# AWSC May 25- 27

Open Lines

## **Durham College Oshawa Ontario**

All reports that were given during the weekend are attached as a separate document. Excluding the Delegate's Report which can be found on the Delegate's Corner of the Ontario South Website.

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Friday, May 25
Welcome, Serenity Prayer
Traditions read by:
Concepts read by:
Warranties read by:
Introductions of executive and coordinators, Roll Call 35 voting members present
Housekeeping & Announcements
Literature pickups tomorrow in the parking lot for pre orders/prepaid orders.
Elect DR for Literature Office Committee
(Three-year term)
LOC chair explained the position
Candidates:
Vote by ballot:
Successful candidate:
Coordinators /OSAAC Chair Reports
Alateen
Literature
AAPP
Archives looking for Alateen history.
Group Records

Public Outreach want to do outreach workshops

Website

Forum Report willing to do writing forums

#### **Question and Answer Period**

- Q: What happens if a group does not know WSO id?
- A: On print out given by Group Records.
- Q. Is there a map of the districts on the website?
- A. Rachel will try and put one on the website but it will take some time. There is a physical map that is displayed at AWSC and Assembly.
- Q: Districts are asking about name changes to reflect their districts.
- A: Districts can change name if they want to.
- Q. When was the last time website base was updated?
- A: Using html now maybe looking at changing the base for the future.
- Q. AAPP does A SAM have to register even though was registered last fall?
- A Yes.
- Q: for AAPP: when you advice a new SAM can you cc the DR?
- A: Would have to check confidentiality before will do this. DRs can access info on who is a certified SAM by going online at the WSO site AFG Connects
- Q: Why does it take so long to change a record on the website?
- A: Record change form goes to website coordinator then to group records and then goes back to be posted on the website can take up to 2 weeks. Please remember we are volunteers and some of us have full time jobs as well.
- Q: PO fundraising can we do it?
- A: Yes we can do fundraisers within the fellowship.
- Q: There is a group not registered. On AIS list but not on WSO list or OSA website.
- A: Someone needs to follow up with the Group Records Coordinator.
- Q: Very Active PO in London. Is there a list of WSO recordings public service Announcements?
- A: Yes if you connect with Kristine. Public Outreach Coordinator.
- Q: Is the electronic version affecting the number of forum subscription?

A: No way of knowing right now how it is affecting sales. No way of knowing how WSO is calculating stuff.

Meeting closed with the Serenity Prayer.

#### **Workshop on Public Outreach**

A workshop for Public Outreach was held hosted by About 25 people remained for the workshop.

We talked about how the membership is shrinking and how groups are closing.

I suggested that we look at bring Public Outreach to the Area level as there are some Districts that are very active and have funds and there are Districts that do not have the funds to get involved in any Outreach venture. As it all cost money. Hence trying to bring it to the area level. I then suggested a fundraiser to help have a generous pot to pull from to help the whole area with support. I asked the members present if I could pursue my idea and they all felt it was worth looking into. My fundraiser idea was Cookbook with receipts from the fellowship.

Trusting in God's plan



#### Saturday, May 26

Welcome.

Serenity Prayer,

Traditions read by:

Concepts read by:

Warranties read by:

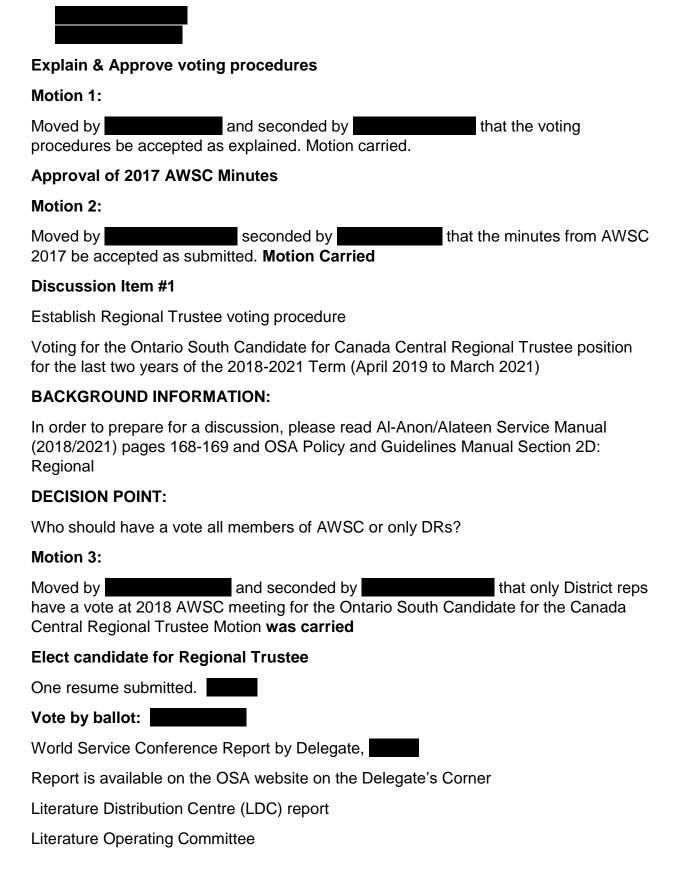
Introductions of the executive and coordinators.

