

3/26/18 Outreach SCM Minutes

Roll Call:

Gabe W - Secretary

Shawn M - GHANA RCM

Bob L - Treasurer

Paul H - Chair

Kip

Kevin B (Ketchikan)

Brett H

Frank

Adam P

8:30

Pre-meeting discussion of how Google Docs works...

8:35

MEETING BEGINS

-moment of silence-

Roll Call

Approval of minutes... **Minutes approved!**

Paul brings up the time of next meeting. Region meets on April 9th.

Reports

Paul - Chair. Some goals have been met.

Gabe - Secretary. Minutes are available for whoever wants them.

Bob L - Treasurer. We have no money.

Sharing

Shawn brings up that Kevin B is in the meeting somehow. Shawn accomplished his mission!

Old Business

Business proposal. Bob has updated some stuff into the sheets. He has also checked with zoom. Business accounts are 14/month. Additional toll free dialing is 100/month, so the total is 114. It might not work with lifeline phones, but with in-state service. This

information is in a tab. Bob suggests this is something to push forward with. Bob is wondering whether this will be done under region or not. Business cards are cheap to print many. Could include the Zoom Line, etc. Maybe have a meeting every night on the Zoom Line. Eventually it could be done, but it might take a while. Kip did a good job pricing materials.

Frank says people who live in remote settings would be grateful for a meeting every night of the week that could be called into. It sounds expensive, but Frank alone would be willing to give a 7th tradition to support a Zoom meeting (the 114/mo cost).

Bob says using the Zoom technology will be cheaper than the 1-800 line. It's quite expensive to keep that phone system going. It would be available 24/7. Fairbanks used to have its own phone line with an answering service. The Fairbanks area quit doing that and allowed it to go to region. That used to be 214/mo. The groups did come up with enough to pay for that. It could be afforded and would be a better service.

Shawn says that the phone line was draining our accounts and wasn't giving us enough money for other things we were doing. If we are going to get zoom let's make sure it is always used. We need to put up a schedule, etc. to make sure it gets popular. We can zoom in to various committee meetings. Laptops could be brought.

Paul asks Frank if he could call the zoom number from his barrow phone. Frank says that he can call long distance from his personal cell phone, but wouldn't be able to call from a lifeline or from his personal phone line. The zoom 877 number DID work. Paul says the 877 numbers work with unlimited call-in, but it costs 6-10c/min without unlimited.

Bob says he will get ahold of the Zoom sales representative. He will ask about a 907 area code, and if we can get it by the month.

Paul says that the phone line is controlled by PR at region. We need to find out if we will have any access to the region zoom / phone line. If the Outreach committee has its own zoom line then we will have admin controls over the line.

Shawn says that he has information on the regional PR... It doesn't look like the PR chair is going to do a lot to support this Outreach committee. Shawn asked him to participate in this meeting. The PR chair intends to continue doing PR at region.

Bring a report to region

Paul says that for the business report we need to know whether we will share the zoom line with region. He also wonders if we will bring a report to region.

Shawn says that the PR chair doesn't like the way that we started this committee. Shawn suggests that we bring a report to region and can see if we can move past this. At this point though it doesn't seem like he will move past it. We should try one more time to see if PR will be involved, but if that doesn't work we can go to an Area. Kevin is a part of Region in Ketchikan so it would be good to connect with Region. Shawn has tried to be an advocate for Outreach to Doug, but isn't sure it's going to work.

Frank says that a chairperson is a ringleader in essence, and it is confusing that the PR chair isn't allowing this 'ring' to 'lead'. Bob L is also confused why he doesn't just allow the work to happen.

Since Bob L was nominated for regional treasurer, someone from Anchorage is also running for the position. There has historically been a power-struggle between Anchorage and Fairbanks. It's time to get over it. Hopefully this Outreach committee can help achieve greater unity. Things might get more contested though.

Frank says that PR doesn't even need to participate, but just needs to allow it to happen.

Paul says that there are 9 people in this meeting. We are more than capable of doing some cool stuff. The issue is that we need to have a business proposal and decide whether to bring a report to region.

Bob suggests that we send our minutes to the PR chair. Paul says that is what we have been doing.

Shawn says that it would be good to acknowledge at this next meeting that there is an Outreach happening and to see if things can be reconciled with Region PR.

Paul says that we should bring a report to region to state how we are operating, what is happening, and asking if anyone wants to join. Paul will write a report for Shawn (the GHANA RCM)

Bob asks why a homegroup doesn't make a motion to fund this committee to pass through area to the region. Shawn says that we will try to do that.

Paul asks if Bob will email us the business proposal to make sure we can get it into the minutes. Paul also asks if we should send that report to Washington.

Bob says that currently there is no Regional Treasurer. The Regional Chair Lou Ann says in her report that Region is on a crash course for bankruptcy due to the convention and the business line. We may need help from outside regions anyways. Shawn has more information regarding that in a report.

Paul asks if we are going to ask Region for money, or whether we should ask Washington for money. We can't wait too much longer. We know about how much money we need.

9:00

Bob L suggests that we just go to other regions. Since region only meets every 3 months, it will be 9 months before we can get a Zoom line set up.

Frank says that there are more than just Washington, our report could be sent to other regions too. We should bring our report to the groups too and see if they want to fund us / how. Shawn agrees that we should go to the groups.

