Oregon Area World Service Committee Meeting October 8, 2022 **Atonement Lutheran Church** 2315 N Coast Hwy, Newport, OR

Start: 8:30 AM with the Serenity Prayer and Welcome - Dawn B., Housekeeping - Wendy Alt.DR2 Reading of 12 Traditions – volunteer, Serena GR D2 Microphone and Voting Statement - Dawn B.,

Prior to requesting approval of the minutes, we practiced the new app poll everywhere. There were directions on tent cards and screened shared electronically. It was a practice in patience as it took some phones time to stream the poll, due to large number of members using WIFI. (30 minutes of practice) We will be purchasing a larger package as we are using a free app today (up to 25 members) as the number of members in person/electronically in attendance were more than the 25. It was suggested that Alateen members may be able to assist with helping other members use their phones for voting at assembly.

Review of February and June 2022 AWSC minutes – Bunny G. At the June AWSC It was requested for the members to review the February minutes on the Oregon Area Website and let her know if there are any changes. Since there were no changes, minutes were approved unanimous as written. We then moved on to the June 2022 minutes, emailed and posted on Area Website. With no changes, minutes be approved as received.

Roll Call: 22 in person and 5 electronic. 7 visitors

Officers: District 8: Michelle V.S. (zoom)

Delegate: Joanne, Alt. District 9: Meladee M., Delegate: Stephen. District 10: Gayle S., Chairperson: Dawn B., District 11: Patrice M., Secretary: Bunny G., District 12: OPEN,

District 13: Cindy G., (zoom) Treasurer: Barb B.

AAPP: Alt Delegate, Stephen District 14: OPEN, **District Representatives:** District 15: OPEN, District 1: Chris K., District 16: OPEN, District 2: Pat G., (zoom) District 17: Emma H.

District 3: OPEN, **Audit Budget:**

District 4: Dawn K., Audit Budget 1, Linda S. District 5: Milton A., (zoom), Audit Budget 2, Bonnie W. District 6: Ree Mc., (zoom) Audit Budget 3, Sue M.

District 7: Joan F.,

AIS Liaisons:

AIS Portland, Barb B

Coordinators:

Alateen: interim Kathy K.,

Archives: OPEN, CPC/PI: Maureen C., Communicator: Nancy N., Forum/Literature: Annie M., Group Records: Meredith D. Website/Technology: Trish B.

Past Delegates:

Bunny, Panel 38 Judy, Panel 41

Katie, Panel 59

March Assembly – virtual meeting feedback. A couple of members shared positive comments liking the speaker, education and the game. Dawn encourages anyone to send in any feedback to make our assemblies better. Our leadership team calls AWSC after every meeting looking for comments so let them know your thoughts

Delegate's Report - Joanne C., A PowerPoint, which will be included as an attachment. Joanne shared that her Panel 62 came up with their panel slogan "Panel 62 – It Started with a Shoe". Wanted us to think about why we are here listing some possible answers. 2022 Conference Summary is on line. Available to purchase or download. New daily reader available at the 2023 International Convention with registration starting in November 2022. Showed a slide of the 9 regions of the World Service Conference (WSC) Structure. We are in the NW Region. Talked about the AFG App and how many members use the app per week, there are 37 meetings held weekly. Showed up-to-date financial information from WSO. Showed a large loss in reserve Fund due to market conditions. Someone asked the question about the profit of an e-book vs printed book. WSO said they do not share literature profit information. Stephen, Alt. Delegate, shared what he found about where and who WSO invests in. Email him for more information.

Treasurer's Report – Barb B., Report is from January 1 to September 30. Income from group contributions \$12234.43, miscellaneous Income (Native American AFG Conference) \$350.00 and cash carried forward of \$30,531.81. Total income \$43,116.24

Expenses include Delegate fund, Working Fund, Assembly Allowance, Coordinator expense, NW Regional Delegate meeting plus other expenses. Total Expenses is \$12,472.84.

See attachment included on the Oregon Area Website.

WSO Road Trip – Joanne C., Oregon's application was emailed to WSO on August 30th, three weeks before the deadline. The hotels chosen to submit their bids to WSO were the Holiday Inn at the Airport and the Embassy Suites Portland Airport. The Embassy Suites was more expensive but their conference rooms were just remodeled. This month WSO will select three cities to move forward with. These three city names are put in a hat and the winner is drawn. February of 2023 the cities who applied will be notified of the final Board selection. The WSO handles all the negotiations with the hotel.

Oregon Alateen Conference Report – Kimmy and Autumn, both Alateen members, were invited to share about the conference and answer questions later in the meeting. Kathy K. Interim Alateen Coordinator, mentioned that OAC will be needing financial assistance from members and groups. Kathy and Mary W. will be putting on an AMIAS training, more information later as to when and where.

Review 2023 Budget, Linda S., 30 min. After discussion of the proposed budget, asking questions be held till the end, several members asked for adjustments before presenting to the GRs in November. See adjusted proposed budget in the attachments.

