Outreach Committee Agenda

January 8, 5:00-6:30 pm Eastern/ 2pm Pacific

Attending: Jay, Ann, Betsy, Jim, Leslie, Gerry, Sharon

-Serenity Prayer/ Tradition Two: For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority—a loving Higher Power as expressed to our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.

Minutes from December, 2019 reviewed

Old Business

1. Minutes- to be saved in “Service Info” under Outreach. Redacted and committee decides what is in minutes. ORG reference to Minutes has been removed.
2. Monthly Meeting day/ time: Second Wednesday evening 5:00 pm Eastern/ 2:00 pm Pacific time- Feb 12, March 11, April 8, 2020
3. CoDA Website. Continues under revision

New Business

1. Welcome to new CODA Board liaison Matt and Gail as backup liaison
2. Welcome to new Outreach Committee member Leslie!
3. Zoom for Outreach is functional. Zoom recordings have reached capacity in Zoom. Committees asked to delete previous recordings. Most recent recommendation is to NOT record meetings on Zoom, and record on local computer if necessary. The Meeting Minutes tell the story.
4. Will continue follow-up with Colombia who is asking for feedback on the Colombia website. Will try to find translator to review site.
5. Planning a workgroup to encourage workshops for intergroups across CoDA. Why do people drop off, differences, crosstalk, healthy meetings. Goal is to create meaning and passion for different and diverse groups
6. Meeting formats finished but need to show changes and get it placed on our website.
7. Is the Study Guide that was approved at CSC actually downloadable now? Could be used for alternate format. Can we find the final clean copy?
8. Sharon will continue to screen email sent to outreach.org, and Jay will respond to email sent to outreachchair.org, prooutreach website goes to committee members.
9. Discussed why Meetings do not communicate with Coda.org. Discussed why not, and how to address this as Outreach. Intergroup and workshops are key. Possible survey to groups with goal of creating passion. Steps and work with steps, how to do service, workshops. New workgroup on Outreach to existing meetings regarding updates, workshops and retreats. Meetings need to update their contact and web information. Reintroduce CODA to meetings and facilities, Coda Regions???, phone # to contact-regional contact, Intergroup problems, national phone line -multilingual, email list, recovery days- international 12 step treatment center sponsored, all 12 step meetings invited, healthy meetings matter, will CORE provide starter kit, sponsor nearby meetings with literature. Address problems with Intergroup organization. Idea of an online Coda Workshop, webinars, zoominars, Fellowship Forums,
10. New ERP Policy to review. Question regarding use of travel agency for travel arrangements. Issue of Chair for 3 months prior to CSC to be reimbursed.
11. QSR Q4 2019 submitted.
12. Discuss issue of existing and new workgroups. Look at Outreach.org
    1. Spanish- Juan workgroup
    2. H&I- Jim K workgroup. H&I could be a workgroup of Outreach
    3. Emphasis on healthy meetings- retention, useful and effective meetings

1. Current members:

Jay G.- Chair, Sharon B.-Co-chair, Ann C.,Gerry B., Betsy G., Leslie P., James K., Board liaison-Matt, backup-Gail

Action Items: Outreach Committee meeting to Second Wednesday of each month from 5:00 -6:30pm Eastern/ 2:00- 3:30pm Pacific.

Develop survey to send to groups regarding outreach and connection to coda.org and coda international

H&I workgroup report back to outreach, national and international. Forum to share prison here in the US, and with recovery programs. Suggest Outreach Forum : Prisons, incarcerated, work release programs, AA, NA, what is their protocol. California, Illinois, Fellowship Forum. Sponsor coordinator for H&I. Medical or healthcare facility to sponsor meetings. Open to sponsoring inmates, or sponsor a meeting within a facility. Talk to ministries who are in prisons.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 12, 5:00 -6:30PM Eastern time/ 2:00 PM Pacific time