

Minutes for meeting two of Province V Episcopal Recovery Ministries, 1.11.22

Present for meeting:

Sister Debbi Rhodes

Rev Heather Barta

Pastor Sally Weaver

Rev Rodger Patience

Mr. David Annis

Mr. Doug Pryor

Down and dirty due to my being sick, but we got a lot done.

1. Divide up recovery groups and try to get at least 10 of each general (non-area-specific) pamphlet, e.g., "What is AA?"

These can be brought to the BPG or mailed to Debbi ahead of time.

Debbi: AA, NA, GA

Rodger: OA, Al-Anon, Al-Ateen

Sally: SAA, DA, CA

Doug: CODA, ACOA

2. Divide up states and dioceses to check out what they have available about recovery.

Debbi: Michigan, Indiana, Ohio - states only

Sally: Missouri - state and diocese

Rodger: Wisconsin and Illinois, state and diocese; Michigan, Indiana, Ohio - diocese only

Link to Indiana government website on addiction:

<https://www.in.gov/fssa/addiction/?iss=https%3a%2f%2faccess.in.gov%2f>

3. Sally will photocopy as much as she can of the Diocese of Missouri addiction website.

4. Debbi will create little pamphlet (plus copies) with some statistics on alcoholism and addiction in the U.S., and hopefully something about the church.

5. I forgot who volunteered to gather info, pamphlets, etc. from the Episcopal Church Recovery Ministries and see if there is anything else already within the church (I think it was Rodger, but I don't want to condemn him to that if I'm wrong).
6. Debbi will work on 2 mins and 30 secs to 2 mins and 59 secs elevator speech for the plenary meeting.
7. Next meeting February 1 at 3:00 CT.

Talked about what is the actual work of the meetings- to share resources, whatever we've discovered in our own dioceses or elsewhere that we think might be useful to others.

Question:

What is the workshop?

Mostly a brainstorming session/ survey opportunity

Having website form Dio MO up as template for people to use in their own diocese
Gathering information and resources from anyone who stops in
Having available whatever we can get free from local intergroups or NY
Book if available

Meet every two months to share resources, any news/updates -Next meeting
January 11th at 3:00 CST

Need a short workshop description

With people in your own diocese, have real clarity about the ask. Let them know they don't have to get personally involved, we just need some help with local resources for the website. Work is gathering resources, then screening and vetting.

***Won't be called upon in a crisis.

First call should be to local clergy of any/all denominations who might have information.