

# Central Office of Salt Lake City, Inc.

## Central Office Representative Meeting

Tuesday 01/09/2024 @6:30 pm

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### Board of Trustees Reports

6:30 Chairperson: **Wade J.** Central Office By-Laws Preamble and Introductions.

6:32 Co-Chairperson: **Shannon M.** Excused

6:33 Secretary: **Jennie S.** Introduces herself as the new secretary

6:34 Treasurer: **Chris G.** Group contributions were down this month, but still solid. We had positive Net Income, seemingly down from previous months, but it's most likely related to the holiday season

6:36 Trustee at Large (District 2 liaison): **John S.** Excused

6:37 Trustee at Large (District 10 liaison): Alternate **Alyssa** filled in, position remains OPEN. The 2024 proposed budget was approved; there was a \$450 increase from 2023 to support sending a District 10 rep to PRAASA. Multiple open positions were filled: Bridging the Gap Standing Chair (Rick), Treatment Standing Chair (Thomas), and DCM - Section 2 (Allen).

6:40 Trustee at Large (District 11 liaison): **Phillip W.** District 11 is in process of doing an inventory; \$1000 excess in district funds to be discussed for disbursement. GSR's to bring back their group conscience at the next meeting. Bridging the Gap chair is struggling for support getting forms into the jail. The District is preparing to host area events in May and August 2024.

6:42 Trustee at Large (District 13 liaison): **Alan B.** District 13 and their groups are voting on a very generous donation to Central Office. All groups are reporting solid attendance in the district, with a couple that have 80+ in attendance. A majority have newcomers every week. The Grapevine Group had a fun and successful Christmas party with 150 in attendance. Looking for a couple more District Committee Members (DCMs); a female DCM that can support the many women's meetings would be greatly appreciated.

**Open Position:** Trustee at Large for District 10. Wade went over the responsibilities and emphasized the 2 year sobriety requirement. No one stood - please take back to your groups!

6:44 Alternate Trustee At Large: The Central Office representative Declan is interested and likely giving up his rep position but is short the 2 yr requirement by a month; the group voted to waive the requirement for him.

### Standing Committee Chair Reports

6:48 By-Laws: **Brad C.** (see notes from December regarding the motion to add a section to the duties of the Central Office Chairperson to attend the annual ICOAA Seminar each year, paid for by the Central Office account). Vote taken for amendment of By-Laws; 3 opposed. Minority opinion heard. Alan stated that his group is concerned about the variable expense from year to

year and feels there isn't much wiggle room in our budget. Vote retaken and 3 reps changed vote based on minority opinion. Wade proposed tabling the motion and authorized the creation of an ad-hoc committee to revise, composed of: Phillip (Distinct 11 Trustee), Brad (By-Law's chair), Alan (District 13 Trustee), and Brian (Central Office Rep). They will present their revisions in 2 months.

There will be a By-laws committee kickoff meeting via Zoom on 1/18 (see attached flyer). Additionally, the committee needs volunteers so please let your groups know.

7:04 Hotline Telephone: **Max D.** All positions filled but a couple of people are overtaxed. No response to his request for a list of alternate volunteers. Need coverage for Saturdays 12am-10am. Send email to [hotline@saltlakeaa.org](mailto:hotline@saltlakeaa.org) if interested.

7:05 Twelfth Step: **Charlie C.** n/a

7:06 Activities: **Kim B.** Nothing to report

7:07 Newsletter: **Danny B.** Encouraged groups to submit birthdays. Elan reminded the reps that the submissions should include birthdays that have *already* happened. As always, they are looking for stories to publish. Please remind group members and submit at: [lifeline@saltlakeaa.org](mailto:lifeline@saltlakeaa.org)

7:08 Outreach: **Jack H.** n/a

7:09 Website: **Jeff P.** There was a decrease in traffic for December, probably due to the holidays; average over the Summer months was 5000 visitors/mo while December was 4000/mo.

7:11 Literature: **Jim S.** (See notes from December regarding details on excess inventory of the book: *As Bill Sees It*). There was a previous motion to donate the books to the Alano Club, Fellowship Hall, and South Davis Recovery Center. A couple of new possibilities were brought up: a) reducing price and posting in Lifeline newsletter and b) combining it with another book to price as one. Opened up for discussion and Wade started by making amends to the group. He had talked to his sponsor and discovered that we would be violating the Traditions by giving the books to any non AA-related facilities (i.e. the above mentioned institutions). Jim rescinded motion and after a lively discussion, it was decided that it would be tabled.

7:20 Archives: **Ben H.** reported that someone donated a 3rd edition Big Book. Continuing to accept Big Book donations as well as any name tags from previous conventions. They are planning a Spring Clean Up campaign.

7:22 Public Information: **Allison S.** Has not heard back from the Public Information Area 69 people regarding the PSA offered by Broadway Media; she will give it another month. The committee also needs help with various PI events such as staffing tables at mental health conferences.

7:24 Treatment Facilities and Accessibilities: **Charlie T.** Attended a National Accessibilities meeting via Zoom to gather more information and ideas on Interpretive meetings. Suggested coordinating with the deaf community for help.

7:25 Corrections: **Serena C.** District 10 volunteers had a business meeting 1/6/24. Around 50% of correction meetings ended up not happening due to an increase in lockdowns. Charlie was able to get Lifelines; Betsy helping.

7:26 Cooperation with Professionals: **Karina B.**

Nothing to report but she wanted to give a shout out to the Interpretive Committee; a deaf gentleman actor that does filming here wanted to express his gratitude. Her partner Lacie is teaching the Serenity Prayer at No Laurels. Encouraged donations to the Purple Can.

7:27 Technology: **Elan B.**

Central Office volunteers have requested a Microsoft Office subscription at \$70/year (one license across 5 devices). There is ample room in the technology budget. Please take back to your groups and we will vote on this next month.

7:29 Coins: **Kathy M.** nothing to report

7:30 Adjourn and Close with Responsibility Statement

Next Central Office Representative meeting will be held on 2/13/24 @6:30pm