



Minutes of meeting

15/08/2020

Area C Assembly of Alcoholics Anonymous

held at Salvation Army Hall ,360 Pacific H'way Belmont Nth

Meeting type: Area assembly

Meeting opened 11.07 A.M

Serenity Prayer (said by all)

Read Tradition Two: Ian M

Attendance: Andrew M (Scone and Secretary) Ian M (Truth and Treasurer), Brendan, Adrian (Umina Beach) , Vanessa C (Thursday Long Jetty), Jade K(Wyong Beggins), Jaime (Truth), Dea W (3 legacies / Morpeth), Phoebe W (Spiritual awakening), Joanna (Freedom)

Voting: 8

Non-voting:2

Apologies: Dallas, Robert, Rhonda R, Michele, Nicole, Judy (E.R Trustee)

Minutes from previous meeting: read

Accepted: Ian seconded Andrew

Business arising: Nil

Reports:

Delegate:

The last 3 months have been busy including Delegate zoom meetings. It looks like this years' Conference could be held online rather than face to face because of the pandemic and if that is the case there may be a need to reduce the number of Topics put to conference for voting. One topic which has been put to conference this year was an application from some Central Coast groups to form a new Area. This last came up in 2013, however, because of the options on how to conduct conference this year we may not have time to take the selected topics to the Groups and the voting may have to be decided by the G.S.R's (right of decision)but we will have to see what happens.

Secretary: nil

DCM Reports:

Newcastle District AA: nil

Port Stephens & Hunter District:

(Port Stephens & Lower Hunter DCM)

PI Report:

Hi all,

- Obviously due to the current climate PI/CPC/H&I and Correctional Facilities service possibilities have been somewhat minimalised. We are however back at the Mater hospital in the MHSUS 2-week program and Jenny has been doing a great job there with help from other members attending every 2 weeks.

- The Newcastle CSO has had some letters printed for mailbox drops including AA at a glance and members are now starting to distribute them out in the Kurri Kurri area. Other members are expressing some interest to do the same and so Dallas M from Kurri will be happy to distribute them with a marked map so that we can keep track of their distribution.
- Miruma has now been handed over to Chris C from the Cessnock Friday living sober meeting and they will be attending fortnightly 2x women with minimum 6 months sobriety and those who interested can in touch with myself and I can forward your details to Chris. This is Friday 5pm to 6pm out at the Cessnock Correctional facility.

I endeavour to spend some time over the coming weeks making contact with some other professionals in the community to see where they are at in the current situation, to hopefully establish some relationships to create further opportunities for members to carry the message to the sick and suffering alcoholic.

Am hoping to get a report through from the central coast which will be attached, but if its not attached then I didn't get one lol

Thanks for your time and for all those who take part in service

Yours in service

Brendan S

Motion to accept P.I and C.P.C report accepted Ian seconded Dea

Financial Report:

approx. \$4613.50 in account at present. Two out of 4 Delegate levies are paid. Will pay the 3rd Delegates levy when the decision on the Conference is decided.

Motion to accept financial report: accepted Dea seconded Phoebe

General Business:

1/ website:

Although the website and Domain are in Andrew's name and seeing as we have just renewed it, it was decided that we would come back at the next assembly with suggestions on how to improve the traffic visiting the site

The Web master has been given the O.K to do what she thinks is necessary, remembering we have 12 months to fix or discard the site

2/ Public liability insurance:

Apparently there has been some misinformation about the public liability insurance and the Covid - 19 Virus resulting in some Groups deciding to close again. We have been advised that the current insurance is no different to the pre pandemic insurance. We have also been advised that ANY litigation would probably fail because of the legal arguments needed to prove a case.

3 / Gathering amounts.

A general discussion about how many can gather in a meeting was held and although we did not get a clear direction it was suggested that contact on the R.M.S website might give an in-site into what can be allowed. We are also trying to get a better understanding on what is allowed

4/ Conference 2020:

Our G.S.B has given us 4 suggestions as to what might be Conference 2020:

A discussion was held and decide that we would agree with option 4 and put our trust in our Delegate to make the decision but because of time restrictions in all these options we may have to rely on "right of decision" by our G.S.R's for the limited amount of topics this year.

Meeting Closed at 1.05 P.M (With Serenity Pray)

Next Meeting: our next meeting (s) will be to decide the Topics (maybe) and will be held via zoom.

**Have a look at the Area C website @ areaceasternregionaa.org.
We would appreciate and thoughts on improvements.**

