

AWSC MEETING MINUTES

Held Saturday, January 14, 2017

Michele McCullough, Secretary

Diane Faulkner, Area Chair opened the meeting with the **Serenity Prayer**
Kathy H from District 8 read the **12 Concepts and General Warranties**

Welcome – Diane Falkner welcomed everyone to the first AWSC meeting of 2017.

Approval of the minutes from the August 27, 2016 - Michele McCullough. Minutes were approved unanimously by a motion by Zermah D. and seconded by Nan M.

Treasurer's Report – Sara Keller. All reports were approved by a motion by Zermah D. and seconded by Amanda C. Copies of reports were available. Also, see reports at end of these minutes.

Alternate Delegate Report & Group Records – Bob Colburn. Bob stressed the importance for all GR's to fill out the **GR-1** forms and make sure they are returned to him. His report is now follows.

It's GR-1 MONTH!

New GRs...it's time for one of your first service opportunities... filling out the GR-1 form. I finally figured out why they call it a GR-1 form; because the GR fills it out! Duh! If you don't have the form, email me at bobc@hargray.com and I will send you one, or you can go to al-anon-sc.org to the member's section and download one.

I had a good lesson in rotation of leadership from World Service recently when I tried to update the AAPP data base after January 1st. I am locked out of that database, underlying the need for a new area Alateen process person. Thanks Mike M. for stepping up.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob C.

Group records coordinator

Delegate Report – David Bryant

DAVID BRYANT PANEL 57 DELEGATE

IT'S A NEW ADVENTURE

It is my first order of business to say thanks to all the AFG members in the state of South Carolina for the honor of serving as you Delegate to WSO in Panel 57. I am looking forward to the new adventures in my spiritual growth and service to our members. I do expect there to be challenges and growth. I do have a few things that I would like to help facilitate in our Area. They include:

1. Improved communications between the Members and the Delegate and WSO.
2. I would like to be available to come to District meetings through the state.
3. To encourage greater participation in service at all levels.
4. To Organize and Implement a "TEAM" Event as soon as possible in conjunction with a state convention or as a standalone event.
5. To encourage a stronger presence in the community and online within our guidelines.
6. To support the Alateen program with greater member involvement.
7. I would like to encourage more opportunities for fellowship among all the members in the state
8. To assist in getting speakers for special events or assemblies.
9. To encourage changes to our state "Reflector" making it more attractive and alive with more information.
10. I have plans to be the best Delegate I can possible be and represent our Area as the best Area to be in.

NEW OPPORTUNITIES

My few days a delegate have been very busy ones. I have been in contact with Suzanne Martin from WSO. She is the Conference Chairperson. The dates I will be at World Conference will be April 19 to May 1. The first Conference will occupy most of the days with meeting and presentations. I have been assigned to a "Mentor" to help me find my way and settle into the rhythms of the event.

Following the Conference I will be attending the 2023 International Convention Site Selection Committee meeting. I was asked to serve on this important committee which will issue the results just prior to the 2018 International Convention in Baltimore MD. Site visits will occur through the coming year.

On March 17 to the 19th I plan to attend the "SERDGT" Southeastern Regional Delegates Get Together to be held in Lebanon TN. Your Alt Delegate Bob Coburn will also attend. We will attend meetings and fellowship with delegates and other members from our region. Regional topics will be discussed and a get a preview of the WSO conference from our new Trustee.

OLD BUSINESS

Area Computer - Mike Melton - New Area Computer, Projector, and other equipment report.

We now have a new Dell computer for the area, with many of the whistles and bells we need. It has Windows 10 Professional, and we purchased Microsoft Office 2016 for it. Everything is loaded at present, to include Cute PDF for making PDF documents, Antivirus software, Office and some other software. The system has a 3 Year Extended Warranty, that is supported with Dell Premium Support. The system is registered in the warranty info in my name, but that does not preclude anyone for call for support. Support is 24/7, next business day support, and they will send a technician to wherever the computer is.

The projector is a Dell S320 projector. It has a very long life on the bulb, it is very bright, and has a close focal point, which allows the table to be close to the wall and present a large display. I have already connected the projector to the computer, and set it up as an extended screen for presentations.

Receipts were turned in for the computer, mouse, projector and Office 2016. Total cost for the whole system was \$1,749.82, which includes the 3-year next day onsite warranty.

Linda provided the wheeled hard case for the system, which accommodates ALL of the components, parts, pieces and cables. This should meet the needs for the AWSC for some time to come.

