



**Attendance:** (12) Trey G – 120 ½, Desere’ B – Rock Group, Shannon L - Bridging the Gap, Sandy S - Reservoir, Natalie R - Cabot, Paul M - Downtown Nooners, Marci H – Saints We Ain’t, Melissa P - F Street & COR Secretary, \*Joe R - Bridging The Gap & Board Chair, \*Matt H - Pig Pen & Board Secretary, \*Perry D - Cosmopolitan & CO Liaison, and \*Bob W - Reservoir & CO Manager (\*Board members) **COR meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of every month at 5:30pm**

**October 24th, 2018**

SEPTEMBER MEETING MINUTES APPROVED  
Thanks for your service, Matt. Welcome new Secretary  
Melissa P.



# SALES!



**Financial Report approved.** Bob went over the finances, and sales were way up for the month of September. This brought income up \$964 higher than the previous month. With bookstore purchases and convention costs also being way up, expenses exceeded income by \$176. Year to date total is still ahead by \$8,222 so CO is in good shape for building the prudent reserve. Thanks, Bob.

**Liaison Report.** Perry has been visiting various meetings around District 9 and also visited Benton (District 8) to talk about what CO can do for these groups. He plans to attend a Thanksgiving Program in Jonesboro and is setting up the table display and Matt’s 12 stepper poster at a Border City Roundup in Fort Smith. CO will not pass out collection jars for Gratitude Month but flyers are printed and Perry is distributing them wherever he goes. Some groups still have their jars from last year, but money can be collected and sent in however each group decides. **CORs are asked to distribute flyers to their groups as well.**

**WARNING WARNING WARNING -- REPEATING INFO!** Still getting the word out about the ‘Sharing Our Sobriety’ Program. This is a program that is fellowship-wide and that most other COs around the country do on an ongoing basis. **Perry asked the CORs to get this message out to their groups**, and if you need more fliers or envelopes to contact him. Perry said he would be glad to come and visit your group with this information as well as any other projects CO is working on. Perry is still handing out sign-up sheets for everyone to take back to their groups. These include: After-hours phone, In-house volunteer shifts, 12-step callers, speakers, ride services and of course the Activities Committee. Perry is working with District locally and at the Area level to get people all over the state to volunteer. **Thanks, Perry.**

## Are You New in The Program?

**After hours, Volunteer, and general office report:** CO still has 2 In-House Volunteer positions needing to be filled. Both are for every other Saturday from 2 to 6p.m. CO still needs 12-steppers to sign up and is considering making a suggestion guide for 12 steppers to use. This is the most important thing CO does. Bob shared the following fun fact: the total number of all CO volunteers comes to about 200 people! It’s nice to know CO has so many people there to help carry the message. Thanks everyone.

**Activities and Sponsorship Workshop Committees:** The Activities Committee still needs volunteers to attend and bring in ideas to help plan new activities. Activities Committee meets at CO every 3rd Sunday at 2pm. The Sponsorship Workshop Committee (SWC) has prepared a step-by-step outline using material straight from the Big Book which will be handed out during the workshop. SWC meetings are being held on certain Mondays at 5:30pm.

## ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE: Chili Challenge Is Saturday Oct. 27th!



3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Chili Challenge is this weekend! There will be a jail and a Chili Sheriff. Discussion included various crimes for which arrest warrants may be issued. Perps may bribe the sheriff or sing karaoke to get out of jail. There will be trophies and prizes, chili sampling for the contest, chili and chili fixin’s, a speaker (Mark B of Bridging the Gap), and a band (Baxter K and The Lurking Notions). **WE STILL NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR THESE EVENTS!** Central Office is also very much needing Activity Committee Reps. Talk

**Old business: 12 Steppers/Activities Committee:** Central Office still needs 12-steppers to sign up and is considering making a suggestion guide for 12 steppers to use. Activities Committee needs Reps to attend and bring in ideas to help plan new activities. **Suggestion was made for CORs to communicate this need to their GSRs as well as announcing it in meetings.** Activities Committee meets at CO every 3rd Sunday at 2pm. **New Business: Prudent Reserve/Chili Challenge help:** CO Board Members are working to establish a more prudent Prudent Reserve. This amount will be determined through AA literature, feedback from other Intergroups, and calculating operating expenses. CO needs to be equipped under all circumstances to carry the message to the still-suffering alcoholics. Bob said volunteers are still needed for help with the Chili Challenge. Just show up willing to help & work will be assigned.