

Access Committee Business Meeting 2003 Feb 22nd

Portland

Old business-

ASL meetings- going good with some minor changes monthly

Tapes of Grapevine -new list of volunteers to do readings

-Chris knows a man who can turn the tapes into PDF and then burn
CD's for better storage

District 14 Workshop- need to contact Skip, perhaps talk to Eric DCM

District 15 – more questions about access committee...Chris to contact Portland DCM's
share more information about Portland Access

New business-

Steve to be an intern for bookkeeping for Portland access

Need to make volunteer lists- child care volunteers

hospital visit volunteers

Approach Intergroup about having TTY again

Lastly, something about a website? For Portland Access? Oregon Area link to
Intergroup?

Oregon Area Access Business meeting

The business meeting was held at the assembly and the committee was asked by Darlene to discuss the conference agenda item. The agenda item was listed under Policy/Admissions and specifically stated “discuss request to form a Conference Committee on Special Needs”. Bruce L. the alternate delegate was at the committee meeting and shed a lot of light on how the delegates conference operates (thanks again Bruce!) Policy/Admissions has both delegates and trustees on its committee. They will open discussion on the topic but this process can go on for many years as information is gathered and more questions bring more information to the committee. Another way for this to move is for the committee to bring a motion to the floor and have all delegates and trustees vote on forming a Conference Committee on Special Needs. If a committee is formed more literature and workbooks will be made available to share access information to all groups, districts and areas We in Oregon Area can get involved by contacting GSO by writing, calling, or getting on the GSO web page. We can voice our support for a separate committee and help increase awareness of the need for access to AA. Our delegate Darlene is aware that Oregon Area would like the committee to be called Access instead of Special needs. After we discussed the conference, the committee meeting went on to address questions and to share simple information about what an Access Committee can do.

Reminder: Portland Access Committee meets the 3rd Sat at 4 PM at 12 X 12 Club on NE Glisan in Portland. The Oregon Area Access Committee meets immediately after that at 5 PM at the same location. All AA members are welcome to come and are encouraged to join us...there is plenty of service work for all!!

Yours in Love and Service, Barbara