NEW BUSINESS

Diane welcomed all new Officer's, DR's and Coordinator ask them to introduce themselves. Some gave a small report about themselves and their positions. See below for reports

Literature - Mark Summerall

1. I introduced myself and told a brief narrative illustrating the importance of our literature as a channel of hope between meetings and a way of learning about the program.
2. I stated that, as Literature Coordinator, I offered an open invitation to come to districts and/or groups to give literature workshops during which participants may write submissions for the Forum or other upcoming books or pamphlets.

I also stated that I would be contacting various groups to remind them of this activity.

Best regards, Mark Summerall

Forum – Jan Salvato

I am the new Forum Coordinator. I support Forum and conference Summary involvement.

Webpage – Amanda No report

2017 Convention Report - Pam Phillips Convention 2017 Report

Finally, 2017 Convention is almost upon us. Things are on track as best as can be foreseen. The Committee has worked very hard on the "Courage to Be Me" convention. We have done our part to the best of our ability, now we must rely on S.C. Al-Anon members to do their part, as they are always known to do. Please remind your groups that baskets are a vital part of fundraising that contributes to allowing conventions to be held. To date, we have approximately 95 registrations. Please remind everyone that the discounted \$20 registration date is January 20th. This is also the deadline for ordering t-shirts. After January 20th, the fee is \$25. Also, please encourage members to pre-purchase the 7 quilt tickets for \$5. At the convention, Quilt tickets are 6 for \$5. The quilt is very beautiful. The convention would also like to remind groups and members of the needs for the hospitality room. Remember it is dry snacks only this year per resort regulations. Please be creative.

Again, I would thank everyone for their support. I truly hope everyone enjoys the convention this year. Although, there are many more members that know a lot more about conventions, I am more than willing to share any experience, strength, or hope I have gained with the 2018 convention.

Respectfully Submitted

Pam P.

2017 Convention Chairman

2018 Convention Report – Robin Lesher The SC 2018 convention is scheduled for 2/15/18 - 2/19/18 at the Doubletree resort by Hilton in Myrtle Beach, SC. The contract has been signed with the resort & will be sending the \$1000 deposit as soon as we receive the funds.

The 2018 convention committee met 11/5/18 and selected the theme, "Pass it on". We also decided to request if the registration fee could increase by \$5.00 if not registered by cutoff date of 1/13/18.

We have a convention planning meeting scheduled today at 2:00 and hope to fill open lead positions for fundraising, communication & speaker selection committee.

Respectfully submitted, Robin Lesher

Reflector – David Taylor No Report at this time

Alateen Processes Person - Mike Melton **Area Alateen Process Person (AAPP)** I'm official with WSO now, and they have been communicating with me. I'm working with Bob to obtain the information from him in the baton hand off, so I have the records and information.

I now have my login into the WSO pages, but at this time, have not been online to see the data. I just got access on 13 Jan, so I will be working on that.

I'm still getting my arms around what all is involved here, and will know more once I get my turnover from Bob.

I look forward to service, and working with the Alateens.

Yours Humbly in Service

Mike M.

Alateen State Representative – Shannon Smith No Report

Archivist – Nancy Bommer - Area Archivist Report

As I start 2017 as your Area Archivist, I come excited and ready to serve. One of my first goals will be to obtain a group history from each of the respective groups in our eight districts. Information has been sent to the district representatives requesting their assistance in either providing each group representative with a hard copy of this form from the World Service Office or asking you that you visit the SC Al-Anon member's website page. If the Group Representatives need information on locating the form on the SC Al-Anon website, they may contact me or obtain that information from their district representative. In the email that was sent to each district representative, they were provided with access to a pdf or a word document. If your group representative chooses to utilize the word document, the form can be completed on your computer then saved. I would like to request that you keep a copy for their group and then send me a copy for the Area Archives either by email or hard copy to me – Nancy Bommer, 403 Edisto Lake Road, Wagener, SC 29164.

This is a just a beginning of exciting information I have been compiling and want to share with you throughout the next three years. I look forward also to obtaining additional information about your groups and in time we will venture there.

At the end of the three years, this information will be handed over to the next Archivist so that in the years to come, members will have knowledge of important happenings in South Carolina. I will be compiling this information and placing on CD's along with a system on how to catalog this for South Carolina's Al-Anon Archives.

Fellowship Love,

Nancy Bommer

Area Archivist

District 2 – PJ Morrow

District 2 has filled all Service Positions except Literature Chair, with John M stepping up to be Alternate DR when Ellen H moved out of state. We are grateful for the many active members in District 2, especially our long-timers, whose example of loving wisdom keeps us all positive and pulling together. Our District meets 4 times a year with groups in different locations taking turns to host. For the past two years, we have combined our District Meeting with our planning for Convention 2017. We have also used lunch break at Assembly for Convention 2017 planning, which has worked out well.

