

## District Rep. Message: “We keep coming back because we forget what we know”

- To enter – meeting number 829 8901 2454 and password 4673 (hope). You can also get this off the district web site.
- We will need 2 other co-hosts during the meeting. Need this to monitor the waiting room and to remove anyone that is disruptive.
- Chat will be for hosts only.
- If a person doesn't respond to a verbal request or chat.... they will be removed.
- If you are locked in the waiting room call or George 541-337-2810 or Jenni H. 541-852-3358
- We will not be introducing ourselves so change your name. If you are GR or a committee chairperson put that after your name. Example: Laura G. GR, Jenni H. DR, John D. member Sunny Z, Fun and game chair
- Keep your screen muted unless speaking – yes even during the Serenity prayer and Closing.
- Only GR have vote – All members have a voice.

### Agenda November 8, 2020

#### Serenity Prayer

#### Welcome/Introductions/Attendance Sheet

#### Committee Chairs

- Secretary - Minutes – approval – Scott
- Breakfast Coordinator – Barry and Eileen (Barry do you still need an alternate?)
- Treasury Report – Carol
- Outreach report – JoAnn
- Literature Depot – Susan H.
- Literature Coordinator – Judy D
- EVI Coordinator – Diana
- 24/7 Answering Services – Ree
- Meeting List - Jeannie
- Archives - David
- Alateen
- Al-Anon – AA Liaison David

#### Old business

- Banner Report - Emily – **It's done!!!! And done well.**
  - Cost

#### New business

1. I received this request from the Oregon area Group Records Coordinator. “ Please ask your groups to send their changes through you instead of going to WSO”. As usual we go from group, to district, to area, to wso.
2. Photograph for New Oregon Area Web Site – see on next page Item A
3. Following the traditions at the assemblies – Information only – see on next page Item B
4. **Assembly on Nov. 21 Virtual** and the February AWSC & March Assembly have already been voted on to be virtual
  - a. **November Virtual Assembly Agenda:**  Dawn Public Outreach 15 min  Barb Treasurers Report and Discussion of EFT and additional WSO donation  Sue B Audit recap & Budget  Alternate Delegate Election  Area Publishing Policy  Communicator Discussion  Emma - Forum  Delegates Report includes use of the Al-Anon name  Breakouts  July and November 2021

Assembly Bids □ 2020 Presenting the Modified Voting procedures □ 2021 Voting Procedures- Brief Share □ 2 workshops

5. Mary Lynn J. Alternate Delegate o DR's I would like to ask you to poll your GR's about what topics they would like to have discussed during the GR breakout. The GR's really liked having the poll to decide what they wanted to discuss.
6. Mary Lynn Alternate Delegate is resigning at the end of the November assembly because she will be moving. She would like to vote for a new Alternate Delegate replacement at the November Assembly. So if you know any past District Representatives that would be interested in this position have them come to the November Assembly and stand for the position.
7.  
Closed with the AI-Anon Declaration.

**Item A** Tue, Nov 3, 9:25 AM (2 days ago)  
**Bunny Grimes <bunnygr1983@gmail.com>**

The task force for the New Website is looking for a photograph (Jpeg) to represent your district. This is for the front page that will be put on a loop so all of Oregon is represented.

Please send it to Deanna at [DeannaLettingGo@gmail.com](mailto:DeannaLettingGo@gmail.com)  
Need Before November 15th

**Item B**  
Our Primary Purpose – Dawn K. Chair □ Wanted to address the events that happened at the July Assembly. A video was shown during a break, and then some members shared that they felt the video was racist. I want to give some context to that whole scenario. If you are new to an AWSC or Assembly that could seem like it was coming out of nowhere. I want to explain that for several years, at least since I have been in service at the Area level, occasionally we would take a stretch break that included the song and actions from Head, Shoulders Knees and Toes, and generally lead by Judy J. This was to get us out of our seats because you can be sitting for a long time. At one of the last assemblies that we met in person I received more feedback that people wanted more opportunities to get up and not be in their chairs so long. So I was requested to include stretch breaks in the agenda. So when it came to doing our first virtual assembly I was planning on doing a couple of breaks. When someone brought the two videos to my attention that were head, shoulders, knees and toes and another dance video. There was a realization that it was not conference approved. There were reservations in showing it because it was not conference approved but went ahead. The intention was not to incite controversy it was to offer everyone a time to get up and move in a fun way. That is not what happened, and as a result of that, I know I myself started looking at my assumptions are on things, and my opinions and thoughts on things compared to someone with more years or less years than me. In a way it was a good thing that happened. It opened our eyes, it showed the reason why our fellowship says to stick to Conference Approved Literature. What I want to remind us about is that our primary purpose it to provide help and hope to the families and friends of alcoholics. As such, that needs to remain to be our focus. These things that happen, racism or whatever are outside issues because our primary focus should be on helping people. I am not saying we should not address these issues, I am not saying that we shouldn't be looking at them. I do think they inform what we do in meetings and how we are in our recovery and so many other things, it is just part of who we are. I want us to remain steadfast in what our organization is here for. I think what that is going to look like is, future exercises/workshops to inform us more about things that we may not be aware of. I don't know what that is going to look like yet because I think we have to tread that lightly with maintaining our primary purpose and maintain our focus on our recovery from the effects of alcoholism and getting off tract. It will be a continuing work in progress.