Thought/Task Force, work force and ongoing Committee sharing. - Judy J. went through all of current ongoing (see attachments) task, thought and work force committees. Stephen asked that the thought force/work group, charged with looking into the content material at an event in Oregon, be disbanded. There was a concern brought forward about questionable content at this event. After discussion and explanation, it was dissolved by a show of hands. Reminder that when we do put on an event and invite Alateens, that we review the Alateen requirements. Flyer Committee work group committee will be reviewing the guidelines and have asked for an additional person – Meladee DR9, volunteered.

90-minute lunch break (approx. 11:30 – 1:00)

Concepts of Service – Alateens Kimmy and Autumn shared the reading.

2023 Budget Update - Linda went through the changes received during lunch and she asked Bunny to send out to all AWSC. Reminder to all DRs, please go through this budget with your GRs so they are informed before the vote in November. It will also be on the website

CPC/PI Maureen PowerPoint on a new Thought Force on social media. Her proposal asks if the Oregon Area is interested in developing a thought force to further explore using social media as part of outreach to the professional targeting behavioral health. Looking for 3-5 members and will bring this up at the November Assembly. Dawn K and Maureen are on this thought force

Thought force (TF) to explore the pros and cons on admitting permanent electronic (PE) meetings into Oregon Area. This is a reassessment of the TF back in October 2021 (October AWSC Extra) If the thought force comes back with a recommendation to admit PE to Oregon area, then a task force will be established to explore policies and procedures that we need to follow Meredith, Joanne, Stephen Gayle, and Bonnie. We are asking for a report back by February AWSC 2023.

Update on **Oregon Area "Town Hall"** Meredith, Joanne, and Stephen, the town hall started with polling the 74 members who were attending the different types of meetings. (Hybrid [now called PHYSICAL WITH AN ELECTRONIC COMPONENT], in-person, or virtual). Meredith and Joanne defined the different group types then the meeting was open for questions and answers. Report will be repeated at the November Assembly. See Report is attached.

Group Records Presentation – Meredith - Her PowerPoint started with using the KBDM questions, what we know and don't know and what do you need to know. It included the definition, purpose of group records and how it worked. Since she has been doing group records, she noticed most members don't know how to start, update their meeting. Many different ways were being done; many links of service being left out of the loop so not all areas are being update in a timely manner. The purpose is to have accurate meeting information so anyone anywhere can find a meeting. She sees area group records job as maintaining group information, link WSO and Area plus communicating with GRs/DRs. Showed Oregon Area and WSO websites. This presentation will be on the November Agenda. PowerPoint with attachments.

Discussion on filling open positions and how to encourage service – Dawn has appointed two members as interims, Kathy K. and Mary W., to share the position of Alateen Coordinator. There will be an election at the November Assembly asking for GRs to vote them in. There was concern about the word Coanything and the financial ramification. Interim Kathy K., shared that the budget wouldn't change just the work would be shared. More brainstorming discussion continued. Currently we have combined PI/CPC., Web/Tech., AAPP/Alt. Delegate, Forum/Literature. Archive is also a position that have not been filled.

One Time Motion Barb B., made a motion to increase the travel allowance from \$180 to \$250 for today, October 8th and the November 19-20, 2022 assembly. Meredith seconded this motion. The vote was 23 yes (87%) and 3 no (14%) Motion passed. This subject will be put on the agenda at the February AWSC in 2023.

2023 Assemblies: Bunny has communicated with most of the current DRs and sent them the checklist of what to look for. Big item to look for is good WIFI and a screen or smart TV. Please call Bunny if you have any questions. **October 2023 AWSC also needs a host district**

Discussion on State Speakers Meeting – Dawn wanted to bring this back into our focus. This was an Area annual event put on by district or multiple districts. It was our yearly fund raiser for Oregon Area Al-Anon plus provided fun and fellowship for the whole state. Our guidelines say you have 18 months to plan. See the Oregon Area Handbook for more information. One suggestion to save this event was having the area put it on instead of a district. <u>This will be on our agenda</u> in February 2023.

Discussion on the pros and cons of having a Spanish District in the Oregon Area – Trish, web/tech coordinator thought we might want to provide Spanish translation first step as a first in the progression to include our Spanish members and create more unity. Nancy, Newsletter editor was excited that the Communicator was translated into Spanish. Gayle was in favor a Spanish district so they could have a voice at this meeting. More brainstorming continued for a few minutes. Dawn suggested that the next step is a thought force asking if there was anyone here who would like to join. Joan, Gayle, Meladee volunteered and report back at the February AWSC.

Build November Assembly Agenda. Delegate report, Breakouts for GRs (Stephen), DR (Dawn K.) and Coordinators and Officers, book report, WSO Road Trip report, OAC report, WSO website with Scott Power, Trish Website changes, Nancy – Communicator, Forum give-a-way, Election Alateen Coordinator, Archives, AAPP, Thought/Task Force update, Report of AWSC, Town Hall report back. Budget, Poll everywhere, game, round table discussion,

Finish: 4:45 PM

2022/23 Events

Nov. 19 & 20 - Oregon Area Assembly, District 17, Clackamas Community College
Feb. 18 - AWSC - District 10, Tualatin United Methodist Church
June 17 - AWSC - District 7, Southern Oregon, TBD

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Submitted 10.14.22 Bunny G.