

Merger Workgroup Meeting Minutes 06-02-22

Zoom ID 5049734809 Pw: serenity Started 6:00 Ended 7:18

Opened with Serenity Prayer. Newt read from the Service Manual, page 136 Introduction. Secretary Pro tem Michelle R read the previous meeting minutes. One correction Shelly H was not in attendance at the last meeting was listed under attendees; Shelly H's email was provided to be included in future Merger communications and she wishes to participate.

John H motioned to accept the minutes, Julie H seconded, vote to accept minutes unanimous.

Newt addressed the workgroup purpose for discussion as having a limited goal to provide a structure for the new District 12 entity. The overall task/goal was to provide a structure/framework not specifics and details such as for example how much money would be allotted to the Alateen Coordinator in the budget. Specifics and details like that would be left up to the District 12 Board after the merger.

Julie H recommended we start with the bylaws, start with the description of the DR and work downward through the structure from there, addressing the timeline terms from there.

SiSi also recommended starting with DR and working down. Julie H advised that there was no Round Robin coordinator in District presently however, the Alt DR was responsible historically for a Gratitude Fair which was a fundraiser, hence the Round Robin / Fundraising coordinator recommendation by past Task Force.

SiSi stated currently District 12 did not operate under bylaws but operated under the Service Manual as its guidance for operating. Debbie S posed question as to the reason that many service positions were not filled in District 12. Cindy P advised that the Merging into one entity had been discussed periodically since the early 2000's.

Julie H as a prior DR identified historical obstacles for district service was the 3 year service commitment, travel to Assemblies (then in Fullerton), and District meetings on Saturdays.

Moving forward the Board Members in service positions should be approached to see who intends to stay on and how much time is remaining in there service commitment.

The term for DR, Alt DR and GR in the service manual is 3 years. Note: page 59 in service manual.

Discussion occurred regarding 3 year service commitment and voices heard, a reminder that the GR term is listed on page 59 of Service Manual. Also use as a reference Guideline G11.

Cindy P read from Page 70,71 in the Service Manual handbook "WSO Committees.

Discussion occurred as to who is leading the workgroup, setting goals, actionable items, and setting the agenda collectively prior to each meeting, perhaps ideally at the close of the prior meeting.

Moving forward the workgroup will first utilize AIS Bylaws and go line by line, position by position, beginning next meeting with Bylaws Article 1. Newt made motion, Julie seconded, unanimous vote.

The AIS Bylaws are available for each member to view & print on alanonventura.org. The link was provided in the Zoom chat.

John H. Will prepare the legal Bylaws document and it should be a straightforward task with 10 minutes to get subcommittee to review and approve.

Future meetings will be held to one hour to respect members time.

Meeting was closed by the Al-Anon declaration at 4:18pm.

Next meeting Thursday June 16, 2022. 6:00-7:00 pm same Zoom info.

Minutes prepared by Michelle R.

Attendees:

Newt

Michelle R

Debbie s

Julie H

Sisi

Cindy P

Margaret C

John H.

Denise S.