June 7, 2016 KC Gamblers Anonymous Minutes of Meeting

Intergroup Meeting minutes

Tuesday, June 7, 2016

First Baptist Church’ Shawnee, Ks

Meeting opened with moment of silence and Sought My Soul prayer.

Acting Meeting Chair Brian J

Attendees Brian J, Larry W, Tom W, Joe S, Kathy M and Lesa S

-Sunday evening North KCMo

Averaging 6-12 members last month. No new members

Anniversaries: Dan W June 4th for 5 years and Larry W June 17th for 7 years

-Monday evening Overland Park, Ks

Averaging 6-7 members last month. 1 new member

No reported anniversaries

-Tuesday evening Shawnee, Ks

Averaging between 20-25 members No new members

Annette G June 17th for 18 years and Jesse M June 15th for 3 years

-Wednesday noon KCMo

Averaging about 2 members. No anniversaries

-Wednesday evening Lees Summit, Mo

Averaging 20-25 members No reported anniversaries

-Wednesday evening KCK

Averaging 4-5 members No anniversaries

-Thursday evening Overland Park, Ks

Averaging 4-8 members No reported anniversaries

-Friday evening Shawnee, Ks

Averaging 10-18 members no new members

No reported anniversaries

There were no Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, Pressure Relief, Public Relations, Social,

Fundraising Website, nor Mini Conference representation to make any reports.

Hotline committee

Joe S reported 14 telephone calls, Eight (8) of them quite lengthy conversations.

Hendricks Toyota fundraiser

Volunteers from GA will start this Saturday , June 11th. We are in need of -4- volunteers for July 23rd,2016. There was no discussion of garage sale since intergroup voting remained.

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Area Trustee

Brian J and Linda J both attended the Phoenix International A conference. Brian described the gathering as “excellent” and he will get with Linda to generate their report details.

Literature committee

Reported no activity; however Kathy is in contact with Linda J on supplies for the June22-24 Midwest Conference on Problem Gambling. Brian directed Kathy to return to ISO office any literature on the GA Abuse & Harassment pamphlets to be destroyed by ISO.

Old Business

Thursday, June 16th

GA picnic at Brookridge Park

Saturday, June 18

GA Potluck

Journey House

Sponsored by Wednesday Noon (KCMo) and Wednesday evening (KCK)

Intergroup Voting on Positions

These positions will go into effect on July 1, 2016

Tom W recommended that the group leave positions with no nominees open and to have trusted servants publish the remaining openings to membership.

-Chairperson:

Sarah C volunteered and was voted in.

-Secretary: open

-Treasurer: open previously Dawn J

-Pressure Relief: open previously Linda J

-Public Relations open previously Kevin B

-Social: open

-HOTLINE:

Joe S will remain.

-Area Trustees:

Linda J has volunteered and Brian J said that he would continue if no one else was interested.

-Literature:

Kathy M will remain.

-Fundraising:

Lesa S. volunteered and we need another person to help out.

-Website:

Kevin C will remain.

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Feedback regarding Area Meetings:

Lesa S. restated her objections and suggestions that individual weekly meetings have more structure. Brian suggested that GA literature be checked. He indicated that similar past problems had arose in past years. Tom W. cautioned that intergroup cannot dictate what meetings do, nor how to run them, rather intergroup can only make suggestions. Tom W suggested that meetings become investigated by the area trustees.

Larry W. recalled a past experience where because of conflicts the meeting was cancelled and disturbances continued in the parking lot. Brian then told us that the International GA policy on conflicts advises to call the police. Brian recommended that meeting attendees, led by the trusted servant, vote on the person in question, remaining or being asked to leave the meeting.

Tom W. asked that the Thursday night preamble be used to create a flyer that could be distributed to group membership. Bill H. read the “AA preamble” that he carries. Larry W. recommended that intergroup hold a meeting specifically on GA meeting outline and procedures. Lesa S. said that she and Sara C. had already composed an outline utilizing the Thursday night preamble. One copy was available, and passed around. Tom W stated that in the past people have become familiar with group procedures; however membership changes and procedures and policies are forgotten. It was decided that area trustees bring copies of GA meeting guidelines back to be discussed at the July 2016 intergroup meeting.

The meeting was closed with the serenity prayer.