Although we got a late start and our Convention Chairperson Pam P was out of commission for several months, we believe we have pulled together an interesting and inspirational Convention. We hope as many of you as possible can attend.

At our last District meeting we decided to join other Districts in SC in the suggested Outreach project of purchasing Al-Anon books to place in our Public Library system. Our new Outreach chair, Jodi M is on the ball with suggestions and positive actions.

Participating in a District 2 Meeting, as well as the loving exchange of emails as we support one another through tough times, is truly recovery in action. I am so grateful to be part of this service.

Respectfully submitted, PJ Morrow, DR

District 3 - Nan C. Moorer

I wish to simply share with the AWSC that District Three is quite small and has five active groups over a several county areas. We as well only have groups in a two-county area. I look forward to service and we are scheduled to have our first district meeting immediately following the regular meeting of No Where But Up Al Anon Family Group on January 17th at 8pm.

Submitted in Service, Nan C. Moorer

District 4 - Barbara O'Donnell No Report

District 5 - Val Gleason No Report

District 6 – Teresa Hinnant

Most of the groups of District 6 are doing fairly well. One of the biggest obstacles hurting the district at this time is the geographical distance in District 6. At one time, district meetings were held in Walterboro, which is an approximate half-way mark. The building that was being used is no longer available. Now, the district meets twice in Bluffton and twice in St. George during the year in an attempt to require a long-distance drive for members only twice a year. The seeming result is that the members go to the meeting when it is near them and don't go when it's further. This is a work in progress and hopefully will be worked out during this service rotation.

As the DR, I plan to visit all groups in our district at least once during the 3-year term.

Respectfully Submitted, Teresa O. Hinnant

District 7 - Clara L. Tala No Report

District 8 - Kathy Hawn No Report

District 9 - Zermah Dawes No Report

The meeting adjourned at 1 pm with the Al-Anon/Alateen Declaration

Proposed Budget 2017							
		1/1/14-12/30/14		1/2-12/31/15		1/1-11-12/31/16	
	Budget 2014	Actual 2014	Budget 2015	Actual 2015	Budget 2016	Actual 2016	Budget 2017
Delegate	\$2,100.00	\$2,389.03	\$2,100.00	\$3,187.72	\$2,100.00	\$2,426.83	\$2,500.00
Alternate Delegate\Group Records	\$400.00	\$445.92	\$750.00	\$228.67	\$750.00	\$608.25	\$750.00
Chairman	\$500.00	\$427.45	\$600.00	\$211.20	\$600.00	\$387.94	\$600.00
Secretary	\$400.00	\$528.00	\$700.00	\$547.00	\$700.00	\$542.00	\$700.00
Treasurer	\$600.00	\$549.55	\$600.00	\$714.74	\$700.00	\$708.38	\$700.00
Alateen Coordinator	\$500.00	\$98.56	\$500.00	\$197.12	\$500.00	\$295.68	\$500.00
Alateen Process Person	\$500.00	\$326.48	\$500.00	\$262.36	\$500.00	\$478.72	\$500.00
Alateen Representative	\$300.00	\$84.58	\$300.00		\$300.00		\$300.00
Archives	\$700.00		\$700.00		\$700.00		\$700.00
Public Outreach	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00	\$289.75	\$1,000.00		\$1,200.00
Website Coordinator	\$750.00	\$496.32	\$750.00	\$130.24	\$750.00	\$376.84	\$750.00
Literature Purchases	\$700.00	\$3.75	\$700.00	\$1,045.98	\$700.00		\$700.00
Literature Coordinator	\$500.00	\$327.80	\$500.00	\$355.72	\$500.00	\$242.00	\$500.00
Reflector Editor	\$300.00	\$137.10	\$250.00	\$71.12	\$200.00	\$49.38	\$400.00
Alateen Conference Advance	\$2,000.00		\$2,000.00		\$2,000.00		\$1,000.00
Website Maintenance		\$389.97	\$750.00	\$559.74	\$750.00	\$111.36	\$750.00
Forum Coordinator	\$300.00	\$119.24	\$300.00	\$126.61	\$300.00	\$183.20	\$300.00
Convention Advance 2015			\$2,500.00				
Convention Advance 2016	\$2,500.00		\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00			
Rent for Assembly	\$2,500.00	\$2,037.40	\$2,500.00	\$2,578.90	\$2,500.00	\$2,067.00	\$2,500.00
Rent for AWSC	\$600.00	\$1,140.00	\$600.00	\$1,078.00	\$1,200.00	\$435.00	\$1,200.00
AWSC Travel - District Reps	\$100.00		\$100.00		\$100.00		\$100.00
AWSC Travel - Past Delegate	\$100.00		\$100.00		\$100.00		\$100.00
AWSC Delegate - Equalized Expense	\$2,000.00	\$2,447.00	\$2,500.00	\$1,965.00	\$2,500.00	\$1,909.00	\$2,500.00
Miscellaneous Expense	\$250.00	\$40.04	\$200.00		\$200.00	\$34.76	\$200.00
2013 International Convention	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00				
Team Expense			\$500.00		\$500.00		\$500.00
Convention Advance 2017					\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	
Convention Advance 2018					\$2,500.00		\$2,500.00
Computer Purchase					\$2,000.00		\$0.00
Total	\$20,600.00	\$12,988.19	\$25,500.00	\$16,049.87	\$27,150.00	\$13,356.34	\$22,450.00

