March 14, 2021 CEC Minutes Area Service Committee (ASC) Area 9

Attendance: Barbaradee F. Past Area 9 CEC Chair, Michael M. Past Area 9 CEC Chair, Grant T. Area 9 CEC Alternate Chair, Jerry S. Area 9 CEC Chair, JD GSR District 8 (11), Sharon S. Area 9 CEC Secretary

Jerry called meeting to order at 9:55 am with Serenity prayer, introductions and welcome to committee attendees.

Sharon- reviewed minutes from 2/14/21 meeting. JD motioned, Grant 2nd and group accepts minutes as written with minor spelling corrections. Jerry will post minutes to the Area 9 website.

Old /Ongoing Business:

- 1. As meetings open, continue checking for senior accessibility and notify Central Offices of findings to update directories appropriately.
- 2. Michael shared that the Senior Center in her area is open in a limited capacity and are interested in having AA literature. She will email Jerry with request for number of pamphlets and rack to exhaust current inventory.
- 3. Discussed the full and partial closure of many Senior Centers, due to Covid-19, and reason for offering digital links to literature at this time. Our outreach letter did offer information on requesting "hard copies" of literature, in addition to digital links. Outreach efforts will continue with nursing home and assisted living facilities.

New Business:

- 1. Grant did an in-depth review of proposed CEC Guidelines and recommends several minor edits, group agrees. Document corrected and Jerry submitted corrected copy to Francine at GAP committee.
- 2. Jerry and Sharon attended PRAASA and the Seniors in Sobriety Roundtables-highlights:
 - a. Elders in AA who are feeling isolated for various reasons, benefit from outreach efforts.
 - b. Most effective? In person communication-meetings, letter writing, phone calls, texting, Facebook.
 - c. Seniors in Sobriety webpage
 - d. 2021 Seniors in Sobriety Conference_Oct. 24-27, 2021 SIS International Hybrid Conference Bahia Resort, San Diego, CA
 - e. Seniors in Sobriety.com lists senior friendly meetings and has a sign-up for their mailing list. <u>SENIORS IN SOBRIETY INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS LIST- as of February 13, 2020</u>
 - f. The need is real and CEC efforts are making a difference!
- 3. Jerry shared a flyer he is working on with Alex (Tech committee). It is a reminder for meetings to check on Elders, address accessibility concerns and update Central Offices with current meeting information. He will forward to group when finalized.
- 4. Jerry continues to make contacts for Hispanic co-chair when new guidelines are approved.
- 5. Michael believes the initial CEC pamphlet was already translated to Spanish. Barbaradee shares it may be in archives with other CEC materials. Jerry and Michael agreed to arrange a meeting at Archives to investigate.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 am. Jerry will contact CEC members with date and time of next meeting.

Yours in Grateful Service,