

Area 53 Central and SE Ohio

Cooperation w/ the Professional Community – Public Information Committee meeting minutes  
September 1, 2019

1. Matt W. opened meeting with Serenity Prayer
2. Attendees: Dave C., Matt W., Cheryl S., Cathy H., Sandee A., Danielle B., Liz L., Carl D. , Lauren T.
3. Minutes of Aug. 4, 2019 meeting were approved.
4. Treasurer Cheryl S. reported the committee's balance was \$171.38. Cheryl reported that checks were written for 7 reimbursement requests for downtown parking (\$84) for staffing of the Addiction Studies Institute (ASI) service commitment. The committee also received, from Cheryl, a CPC-PI financial ledger of all expenses from 2/1/19 to 8/1/19. Cheryl also reported on the ongoing nature of producing the CPC-PI newcomer packet which contains guidelines and other information of importance to for effectively represent the committee in relations with AA and non-AA entities.
5. Chairperson report
  - a. Matt reported that G.S.O. CPC staff regularly corresponds including a recent forwarding of requests for local Area 53 CPC service committee experience. He reported A COGF October 5<sup>th</sup> Sponsorship workshop to be held from 11am – 3 pm at Meadow Park Church. Matt explained in a general way the operation of the CPC-PI literature table used at events like ASI. The committee commitments for (Sep. 4) GCCC Employee Health Fair and (Sep 12) Hope Works job fair staffing were confirmed. Literature supplies were discussed, specifically P-11(The AA Member Medications and Other Drugs and P-87(AA for Alcoholics with Mental Health issues – and their Sponsors.
  - b. Matt reported that he will ask the church for a bigger room for the Oct. 6 CPC-PI Workshop plans for beverages, snacks and presentations are being finalized.
6. Old Business
  - a. Letter to Hospital Administrators: (Rod T. could not make the meeting) Discussion on this project did not result in a vote on the final product. Danielle volunteered to take the letter Rod submitted and produce some versions that, she hoped, would enhance the effectiveness of the information letter. Members of the committee pledged to reach out to Rod with the hope of finally producing group conscience-approved letter. Also touched on was how to best represent the committee, remembering the committee Primary Purpose. All members were urged, again, to bring their alternative letter submissions to October meeting.
  - b. Gay Pride Parade Service opportunity: Several key details including non –profit discount and location accommodations have not been clarified. More details are being pursued.
7. New Business
  - a. LGBTQ focus Health fair Oct. 17: Carl reported that Equitas Health is presenting a LGBTQ-related health information event at the OSU Fawcett Center. He was ok'd to look into setting up a CPC-PI table.

- b. The committee supported Carl, who volunteered to reach out to Otterbein University on possible CPC-PI opportunities.
- 8. Final notes :
  - a. The CPC-PI alternate secretary position is still open.
  - b. Matt reported that our proposals on letters to hospital administrators became a topic of discussion at a 12-step program other than AA. Matt said he apologized to Rod. Matt reminded all members that it violates AA principles when committee deliberations or proposals are talked about to other groups or individuals.
- 9. The committee closed by reciting the I Am Responsible pledge.