Lake Sumter Central Office Representative Committee Minutes of the Representative Committee Wednesday, November 13, 2024 6:30 PM

Location of Meeting:

Cottom Plaza 2113 Citrus Blvd (Hwy 27/441) Suite A Leesburg, FL 34748 Zoom Meeting ID: 320 881 8811 Password: 077 826

Present at Meeting:

Rhonda (Chairperson) Mark H (Treasurer) Jeanne C (Secretary) Steve R (Noon Serenity Seekers) Tom W. (Paradise Serenity Seekers) Alicia R(Member at Large) (Virtual Sisters in Sobriety) Jim L (Member at Large)(Back to Basics) Judy M (Sober Sunset Speakers) (Zoom) Donna (The Happy Hour Group) (Zoom) Lynn R (Step Sisters) Patti D (The Corrections Chair) Jessica (Triangle Breakfast)(Zoom) Bill T (Joy of Living) Susan R (Women's Joe & Charley) Nancy V (Take It Easy) Lori H (Each Day New Beginning) Butch (Friday 2:00pm Pimlico) (Zoom)

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. There was a Moment of Silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. AA members were reminded that all are welcome to attend the Steering Committee Meeting. The Chairperson thanked everyone who showed up to support the Lake Sumter Central Office.

I. REVIEW OF MINUTES

The minutes of the October 16th, Representatives Committee meeting we read by Jeanne. **Motion**: To accept the minutes of the October 16th, Representatives Committee meeting by Alicia seconded by Mark.

Action: Approved unanimously.

Due to a member who was not a Representative of the October meeting who voted to approve the Treasurer's report a new motion was made to approve the October 16th Treasurer's report. **Motion:** To approve the October 16th Treasurer's report by Jim seconded by Steve.

Action: Approved unanimously.

II. TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurers Report – Mark reported the income, expenses and donations as of the October 30th, 2024. Mark has not received the statement on the Prudent Reserve, but it should be about \$28,550. The group donations were up this month, and the private donations were a little less but good. We had normal expenses this month and no large expenses. When the Prudent Reserve statement is received from Russ the income will be higher. There needs to be clarification on the Vanguard account on the year -to- date and monthly.

Motion: To accept the treasurer's report upon audit by Jeanne, seconded by Jim. **Action:** Approved unanimously.

III. OFFICE REPORT

Office Report – Russ – no report

IV. OLD BUSINESS

 Saturday, November 16th is our Joe & Charley Workshop. Please pass the word we could use your support. It will be held at "The Good News Church" in Leesburg from 9:00am -5:00pm.
The Christmas Party is December 12th at "The Venetian Gardens" in Leesburg, from 5:00pm to 10:00pm. The tickets can be bought online at aalakesumter.org as well as in person. If you buy 8 tickets, we will reserve a table.

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. The Plain Language book is out, and the cost is \$12. It's a good tool for reading the Big Book not a replacement.

VI. COMMITTEES

- **EVENTS:** The Annual Christmas Party is December 12, 2024, from 5:00-10:00pm at "The Venetian Gardens" and there will be Music, Food and a Speaker. Tickets cost \$20.
- MERCHANDISE: No report
- **NEWSLETTER:** No report
- WEBSITE/TECH: Steve R all the flyers are on the website. We can't use Zelle, however, if we can set up an account with the bank perhaps, we can use Venmo. Our bank is United Southern Bank, and they won't let us use Zelle. We are looking at other banks and Jim will investigate what we want to do and get access to the banks.
- **CORRECTIONS:** Patti is the Corrections Chair for District 7. The Pink Can is to collect donations to purchase the literature for all 5 Correction's Centers that her committee is responsible for. They are revamping the current by-laws. People who volunteer at the Correction Centers require training. The positions are longer than a 2-year commitment due to training. Once the volunteers are trained the committee checks to see if they can work with the convicts. So far, they have Tavares and Sumter jail meetings, and the attendance is growing. We got approved to give the inmates a Big Book, and that's where donations to the Pink Cans come in. Donations to the Pink Can are specifically for books and literature for the inmates. Patti is working with the state prisons, and they have

all new people working. The key leaders oversee getting the volunteers to go to the sites. Pattie is getting more help and her group is growing. The donations are awesome since the inmates can keep the book! Their opening balance was \$ 5,673.00 and the ending balance is \$6734.18 They need volunteers at Tavares because 10 years of sobriety is required to volunteer there. Coleman and Sumter require only 2 years of sobriety. The training is done with the prison that includes background checks and finger prints. The format we use to run our meetings is : Read the Preamble: Read a story at the back of the Big Book; then the inmates respond to the story. Patti thanked Central Office for their support. Patti will have flyers made available at Inter Group. We will have the information put on our website.

V. BUDGET REQUESTS

Motion: To approve \$300 for miscellaneous literature (non-AA literature) and chips by Jeanne, seconded by Jim.

Action: Approved unanimously.

VI. OTHER

• How can we track what is being accomplished? The Old Business will reflect what we are continuing to work on.

Motion: To approve Jim as Member at Large by Steve, seconded by Lisa. **Action:** Approved unanimously.

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 7:12pm by Jeanne, seconded by Tom. **Action:** Approved unanimously.

The next Hybrid SC meeting will be held Wednesday, December 11, 2024, at 6:30pm (on Zoom & at the Office).