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**35th Annual Sunshine of the Spirit**

**High Desert Convention**

**“To Thine Own Self Be True”**

**Meeting Minutes**

**November 29, 2018**

**Action items in blue, person(s) responsible in red**

1. **Call to Order**

Carol W, Committee Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Victorville Holiday Inn with the Serenity Prayer led by Chris M. Those in attendance: Carol W., Dave B., Chris M., Cindy T., Dave B., David W., Jennifer P., Kim W., Laura M. Linda K., Lindsey M., Liz. J., Maribel L., Melissa S., Randi S., Shelley M. Steve E., and Sue C.

1. **Approval of Minutes of August 23, 2018**. The minutes of the September 27, 2018 meeting were read. It was moved by Laura M. and seconded by Liz J. that the minutes be approved. The motion carried.
2. **Reports**
   1. **Chairperson** – Carol W

No report.

* 1. **Co-Chairperson** – Jennifer P

No report.

* 1. **Treasurer** – Linda K

Linda K provided the Treasurer’s Report. There was a $1000.00 deposit made to Holiday Inn but the check had not yet cleared. The opening balance was $5,626.24. There were bank fees of $3.00 and the ending balance was $5,623.24. The beginning balance for petty cash was $50.37 on October 25, 2018. There was $11.00 collected from the 7th tradition, making an ending petty cash balance of $61.37.

* 1. **Co-Treasurer** – Shelly J.

Called in. No report.

* 1. **Secretary** – Dave B.

No report

* 1. **Co-Secretary** – OPEN
  2. **Registrar** – Liz J

No report except to say the registration form has been corrected. There are no errors and we are ready to open convention registration on Dec. 1st.

* 1. **Co-Registrar** – Randi S

No report

* 1. **Al-Anon Chairperson** – Nicole S

Not present. Did not call in. Al-Anon has met and will have Saturday festivities and luncheon in the Palm Room. Per Carol, we will share expenses for that room.

* 1. **Archivist** – Bill C

Not present.

* 1. **Carry the Message** - OPEN
  2. **Decorations** – Cindy T

She stated she will bring samples to the January meeting to look at.

* 1. **Entertainment** – Shelley M.

Shelley showed a video of mentalist, Rob G. The cost should be approximately $500.00. Carol asked if he needed a sound system. Saturday night, there will be a dance or karaoke possibly with Michael of Diamond Bar as DJ. Shelley asked if there would be a room for the DJ. Carol stated the cost of a room is $94 dollars a night before May 27th not including tax and gratuities. This cost would come out of her budget if provided. Saturday afternoon BBQ – there may be a DJ or an iPad may be used for music. For the Saturday Night Dance/Entertainment, it was suggested that we charge a $5 fee for those who are not registered for the convention. This would encourage newcomers who can’t afford to attend the convention with an opportunity to come and experience the “fun” you can experience in sobriety. Shelley moved that we charge a $5 entrance fee at the door and Liz J. seconded. The question was not called for as Carol explained that this action would require action from the Board of Directors. She stated she can bring it up with the Board at their February 4, 2019 meeting..

* 1. **Co-Entertainment** – Tiffany C.

Not present.

* 1. **Golf Tournament** – Robert P

Not present. Jennifer covered for Robert. The Green Tree will be the same price as AVGC. El Pescador will have the same lunch prices. The course should be open by December per contract.

* 1. **General Service Meeting** – Lesliee A

Not present

* 1. **H&I Meeting** – Melissa S

Melissa has not confirmed the speaker. If no speaker by January we will find another. Per Carol, we need a speaker name by the March meeting.

* 1. **Hospitality** – Steve E

No report.

* 1. **Hostesses** – Kim W and Lindsay M

No report.

* 1. **Hosts** – Danny D and David W

Per David, Danny could not call in. No report.

* 1. **Long Timers Meeting** – Mary Ellen S

Called in.

* 1. **Marathon Meetings** – OPEN

Carol suggested the time (40 hours) could be broken up into four blocks so that one person does not have the full responsibility during the convention. Jennifer so moved and Dave B. seconded.

* 1. **Poker Run** – Chris M

No report but Chris M. submitted a flyer and new route. Per Kim, registration needs to be at Poker Run AND Golf Tournament to collect money and sell extra cards for golf. 50% will go to the Treasury and 50% to the tournament pot. Melissa suggested Robert could collect for the Golf Tournament.

* 1. **Printing** – Sue C

Sue reiterated we are ready with registration forms and that last year we printed 3000 forms. Patterson Print Shop could not find our account. They were looking for Victor Valley Intergroup and our account is under Sunshine of the Spirit. They will be ready next week per Sue.

* 1. **Programs** – OPEN

Per Carol, the person taking this position would make certain water is provided for speakers, leaders, and readers at each meeting as well as and have the meeting format ready on the podium. Melissa S. volunteered to assume this responsibility.

* 1. **Public Information/Social Media** – Carol W

Carol W stated we should get word out that the rooms are available for $94.00. People can call for rooms using the code “AAC.” Online registration will be available using PayPal. Melissa S brought up that there are apps other than PayPal that do not charge a fee. Melissa S, Linda K, Liz J, Jennifer P, and Carol W will get together to explore these additional apps that may be available for online registration.

* 1. **Speaker Host** – Laura M

Laura stated the Friday and Saturday speakers are taken care of. Craig T. N. has provided us with an unqualified yes as the Saturday Night Speaker. He should be able to provide us with a definite answer after the 1st of the year.

* 1. **T-Shirts** – Maribel L

No report. It was requested that we provide tank tops as an option this year.

* 1. **50/50 and Raffle Drawings** – Deanna L

Not present. No report.

1. **Old Business**
   1. **Logo**

Carol stated that Liz and Randi had chosen a logo and we should stick with it.

* 1. **Fundraiser**

Some ideas for fundraisers raised were a breakfast or lunch with sponsors, a karaoke night and a bingo night. The Alano Club is available for the latter two activities.

1. **New Business**

No new business was discussed.

1. **Meeting Adjournment.**

There being no further business, Shelley M. moved and Liz J seconded to close the meeting at 7:48 pm. The motion carried. Third Step Prayer led by Maribel L.

1. **Next Meeting**: Thursday, January 24, 2019; 6:30 pm; Holiday Inn Victorville

Respectfully Submitted,

Dave B.

2019 Secretary