AWSC AND AREA ASSEMBLY

Aug 24 thru Dec 31, 2016 Year to Date

BEGINNING BALANCE	\$ 13,893.50	\$ 17,005.67
Income		
Group Contributions	\$ 2,951.41	\$ 9,017.90
District Contributions	\$ 214.93	\$ 419.60
CMCC Refund	\$ 195.00	*
2016 Convention seed	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
2016 Convention profit	\$ 4,055.00	\$ 4,055.00
Literature		\$ 125.00
Reflector Subscriptions		\$ 72.00
Total Income	\$ 9,916.34	\$ 16,189.50
Expenses		
AAPP	\$ (192.72)	\$ (478.72)
Alateen Coordinator	\$ -	\$ (295.68)
Alternate Delegate/Group Records	\$ -	\$ (608.25)
Area Secretary	\$ (185.00)	\$ (542.00)
Area Treasurer	\$ (237.58)	\$ (708.38)
Chair	\$ (157.55)	\$ (387.94)
Convention Advance 2016		\$ (2,500.00)
Delegate	\$ -	\$ (2,426.83)
Equalized Expence	\$ (1,909.00)	\$ (1,909.00)
Forum Coordinator	\$ (59.40)	\$ (183.20)
Literature Coordinator	\$ -	\$ (242.00)
Literature Purchase	\$ -	
Miscellaneous	\$ (29.76)	\$ (34.76)
Public Outreach	\$ -	
Reflector Coordinator	\$ -	\$ (49.38)
Rent for Area Assembly	\$ (690.00)	\$ (1,947.00)
Rent for AWSC	\$ (510.00)	\$ (555.00)
Webmaint	\$ -	\$ (111.36)
Website Coordinator	\$ -	\$ (376.84)
Total Expenses	\$ (3,971.01)	\$ (13,356.34)
ENDING BALANCE	<u>\$19,838.83</u>	<u>\$19,838.83</u>

*This amount was deducted from the AWSC Rent.

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS

Aug. 24 thru Dec. 31, 2016

DISTRICT TWO		Group #
Spartanburg Thurs.	\$ 20.00	30655911
Fort Mill	\$ 45.00	65154
Hope for Today	\$ 37.34	30576592
Hope for Tomorrow	\$ 9.00	43859
Lake Wylie AFG	\$ 30.00	24368
Lancaster Co-Ed AFG	\$ 30.00	12564
Last Resort		28753
Mid-day Serenity	\$ 45.00	40844
Spartan AI-Anon		12597
Stepping Stones	\$ 60.00	12599
Tega Cay AFG	\$ 90.00	12534
Hope for Adult Child & You Too	\$ 27.00	30636585
Serenity Seekers		30663354
Tega Cay Sunday Evening	\$ 13.00	30668716
TOTAL	\$ 406.34	

DISTRICT THREE		
Awesome Aiken		12487
No Where But Up AFG	\$ 170.00	61447
Entirely Ready	\$ 60.00	30565097
Noon Serenity		64672
New Beginnings		30502293
New Hope		43655
TOTAL	\$ 230.00	

DISTRICT FOUR		
Back Door		45579
Courage to Change		66523
Dutch Square		12517
New Hope	\$ 50.00	30514080
Happy Hour AFG		12518
Hope for Today	\$ 100.00	501930
In Good Hands	\$ 70.00	60960
Love Bunch AFG	\$ 99.50	47109
Parkview AFG	\$ 30.00	28070
Saturday Nite Live		33013
Sparkleberry AFG		501648
Springlake		65004
WANA		52189
Gilbert Main St. AFG		61673
Airport AFG		25550
Tues. Fri. Night AFG	\$ 30.00	12496
Friday Friends	\$ 61.00	64341
There is Hope		30510265
Journey Toward Serenity		30638665
Caring AFG		12511
North Church St		12567
Mid-week Southeast		30586089
Sunday Serenity		30642003
Newberry Serenity		503396
TOTAL	\$ 440.50	