

Committee meeting Dec 15th, 2024

Attendees:

Nathan	Blue	Marcus	Greg	Russ
Mike K.	Alec Z.	Stephanie	Eric F.	Lonnie
Alex McG.	Angela	Chad C.	Abby A.	Jo S.
Evan				

Nathan opened the meeting at 19:01 (ET).

Old Business:

Nathan reported a large number of people have participated this past year on Zoom.

Birthday updates:

Reviewed upcoming birthdays for December and January. As a group, we have 522 years of sobriety. Gen R.'s first birthday occurs in early January. Abby A. to reach out to see if they want a countdown. Added Chad C.: Jan 27, 2017.

Chip Fairy report (Greg):

12 chips mailed last month, 50% more than last December. New monthly record for the year: seven anniversary chips and five monthly chips were mailed. To date, 74 people have requested 153 chips. Typical requests are 8-12 chips per month (combined monthly and anniversary). Invoice sent to Nathan for current expenses (approximately \$31.00). Nathan to arrange reimbursement.

Speaker meeting selections (Marcus):

Suggestion made and approved to spin speaker selection wheel for two months instead of one to facilitate updating slides. Added Chad C. to the wheel.

Upcoming speaker meeting dates:

Thursday, January 9th
Saturday, February 8th

Speaker selections for January 9th:

Primary: Paul S.
1st alt: Russ E.
2nd alt: Nick C.

Speaker selections for February 8th:

Primary: Nathan (confirmed)
1st alt: MS Mike

2nd alt: Abby A.

GSR report (Marcus):

The report is available on the R2 website. New panel elected for district and area. Marcus is now Webmaster and Secretary for Dist. 17, contact Marcus if you need to add anything to the website. Nathan suggested added holiday meetings. Nathan to make slides and get to Marcus.

Grapevine subscription still a problem; investigation/resolution continues.

PLBB sold out. The first revision to same is underway; the updated/revised edition should be out in January.

Website fees have been paid for two more years.

Nathan added that he pays for the dot.com version of Reason and Recovery, so that's also covered. Thanks to Marcus for all his service.

Training update (Abby A.):

Training session went well. There is an update to be made to the Responsibility Sheet, but doesn't recall the precise wording at the moment. Abby A. to send update(s) to Nathan.

New Business:

Nathan reported that PayPal is now active @ReasonandRecovery.

Topic Wheel is now being updated by Lonnie. Nathan also indicated Topics will be an Old Business item in 2025.

Current hosts should now be actively recruiting their reliefs for 1st Quarter 2025. New hosts must be reported to Nathan before end of year in order to update the service roster. (All host positions were subsequently filled by time of submission.) Nathan reiterated that training for the host position is important, and strongly suggested hosts should have a computer, as hosting from a cell phone is problematic.

Service commitment updates for December:

Sunday:

Host: Chad C.

Slides: Greg

Chips: Evan

Tuesday:

Host: Marcus

Scribe: Alec Z.

Greeter: Matthew S.
Bouncer: Blue

Thursday:
Host: Abby A.
Slides: Eric F.
Timer: Jo S.

Saturday:
Host: Stephanie NZ

Sponsorship Concierge: New website form starting in January. Basic outline: new slide to direct potential sponsees to a link in the website; link will have a form sponsee will fill out and send; Concierge will check inbox for new submissions and return email with potential sponsors and contact information. We will no longer require a Concierge to attend all meetings for purposes of describing the available service. Blue announced he is stepping down from service as Concierge at the end of the year; Angela will continue as Concierge.

Holiday meeting for Christmas: Discussion ensued. The holiday meeting (Festivus) will be held on the Sunday prior to Christmas (Dec 22nd). Last year's Topic Wheel and Slideshow will be used. Nathan to prepare both, and Nathan will host the meeting. Format for the meeting will be: attendee raises hand, called upon, wheel is spun, attendee shares. The Topic Wheel will have two selections: Grievance or Feat of Strength.

New Year's Eve meeting: Will be held on Tuesday, Dec 31st as it is a regular meeting day. Previous year's Topic Wheel to be used, Nathan to prepare same.

Reiteration: All holiday meetings are 90 minutes long.

Nathan highlighted that R2's five-year anniversary meeting will be coming up in March.

Jo S. asked it were possible to have Burning Desires run on the Slideshow without the "Our Time Is Up" banner showing simultaneously. Nathan stated that would require a change to the animation; Nathan to make the change and implement on new Slideshow.

Blue requested annotation of contributions to District on the 7th Tradition slide. Nathan to implement change. Nathan also indicated that some slides have already been updated.

Evan suggested the verbiage in the Topic Master slide is confusing; Chad C. agrees. Evan and Chad C. to coordinate and submit a rewrite of the slide to Nathan.

Nathan requested photo submissions to put together a photo montage for the New Year's Eve meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 19:46 (ET)

Submitted: Blue