NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS



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Minutes of the N.A. Tree Study

Third Meeting 10/10/76

Chairman opened meeting at 2:30pm with Sidney leading us in the Serenity and Al V. reading the 12 Traditions.

1. Roll Call:

Al V. - Vice-Chairman of B.C.A.S.C.
Lillie M. - Treasurer of B.C.A.S.C.
Mark M. - Secretary of B.C.A.S.C.
Stilson S. - GSR Tues. Night Hermosa
Barbara N. - Secretary Women's Stag (Thursday)
Sydney - GSR of Thursday Women's Stag
Annie C. - GSR - Friday Noon

Yale H. - GSR Alternate of Sat. Night Venice

Kevin F. - GSR of Sat. Night Venice

Hank M. - Chairman of B.C.A.S.C.

Bob Lally Gary H.

Bob B. (Board of Trustee)

Steve M.

Bob Levey - A.S.R.

Mike Barron

2. Old Business:

- A. Minutes of 10/3/76 read and approved.
- B. The pre-conventional business meeting in Ventura will be held Sunday, Oct. 24th 1976 at the Holiday Inn in Ventura in the Buena Ventura Room #6, at 1:00p.m.
- C. Copies of our last two meetings have been sent out to:
 - 1. L.A.G.S.O.
 - 2. Eastern Counties Service Committee
 - 3. San Fernando Valley Service Committee
 - 4. Ventura Service Committee
 - 5. Northern Calif. (Silvia M. GSR Chairman)
 - 6. Northern Calif. (Steve Bice)
 - 7. W.S.O. (World Service Office)
- D. Discussion of correspondence from Northern Calif., and the proposed agendas for Regional Service Committee meeting at convention in November and Business meeting in Ventura on October 24, 1976. Who will chair the Meeting etc. ????

3. New Business:

Discussion of the Tree: "The Member" that section beginning with the words A. Motion page 8, paragraph 2, "for the groups purpose.." and ending with words clean and desires membership. be stricken; and that the word "member" in the 2nd sentence of the last paragraph be stricken.

Argument being that these extended definitions of N.A. membership are an unauthorized extension of and violation of the Third Tradition. Motion passed by majority vote.

B. Motion that the 2 sentences in the 4th paragraph of the section "The Group" beginning with the words "although most addicts.." nature of the addict." be stricken. Argument being that these sentences constitute a deragatory, opinionated, disrespective and hostile description of the personality character, or internal make-up of the addict: a perpetuation of stereo-type attitudes toward "The Addict". Second and passed by majority vote.

C. Terminology:

Motion that titles of Service Representative be changed as follows:

- 1. That title of General Service Representative be changed to "Group Service Representative
- 2. That title of Area Service Representative remain the same.
- 3. Title of General Service Delegate be changed to "Regional Service Representative".

 Argument being that this would simplify and clarify the positions involed in our service structure. Second and passed by majority vote.

D. COFFEE BREAK

- E. Should the Regional Service Committee have a stationary facility?

 From where will its operations— the printing of directories and distrubutions of large quanities of literature—take place? Perhaps central office manned by Representatives from all its areas?
- F. Discussion of institutional meetings and its Traditions, a proposal was put forward by Barbara N., then withdrawn at this time for revision. Will be rewritten and copies sent to all Area Service Committee and to the W.S.O., to the new Institutional Committee, and carried to the Ventura business meeting of Oct. 24th. Will be presented at next Friday's regular meeting of the Bay Cities Area Service Committee meeting.
- G. Next Tree Study Meeting will be held at 525 2nd St. Hermosa Beach, at 11:00 a.m. Sunday, Oct 17, 1976.
- H. At that meeting we will also discuss any and all proposals regarding the agendas for the Oct. 24th Business meeting and the Regional Service Conference to be held at the convention in November

Meeting closed with collection and the Lord's Prayer at 4:45 p.m.

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Mark McGuire (Secretary of B.C.A.S.C.)