

THE OHIO STATE STEERING COMMITTEE

Richard M.-Chair, Penryn C.-Co-Chair, Charles S.-Treasurer,
Gary M.-Co-Treasurer, Larry C.-Secretary, Jeff Y.-Co-Secretary

MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 23, 2001

Richard M. (SSC Co-chair) opened the meeting of the State Steering Committee at 10:00 am with the Serenity Prayer. The meeting was held at the Whetstone Branch Library, 3909 N. High Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43214.

Those in attendance included:

Rhonda B, [Dayton committee Treasurer]
Linda A, [Dayton Secretary]
Janice P, [Dayton Co-chair]
Dan M, Dayton
Vaughn B, Dayton
Dave D, Dayton
Jason G, Columbus
Pat P, Strongsville
Chris P, [Cleveland delegate]
Cathy, Toledo bid committee 2003
Gary M, Toledo [SSC co-treasurer]
Charlie S, Canton [SSC co-treasurer]
Richard M, Toledo [SSC co-chair]
Penryn C, Cincinnati [SSC co-chair]
Jeff Y, Cleveland [SSC co-secretary]
Larry C, Columbus [SSC co-secretary]
Amy, [Cincinnati delegate]
Mary Jo R., [Toledo delegate]
Kathy J, Toledo
Rodney K, [Warren delegate]
Bob S, [Akron-Canton-Massillon bid committee 2002]

OLD BUSINESS

1. Dayton Committee Report
 - a) Springfield people have shouldered a lot of the support and work of the roundup. Fund-raisers have been poorly attended, perhaps because of falling median income of Dayton area AA members.
 - b) Saturday night banquet speaker has been secured, still working on getting other speakers. Al-Anon program shaping up.
 - c) Registration forms for roundup were distributed to all present.

- d) Registration committee still waiting for mailing list.
- e) Financial statement presented to SSC current to June 23, 2001.
- f) Perhaps city delegates could raise funds for committee by pre-selling t-shirts in their home areas? Cincinnati committee donated a pinball machine to Dayton committee to be raffled off. Additional fund-raising ideas were discussed; a brown-bag speaker at lunch on Saturday?

Question from Dayton Committee:

Q. What topics did the SSC want to see in the program? AA basics only or other issues too like smoking, food addictions?

A. Committee suggested that we remember our singleness of purpose. "Tradition Five: Each [AA] group has but one primary purpose - to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers." Look at other roundup programs for ideas. Ask people from other cities to do specific workshops. City delegates and General Service people in the area can be resources for speakers. Other examples offered included: Physical recovery, sexual/relationships & AA, oldtimers panel, writing workshops, feelings vocabulary workshop, 4th Step How-to-do-it, financial sobriety, God of our own understanding, a spiritual path, special interest meetings – their use and abuse, young and gay in AA.

Treasurer's Report presented by Charlie S.

- New Maturity date for Certificate of Deposit is February 20, 2002
- Balances
 - Money market statement account = \$ 9,051.55
 - Certificate of Deposit @ 4.25% = \$ 3,911.39
 - Total funds on hand.....\$ 12,962.94

Larry C moved to accept the treasurer's report, seconded, passed.

Penryn C reported that a check for \$2,000 was given to SSC from the Cincinnati committee. Several checks were returned to Cincinnati committee for non-payment, including one for \$280. Balance of account will be turned over to Charlie S in amount of \$152.43.

Larry C is continuing his work to update the Charter.

Scholarship statement, as amended at the February meeting, has been included on the Dayton registration forms.

"There may be a limited number of scholarships available on a first-come, first-served basis. Priority will be given to first time requests. The Registration Committee will review all other requests. Scholarships are not transferable. Your home group will be responsible for fund-raising efforts for additional scholarships."

Discussion ensued as to the statement "first-come, first served". Isn't

this just encouraging the same behavior exhibited last year? Whoever copies a bunch of letters this afternoon and mails them in, gets all the scholarships?

Jeff Y moved, Larry C seconded to strike the phrase "...available on a first-come, first-served basis" from the Scholarship Statement. Motion passed.

Dayton Committee instructed not to reprint flyers at this late date. Registration Committee will however review applications regardless of date of receipt.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) New meeting place discussed. General agreement that new location is better than church location. People were indifferent to Sat vs. Sun.
- 2) Motion from Larry C, second by Jason G to set future meeting dates on the last Saturday in February at 11:00 am and at 10:00 am on the day of Pridefest during the last weekend in June. Motion passed.
- 3) Decision to change name of our governing document from "charter" to "by-laws" will be reflected in changes being made by Larry C.
- 4) Next meeting on August 25, 2001 at the Roundup, Time and Room tba in the conference program.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:55 am

Respectfully submitted,
Jeffrey A. Your
June 25, 2001