Roll call completed by secretary # present 39 need 20 for motion to carry

Housekeeping & Announcements done by Chairperson

Timekeeper:

Four Volunteers for the Ask-It Basket Committee



# ONTARIO SOUTH LITERATURE OFFICE COMMITTEE (LOC) REPORT TO: AREA WORLD SERVICE COMMITTEE (AWSC) MEETING Saturday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018

- Last night May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 the Literature Office Committee (LOC) met for the first time this term.
- For the 2018-2020 Term the Committee members Are:
  - Chairperson (immediate Past Delegate)
     Preceding Past Delegate (if not Available, Area Chairperson)
     Current Delegate.

    . Area Literature Coordinator
     An elected current District Representative (DR)
- The Literature Office Committee (LOC) continues to be committed to following the direction as set out by our 2016 Assembly decision to continue to operate a financially sustainable Literature Distribution Centre (LDC).
- The Literature Office Committee (LOC) is continuing to monitor all costs including literature prices and postage expenses.
- The Literature Office Committee (LOC) is looking at having the Literature Distribution Centre (LDC) be in operation for a full calendar year before looking At Any potential modifications.
- **❖** SUMMER OFFICE CLOSURE- Literature Distribution Centre (LDC) will be closed July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 to August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 inclusive.
- 2018 ASSEMBLY PRE ORDERS FOR ASSEMBLY PICK UP –Need to be in to LDC Manager, and paid for by SEPTEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2018. (This is your opportunity for You/Your Group/Your District to Avoid shipping costs)

### Financial Update for 2017

Checks must be made out to: Ontario South Assembly the bank will reject any other payee i.e. OSA, OSA Treasurer, and Ontario South.

#### **Discussion Item #2**

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

In order to prepare for a discussion regarding the 2019 budget, please read the following enclosed reference documents:

Proposed Budget 2019.

Previous year's history information.

Statement of Operations – Actual vs. Budget (January 1 to December 31, 2017)

Balance Sheet (December 31, 2017)

2017 Prudent Reserve Analysis. Warranty One (Al-Anon Alateen Service Manual 2014-2017 pg. 216)

Group Donations for 2019 should be \$101.49 to meet the budget!

#### **DECISION POINT:**

Should the proposed budget for 2019 be forwarded to Assembly 2018 for Approval?

**Motion 4:** moved by and seconded by the state of the proposed budget for 2019 be forwarded to Assembly 2018 for Approval. **Motion Carried.** 

#### **Discussion Item #3**

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

In order to prepare for a discussion, please read Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual (20182021) pages 168-169 and OSA Policy and Guidelines Manual Section 2D: Regional Trustee/Alternate and WSO Resume

The practice in Ontario South has been to elect the candidate for Regional Trustee by vote at Assembly. This vote takes place in the second year of the Delegate's term.

The new term for the Canada Central Trustee will start April 2018. No resumes were submitted from any of the three Areas of Canada Central. The WSO Board of Trustees decided to accept resumes for a one year appointment starting in April 2018. This still leaves two years of the term to be filled. August 15, 2018 is the deadline for submission of our Area's candidate. Since Assembly will not take place until October 2018, the Ontario South Executive have decided to have the election of our candidate take place at AWSC 2018.

#### **DECISION POINT:**

Should the issue of the Ontario South practice of voting for our candidate for Regional Trustee take place at AWSC instead of at Assembly be tabled at Assembly 2018?

Motion 5: Moved by and seconded by that the Ontario South practice of voting for our candidate for Regional Trustee take place at AWSC instead of At Assembly be tabled at Assembly 2018 for discussion. Motion carried.

Open Topic Discussions as suggested by members.

- 1. How do you know when to close a group?
- 2. What can be done to prevent group closures?
- 3. How do you get members to come to groups to sustain group?

- 4. How do we get members to step up for service?
- 5. Can we use social media geared towards teens to Attend Alateen?
- 6. How do we address Al-Anon members who are also AA members in keeping the focus on our program?
- 7. How do we encourage certified SAMS to help out at events like ORC?
- 8. How can we keep our old timers from dominating?
- 9. How to address long time members from appearing as authorities?
- 10. How do we encourage members to increase donations?

A small group discussion was had with each group taking 2 Questions.

A verbal report on suggestions and ideas was given by one member of each of the 5 groups.

District Representative 101 workshop. Lead by and and shared their experience.

Encouraged to use the guidelines G 15, G 37 which are available on the WSO website for no cost.

Area Policy Manual from the Ontario South Website explains clearly the links of service AFG Connects was shown to the new DR and its uses were explained.

DR Jobs were discussed and the question came up on how you become a coordinator and who they are and what they do.

Oral reports from Districts 28, 30, 32 and AIS Toronto and AIS Ottawa

Meeting Closed at 7:30 with the Lord's Prayer

Coordinators meeting with Alt. Delegate

Ask it Basket committee

& volunteers

Al-Anon meeting for anyone interested

# Sunday, May 27 Opening Serenity Prayer, Traditions, Concepts Warranties

Housekeeping items reviewed.

Ask it Basket Answers . & volunteers

Questions And Answers will be put on the website.

Open Mic

Closed At 10am with the Al-Anon Declaration