Ad Hoc of the Ad Hoc - District Inventory (inventory responses Feb. 2024)

Please utilize the District Inventory Report to find more details and ideas of how to implement items under your position.

***denotes what is already happening at District

FOR ALL POSITIONS

- Every position: add mentor/ service sponsor shadow for the end of outgoing members last term
 - From CPC Committee:
 Previous chairs provided valuable information about CPC and past activities including paper and digital files which have been extremely helpful to avoid duplicating work previously done. Recruiting committee membership for individuals with "institutional memory" of CPC work has been critical to our work.
- Help people understand the impact they can have to help the still suffering alcoholic by doing service work
- Announce District events/ positions at all meetings District members/GSR's attend (with enthusiasm!)

DISTRICT

- Copy of Robert's Rules to all participants (cliff notes- available on Amazon) +/or Conference notes on rules/regs
 - Copies of How the Conference Operates, Summary of Conference Procedures, and How the District Meeting Will Run handouts will be available at all times.
- Encourage committee chairs to visit groups + group business meetings
- Recruit committee members
- Hold an annual meeting for GSR's to share ways they represent their home group +/ or more frequent GSR and committee chair schools/workshops

GSR's

- Communicating better with the group
 - Suggested we add in forwarding emails to group members
- Be enthusiastic! Positive + enthusiastic reporting to your group

DCM / alt DCM

- *** Zoom District meeting
- ***Hybrid District meeting
- ***Consider experience of elders
- ***Innovative meeting structure
- ***Avoid sense of urgency or rushing during meeting
- ***Encourage patience with thoroughly discussing matters
- ***Cultivate understanding of the Traditions + Concepts

Education/ Excitement- Enthusiasm for service work

- Attend biz meetings when checking in on meetings + educate about District
- Ensure surrounding communities are served
- Invite/attract non participating groups/GSR's to district

Time Management

- Use time effectively
- Mini GSR meetings 15 mins before district meeting (to go over questions, Roberts Rules, to educate on what their GSR report should be about - so as to save time + not repeat the same information monthly)
 - A show of hands suggests GSRs would attend a 15 minute gathering prior to D72 meetings.
- Time management between district chairs + GSR reports

SECRETARY

- ***make District minutes available

TREASURER

- Create a plan/protocol for ongoing excess operating balance
 - Generate a list of ideas with the finance committee.
- Help groups understand how contributions are used
 - Explain each month in the treasurer report, also encourage folks to ask questions anytime.
- Conduct a District Finance workshop
 - Work with the Special Events Chair to possibly bring in the Area 40 Treasurer for a workshop.
- ***provide scholarships

SPECIAL EVENTS

Education/ Excitement- Enthusiasm for service work

- Newsletter (local stories, QR code, district chair position stories)
- ***Workshops educating about District positions
- How to help the still suffering alcoholic/ reframing how we talk about service
- ***Have some fun events
- Host speaker events

ANSWERING SERVICE

- Template for volunteers to use when receiving a call. (How to get Big Book to the newcomer, aa website, etc)

PI (Public Information)

- What can make our meeting schedule more appealing to newcomers? (Ex: "Do you need a BB? text the literature chair")
 - o gr code
- Distributing schedules throughout the district
 - Doing it + can always do more
- Ensure surrounding communities are served
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- ***Increase PI outreach (radio, TV, newspapers, etc)
 - o Can work on this

CPC (Cooperation with the Professional Community)

- Redouble efforts to reach out to the community
 - The previous rotation (2021-2022) was impacted by COVID. No committee was formed; however, the chair participated in one-on-one meetings and a few workshops to speak and provide AA literature. Beginning in January 2023 the committee conducted needs

- assessments to determine how best CPC can provide information and support to sectors of professional communities. Data collected from some criminal justice, hospital/medical and faith communities.
- Participated in several Area 40 PI/CPC/Hotline service workshops to share information on successful activities and programs.
- Collaborating with Al-Anon in updating contact data and efforts to contact and present to professional communities.

- Ensure surrounding communities are served

- Committee membership solicited and includes representatives from Park and Madison Counties.
- Contact database updated to include as current as possible professionals from all surrounding areas; cooperating with Al-Anon to share contact information.
- Luncheons, panels, distribute AA material to professionals
 - Participated in planning and final event for Area 40 speaker event for professionals prior to Regional Forum.
 - Developed informational card for distribution to professionals with QR codes to AA meeting app, AA preamble and goals of AA cooperating with professional communities.
 - Provided AA literature at Big Sky Conference on Challenges in Mental Health Care for the Primary Care Physician.
 - Presented speaker panel with Al-Anon to MSU nursing students and Community Health Partners.
 - o Contact made with Interfaith Council to plan meeting with faith community professionals.
 - Contact made with coordinator of the Park County Treatment Court.
 - Contact made with the director of spiritual care at Bozeman Health who recommended getting on the agenda of a professional meeting at the hospital.
- One on one meeting with professionals
 - Committee membership solicited and includes representatives from Park and Madison Counties
 - Contact database updated to include as current as possible professionals from all surrounding areas; cooperating with Al-Anon to share contact information
- Publish opportunities for service with these groups
 - Considering service workshop "Sponsor your professional"
- Invite professionals to open meeting
 - Invitations to attend open meetings are extended during meetings with professionals such as the nursing student panel and Community Health Partners.