

MINUTES

Hospitals and Institutions Committee

Date: Sunday October 24, 2010 by Teleconference (approx 11:13-12:13 Pacific Time)

In attendance:

Barbara D.	Redwood City, CA	southbaycoda@yahoo.com	650-814-1084
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Old Business

1. Kathy follow up information w/CORE

Kathy wrote twice to CoRE for more information. Della is supposed to get back to her. Julie may be able to help in the communication with CoRE. 23 books sent/to be sent to ORW.

2. Review Lesa database

46 more added to the database, see her report previously submitted; letters have been going to the old CoDA address, delaying them getting to her; she did a presentation on H&I at SoCal meeting and had a good response from that; she has submitted an expense report for reimbursement of expenses

3. Update for Anne on communicate and responses

Annie reported 5 responses to her announcement inviting H&I contacts. She sent an email to area contacts. She would like Salle and Joan's contact info to obtain current Intergroup and/or VE contact info to do another email request. Barbara will send her their contact info.

4. Face to Face meeting

The general consensus is that we don't need a face to face meeting; we feel we're doing well with the teleconferences and email

5. QSR

Yumi prepared the Q3 QSR.

New Business

1. Update H&I page on CoDA.org

Yumi can submit to Roy; Lesa can send Yumi a draft

2. Other literature to mail

Kathy wants to know if we should continue to send a “standard package” and “meeting starter package”. Would also like to know what CoRE charges us for Big Books.

Lou is wondering if there is a separate fund for “Books for Inmates”.

Kathy would like to order some books once we know where we stand.

Lou asked how do we decide who gets sent what.

Lesla said in the past Sandra would send inquirers an order form, which then goes to CoRE, CoRE sends out the literature and sends invoices to H&I, but the invoices only show the cost of shipping. We think it would be better to have to orders come to us, so we can track better. We need to know what our budget is for this task. We agreed it would be great to be able to send more than just the Big Book.

Annie asked if there is a process for dealing with CoRE. We need to make it clear that H&I decides what gets sent out. There appears to be a major communication issue.

Lesla discussed sending inquirers a postcard with their literature, so they can acknowledge that they got it. She also said the “CoDA Pen Pals” idea may need more research.

Kathy asked Lesla if she can deal with the volume of requests. Lesla said “yes”. Lesla also commented that she does not send contact info of CoDA members to inmates. We all agreed it was a good idea to protect member anonymity

Next meeting- Sunday 11/28 (Sunday after Thanksgiving). 11AM Pacific time

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