

CLake Sumter Central Office Representative Committee
Minutes of the Representative Committee
Wednesday, February 12, 2025
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) (Your Place)
Jeanne C (Secretary) (Zoom)
Alicia (Member at Large)(Virtual Sisters in Sobriety)
Jim (Corrections)
Steve R (Noon Serenity Seekers)(Zoom)
Jim L (Member at Large)(Back to Basics)
Mike P (Come to Believe)
John O. (Daybreak)
Lori H. (Each Day New Beginning)
Courtney P.(Wednesday Night Leesburg)
Ted F (No Name Big Book)
Melissa (Our Primary Purpose)
Bernie (Saturday Night Life)
Tom W (Serenity Seekers)
Lynn R (Sober Sisters)
Irene C (Today's Woman)
Gary L (Together We Can)
Jessica S (Triangle Breakfast)
Nancy V (Take it Easy Women's)

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 January 12, Representatives Committee meeting we read by Jeanne.

Motion: To accept the minutes of January 12, 2024, Representatives Committee meeting by Alicia, seconded by Mark.

Action: Approved unanimously.

II. TREASURER'S REPORT

Mark reported on the income, expenses and donations for the month of January 2025. Mark reviewed the beginning and ending balances of all 3 accounts. Some items were credited from last year which bumped up the checking account. Group donations were about \$5,500 which is higher compared to last January. Income and Expenses were average. The phone and internet (Nextiva) expenses are lower now. We are up about \$3500 for the end of the month. The payroll was for 2 months (December/January). Group donations are in alphabetical order. If you think your group donated and it's not there, please contact the office. Group donations were reviewed and posted on the website/under members/under reports. Please put the group numbers and names with the donations. If you are unsure of your group number, please call the office. If you don't have the group number, please call the office and they will give one to you. If you donated and it's not there, please let us know.

Motion: To accept the treasurer's report upon audit by Jim, seconded by Bernie.

Action: Approved unanimously.

III. OFFICE REPORT

Office Report – Russ – no report

IV. OLD BUSINESS

1. Alice is our accountant and working on our QuickBooks account.
2. We still need more reps so please spread the word. We have more groups however, we need more representatives for them. If you need any help with getting reps on Zoom, please contact the office.

V. NEW BUSINESS

Motion: To have Teresa as chair, and Courtney as co-chairs of the Events Committee, by Alicia, seconded by Mark.

Action: Approved Unanimously

1. We opened the Saving and Checking accounts at Wells Fargo. We will be switching over the Vanguard account as well.
2. We have **new** group numbers. Please contact the office for your new group number.
3. We have items for sale at the office till Friday. Just donate for an item and the money goes to New York. \$67 donations have been collected so far. We might ask the Church if they need any of the items.
4. Pins are available at Central Office to hand out to speakers.

VI. COMMITTEES

- **EVENTS:** STEPS 3,4,5 Presented by Orlando A. will be held at GOOD NEWS CHURCH February 15th. 9-till. The First Annual Picnic will be held at Lake Okahumpka on March 29th, and we have Bikefest the last weekend in April.
- **MERCHANDISE:** Butch – no report

- **NEWSLETTER:** Teresa S. The newsletter is complete and will be put on the website. Please send Teresa ideas or information to post on the website.
- **HOT LINE:** Ted – He needs people from the Eustis Sorrento area for 12 Step call people. Ted is looking to do a HOT LINE workshop in the future. Ted is updating the manuals to guide the volunteers. Currently the shifts run from 12 midnight to 12 noon. Ted is thinking of changing the shifts from 8:00am to 8:00pm instead, because of people who work. A suggestion was made to split the 12-hour shift in half.
- **GROUP LIASON** – No report
- **CORRECTIONS:** Jim– We’re currently attempting to be involved in all 5 Corrections facilities in our districts. Theresa K is the key leader in the Tavares Corrections Center, and they need 3-4 female volunteers. They enter the jail/pods at 6:15pm and start the meeting at 6:30pm and finish by 8:30pm. Volunteers for Tavares need 10 plus years of sobriety. Jim is the key leader for the men’s group at Tavares and has enough volunteers for now, however in the summer they will need more help because the snow birds are leaving. Tavares need large print Big Books because a lot of them don’t have reading glasses when they are brought to jail. The men’s and women’s Tavares meetings are held on Friday. The Sumter Corrections Center is Bushnell. The women meet from 4:45 pm – 7:00pm and the women need volunteers which require need 2 years of sobriety. The Corrections Centers are the ones who set the sobriety limits. Donald is the new men’s key leader at Sumter and the men have enough volunteers. Colman Federal Prison –We have several volunteers that are trained and ready to go, however the prison has stalled because the prison doesn’t have anyone to escort them into the facility. The State Corrections Facility- Bushnell - Patti D is the key leader and is waiting for approval to bring meetings in. Pattie is also the coordinator for the Claremont State Facility – they do use literature/pamphlets/books for the inmates. They are waiting for approval to bring in meetings and volunteers. The Pink Can – The January beginning balance was \$7,188.52, they received \$991.41 in donations for the month and had expenses of \$719.75 for books and literature. The closing balance was \$7,460.24. We had 14 groups that donated to the pink can. We are working on standards and guidelines.
- **WEBSITE/TECH:** Steve R –
- **BUDGET REQUESTS:**

VI. OTHER

- We need to get more people to attend the meetings. Please keep spreading the word

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 7:14 pm by John , seconded by Jeanne.

Action: Approved unanimously.

The next Hybrid SC meeting will be held Wednesday, March 12, at 6:30pm (on Zoom & at the Office).