVI also use to “loan” out copies of the Grapevine. The idea is for the Grapevine Coordinator to take the Grapevine out to the groups. Bill mentioned that EVI has been having problems filling other service positions. An idea is to have Outreach take this on. But Angel mentioned that Grapevine and Outreach should be (and are) separate. One group (Emily) thought it was a duplication of effort. We have a State Coordinator for this. Tim said his group has a Grapevine rep. and his group has copies available. Steve said most of his folks didn't know about the Grapevine and his group would like to see EVI take this on. Lisa said her group is all for it. Bob said

Financial Review Board also needs to be filled and address the issue of rent, prudent reserve and how to shore up income.

EVI email list for Newsletter

Martha brought up the idea of having someone in their group be on a mailing list to receive the newsletter and distribute it to their group. It would be voluntary. The newsletter is on the web site, but it seems to make a difference if an email goes right to someone. Faithful Fivers should be getting the newsletter.

VI. 7:27 Committee Reports

Activities – Deena

The last event – the Valentine’s Day Dance – was very successful. Glow-in-the-dark Golf is coming up – see the website. Root Beer kegger and flyer of upcoming events is on the horizon.

Archivist – Johanna

Nothing new to report.

Diverter – Dave

Dave is rotating out and Mike will be rotating in.

Communication – Wesite: Bill

Bill mentioned that the Communications Committee will be starting up again. This committee needs volunteers. There are jobs to do for volunteers to learn such things as web site stuff, pagemaker, etc. Bill has email addresses for contacts. Volunteers need to be comfortable with computers. Bill also mentioned that he can post Wordpad or Word documents on the website. We have enough stuff to create a calendar of events that will list committee meetings, activities, etc.

Communication – Meeting List: Bill A.

New meeting guides are out and they seem to be selling well.

Communication – Newsletter – Tanya

The newsletter is out. More will be printed since it looks like we ran out.

H&I – Annie

Everything is going well. Rap sheet shows 14 positions open in H&I. They have figured out the terms for their service positions so they know when positions should open up.

Literature – Rick

Nothing to report.

Office Coordinator – Mary

A window was broken by an angry person and has been replaced by the landlord. Coffee machine is working.

Outreach – Angel

Just getting going. :>)

PI – Deb

Nothing to report.

Speaker Meeting – Gary

Attendance was down a bit. Need to get the flyers out sooner. Child care has been discontinued due to church rules. May change locations. Still bringing speakers in from outside.

Treasurer – Wes

Wes reported that contributions are down – only \$596 last month. Had \$1,442 in expenses, but over \$900 was for new meeting lists.

Steering Committee – Bill

Bill thanked the group for filling positions. We need people to step forward as much as we need money to run things.

7:40 Meeting Closed with the Serenity Prayer

Respectfully submitted – Cress B. – EVI Member at Large.