

Dakota Alano Board Meeting Notes
February 17, 2013

Board Members Present: Susan, Mark, Lee, Rick, Dan, Mary Jo, Julie

Board Members Absent: Brad, Frank

Advisory Board Members and Guests: Rob, Mary, Gary, Katie, Tim, Pat, Erik

Meeting Opening:

Susan opened the meeting at 6:00 pm with the Serenity Prayer and an opening statement. Introductions were made. Mary read the Twelve Traditions.

Secretary's Report:

A motion to approve the January Secretary's Report, as emailed, was made by Lee. Mark seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

- * Julie reported that donations were slightly down, by \$370, from the previous month.
- * There were no donations made by the Friday night group due to the transfer of treasurer responsibility. A check was written out and received when brought to attention.
- * Insurance from December 2012 was dropped into January 2013's budget.
- * The gas and heat bill was relatively high when compared to January 2012. Probably because last year was so mild.
- * The trash bill will fall into next month's budget.
- * All and all tracking very well.
- * Reconciliation letters from the bank were passed around and viewed.
- * Upcoming expenses: printing of cards, envelopes, and gopher state announcements.
- * Julie believes letters for Gopher State will go out next week.

A motion to approve the January Treasurer's Report was made by Rick. Mary Jo seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Squad Leader and Visitor Questions/Concerns:

(Pat): Printed Dual Recovery cards were brought and distributed to the White House. Pat announced his plan to get more involved with his increased presence.

Committee Reports:

Lit & Med. (Rick): Nothing new to report. Plans to pick up newcomer packets.

Publishing (Lee/Susan): February newsletter is out. Ideas for March are welcome.

Supplies (Brad): Nothing to report in Brad's absence.

Maintenance (Frank): Nothing to report in Frank's absence.

Security (Dan): Nothing new to report.

Archives (Mary Jo): Reports/papers are up to date. Mary Jo requested a copy of the Squad Leader Guide. Ellen received a couple of flash drives to fill in any archival blanks.

Old Business:

Squad Leader Guide Progress Report (Mary): Mary produced a copy of the finished Squad Leader Guide and it was decided a formal vote was not needed to approve the guide. Lee volunteered to proof read it. It was decided that the guide should be uploaded to the website and that each group leader should receive a copy.

House Security Descriptions for Operational Journal (Susan): The proposed section, submitted by Dan, will be added on page 4 of the Operational Journal. The new addition will be e-mailed to all board members.

Website Issues (Susan): Susan will touch base with Jeff Carter and Ellen to discuss website progression. The webmaster position is still available if anyone wants it.

Meeting Cards (Susan): To be printed this week. It was agreed that the DRA meeting will be added. There was some discussion on whether or not to eliminate the Sunday afternoon fellowship from the card but it was decided to leave it as is. Since the youth meeting is no longer up and running the DRA will take its time slot on the cleaning schedule. Envelopes will also be printed this week.

New Business:

2013 Pledge Drive (Susan): Julie printed out a spreadsheet for voluntary sign-up to attend meetings and spread the word about the importance of pledging. All time slots were filled. Updated pledge sheets will be printed soon and once they are board members will be allowed to commence. Julie offered to send out reminder emails. It was decided that there will be no monetary goal for pledges as there is no immediate need for income.

Gopher State (Susan): Since Brad is going to assemble a committee it was agreed upon that a lot of the discussion surrounding Gopher State should be made when he is present (e.g.; chairs and tables, collection methods, food supply). Somewhere in there Tim confessed to owing the board \$53.

Annual Picnic (Mary): There was a group consent that the DAS should host another summer picnic. Dan made a motion to have Tim reserve a slot at Black Hawk Park for the fourth Sunday afternoon of July. Julie seconded the motion and the motion passed. A

check was given to Tim to reserve that time slot. There had been a “mystery check” written out for \$189 under the memo “Group Events” and it was determined that it was from last year’s picnic reservation. Case closed.

Motion to close:

A motion to close the meeting was made by Mark and seconded by Mary Jo. The motion passed and the meeting closed with the Lord’s Prayer at 6:50 p.m.