Bob asks if we should see if we can get funding for Moe to fly up for the Fairbanks blowout.

Bob says that Kenai is also interested. We should contact them also. Frank says that his contacts are not that great. Even with Kevin who is on the line. Contact is sometimes hard and it doesn't feel like a 'We' things. Moving towards a 'We' program and service structure is important. Something happened in Juneau, there was an RD from there, but he doesn't come around anymore.

Kip asks if there is also a distrust of outsiders. Frank says its been both outsiders, and people who have tried to participate and have been rejected.

Shawn says that we should try to get past that. He will see what he can do at the next Region meeting. Gabe has been helping him. We will see if we can get approval from Region. It is exciting that there are so many people who want to help share the message. It is a positive thing that we should

Paul says that it's important from the committee to stay focused on its project. Paul asks if we are in agreement to reach out to other regions. Frank as RD has a direct

connection to other delegates. Bob will get him something and **Frank will bring a report and business proposal to other regions.**

Frank says that the Barrow group could make a motion that the Outreach committee become part of region. Bob is concerned that if Outreach money will go to Region it could be affected by problems with Region. Frank says that all Outreach money ought to stay with the Outreach committee treasurer.

Shawn brings up the Google docs. He worked on that with Kevin earlier.

Paul clarifies that Frank will send out report and proposal from Bob.

Arizona Region is another potential contact. Frank got an email from Steve that the Arizona region agreed to get literature to the Outreach committee. That is good news! The literature is to help with out outreach. It is the literature that is on our agenda.

Bob says that the OTLB started to do its own outreach a few years ago. He has IPs left over from that project that could be added to that literature. Adam says that is awesome!

Paul asks where we should start keeping that stuff. Frank suggests that there should be a literature chair... Kip will have a new storage space, maybe she could be the Literature person. She says that she possibly could become a literature person, but will wait until she moves in. **Kip is nominated for Outreach Literature.** Frank asks about Kevin in Ketchikan. Kevin says that he will think about it, but is not opposed to being literature chair.

Paul brings up that we did a radio show in Barrow. Frank will get the recording on a flash drive and will send it to somebody. Bob listened and thought it was great!

Paul says that people have been adding stuff to the outreach document. That is cool. Bob added contacts for Tanacross.

Bob says there is enough interest that a meeting in Tanacross is possible. Shawn says that Delta is also good. The first Tuesday of every month, Shawn will go to Delta(maybe Nenana?). People will meet and go down and back. It's an hour and half away. Kip knows Erica in Delta who might be able to help. A bunch of villages in that area would be good. Adam says the chief in Tanacross would be able to help. Kip knows people in

TCC and Doyon. Bob suggest that Kip put information into the google sheet, but she isn't sure what information she needs to get from them.

Shawn says he spoke with Victor Joseph. There is a treatment center in Tok and people there want to help us, but they also want sustainability. Shawn thinks we should start in Delta and build on that.

Paul says that it sounds like there is good stuff happening for spreadsheets. Also that there is stuff coming from Arizona.

Paul says that he used the word defunct because the phone meeting on tuesday seems not to be happening as Brett and Paul experienced. **Brett says that he is committed to keep the Tuesday meeting going.**

Frank says that people in Ketchikan were interested in attending the Tuesday meeting, but it conflicts with one of their meetings. Kevin says that most people were working on getting to the meeting and Tuesday isn't a good time for them. Ketchikan meetings happen Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday 8-9pm. There are meetings in Juneau and a small island called Knockity. Bob says that we could move that meeting to Wednesdays, all we have to do get on and start announcing it. Kevin will bring up the phone meeting at their business meeting tomorrow night. **Paul asks if Brett is willing to commit to another day. Brett says its touch-and-go, but yes.** Frank asks if Kevin is willing. **Kevin says part-time, yes.** Shawn says that getting more people to share in the responsibility helps it become more sustainable.

Bob says that if we do form a nightly Zoom meeting, we will need people to chair every night. Shawn says that we can put up a shared screen message. We will have to come up with a policy.

Shawn says that he will work on the TCC sheet for the minutes and get number for Nenana and Tok treatment facility.

Paul says that it sounds like we can continue to have a tuesday meeting and try to add more and continue to use this line.

Paul asks when we should meeting again. Bob says after the Region meeting April 9th. GHANA meets the 12th. Paul asks if we can meet the 16th of April, 8:30pm. **Next Outreach committee meeting will be the 16th of April, 8:30pm.**

Bob is going to a state of Alaska behavioral health conference and collect contact info.

Paul asks if Kevin is going to get information on a second time/day for a phone meeting.
Kevin will find out a good time.

Brett says that Barrow is an outlying area. He is wondering what days would be best for Barrow. Frank says that Barrow meetings are Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 7:30-8:30pm. Sunday appears to be a good day.

Shawn says that he is willing to help anyone who wants to be trained on how to use Google docs.

Kip asks about PSAs, whether they are to be considered more in the future. Bob says that the world PSAs are pretty generic. It is something we should look at and find out how much it would cost, etc. Bob L suggests we take an AA PSA and photoshop NA stuff onto it. Kip agrees that is a possibility.

Bob asks if the minutes will be edited to remove curse words. Gabe says minutes are not verbatim, but he tries to get the essence of what is said the minutes. Paul wants his curse words to be in the minutes.

END OF MINUTES.

CONCLUSIONS

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