

Access Committee Business Meeting Minutes
Jan 18, 2003

Members in attendance- Chris C, Steve, Luther, Don and Barbara L.
Portland –

1. Review of the Nov 2001-Dec 2002 Income and expenses for PAC put together by Chris C. In this 13 month period PAC collected a total of 1,791.99 in donations and spent a total of 1,331.67. Please come to an access committee business meeting to learn more about the committee treasury.
2. Grapevine Tapes- Chris C is coordinating the taping of the Grapevine for blind or low vision AA members. He will be asking the Portland DCM's to ask their groups for volunteers. PAC provides the tape machine and blank tapes for this service work. We'd like to thank Eileen, Marky and Veda for their great tapes and thanks to Susan and Joey who will be taping for March and April. Also, in the future, we will be having a quickie workshop for members who would like to learn more do's and don'ts of the process for producing a quality tape...stay tuned for more details.
3. PAC is still looking for AA members who are able to volunteer to assist people in the deaf and hard of hearing community who are having trouble with their computers. Problem solving what is wrong and simple training in use of computer programs is what is needed for these individuals. There is currently no set up for when and where but this could be worked out between the AA members. This to is service work.
4. ASL meetings in Portland continue with the Old Timers Meeting being set-up for April 13th at 7th and Taylor in Oregon City at the Church of the Nazarene. The Knuckleheads mens' meeting has voted to discontinue funding an ASL interpreted meeting because of difficulty with scheduling the interpreters and the treatment center.
5. Chris C. will be making up Portland access packets to distribute to the DCM's . He will be asking the Portland DCM's to have their districts involved by having access committee reps.
6. The access committee has been asked to bring volunteers and support an AA meeting being held at the Karrington Center on SE Stark. This meeting is on Wednesday nights at 7 PM. Karrington Center is a nursing facility and living center. Please contact us if you or your group is interested (Chris at 503-774-4349 or Barbara 503-284-3057)

Oregon Area-

1. A workshop for District 14 is being planned. Skip from this district will be talking to GSR's and the DCM to set up day, time and place. Barbara and Chris have set up an outline and flyer to distribute. As stated last business meeting, this should be a very different and unusual workshop, as it will set up a learning experience for attendees through a personal involvement with a disability for a brief amount of time. We know this will be a fun and insightful plus we will have the pleasure of a potluck lunch following the workshop. Barbara will contact Skip to give him the information from the Area access committee and find out how planning is going on his end.

THE NEXT ACCESS COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE IN FEBRUARY AT THE AREA ASSEMBLY. ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. In love and service,
Barbara

