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CENTRAL OFFICE COR MEETING REPORT


Hey everyone! This the new Arkansas Central Office COR Report. We are going to try and throw out the old standard minutes from our COR (Central Office Representative) meeting. We have decided to start doing a monthly report and to publish it so everyone can see what's going on at Central Office. **Please give us some feedback on what you think.**


July 26, 2017. 14 attending. Melissa P.-F Street, Jill M. F-Street, Richard R.-Reservoir, Megan W.-Barely Legal, Matt H.-Pig Pen & Board Member, Tammy A.-Sherwood, Sam T.-Back To Basics, Karen W.-Cosmopolitan, David W.-Reservoir & Board Member, *Perry D.-Cosmopolitan, Jeannie S.-F Street & Board Chair, Bob F.-M.O.B. & Board Member and *Bob W.-Reservoir. *Bob W. is the Office Manager and Perry D. is the Liaison. The Board meets quarterly, every 3rd Monday at 5:30 in Jan., Apr., Jul., & Oct. COR meets the 4th Wednesday of every month at 5:30. ☆ **If you're a GSR, please send us a representative.**

What Did We Learn?


 **New COR Report instead of minutes approved.** Check your email if you are a COR Rep. We will be working from this format for now. We will try to get this report out as soon after the meeting that we possibly can for group business meetings. It will have a proofreading before posting.


 **Down Again.** Bob says that we were down again from June 2016. We are in good shape overall though. Year to the date **donations are down \$1,117.00.** That is our biggest and most important source of income. **Some groups still have not donated as they normally do.** On the whole, we are **down a little from 2016.** Bookstore sales are important. **Donations are how we keep it going.** Perry asked if we could have some of the bills that we pay be put on an automatic draft. We will ask the board. 🐭 Bob says that it is time to change the locks again. It is done every few years. There are a lot of keys floating around out there that have not been returned after in-house volunteers quit working at the office. Bob and Perry went over how they are paid and explained a sort of balloon payment.

 **What About Bob?** Perry, your Central Office Liaison took a trip to Fort Smith to get the word out about Central Office and to try and sign up folks for the 12-steppers list and other service opportunities. While he was there he visited the District 13(Hispanic) meeting. **He also visited the Fort Smith Intergroup office and found out that they have their very own Bob running their office just like we do.** Perry has put together a nice tri-fold display for Area conventions and other meetings. It will be at Old Grandad. Perry is continuing to travel the state and local meetings. We have had over 20 12-step calls per month for the last three months and we get calls from all over the state, so we need to have 12-steppers from all over. **COR members** discussed their own experience with 12-step calls. **In-house volunteers** are still needed for Central Office. Fill out an application **with approval from your sponsor of course.**

 **Are You New To The Program?** We had our in-house volunteer meeting Sunday July, 25 at 2 pm at C.O. **We decided that** most incoming calls unless they are of an obvious business or information related nature will have the question asked **"Are you new to the program?"** The callers' response we be extremely informative as to how the call should be handled. The after-hours packet will be updated regularly and we need to make sure that all the volunteers have one. We talked about having the pack available on the Google Drive and updating the credit card system. **Pizza was devoured!** We are still talking about doing another workshop for the After-hours volunteers too. **Please give us some feedback if you are interested.**

 **HOTT! Chili Challenge** Our 3rd Annual Chili Challenge is the next Central Office event coming up on Oct.7 during the day. This is good fun, always a good service opportunity and we always need help with the Activities Committee. The committee meets the 3rd Sunday of every month at 2pm.

 **Road Trip.** The National Intergroup seminars are coming up Oct. 5th – 8th, in Historic Northern Virginia. Perry and Matt are registered to attend. This is an annual seminar that will teach us about common problems and solutions to most Central Offices/Intergroups. They will be funding their own way.

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