

Gamblers Anonymous

Leinster Region AGM

Minutes of meeting held on 28th February 2014

The meeting of the Leinster Region of Gamblers Anonymous took place in Clondalkin at 6.45pm.

Attendance:

Those present were as follows: Liam (sec), Tony R (treasurer), Richard (Asst Sec), Kieran (Clonsilla), Marie (Tallaght), Tony G (Clondalkin), Dave O'C (Clondalkin), Michael S (Clondalkin), Joe N (Clondalkin), Karl (Clondalkin), Tommy F (Clondalkin and Nutgrove), Tom R (Clondalkin)
It was nice to see another good number at the meeting.
The meeting was chaired by Richard (Asst Sec)

Secretary's Report:

The minutes were sent by Email and by Hand. A reminder about the regional meeting was sent out by text to 78 contacts. We are still looking for email contacts so that we can get the minutes and notifications out to all groups. Please email the gamblers anonymous website with any contact details.

Apologies received from Ciaran (PRO), Mark (PRO), Peter (website) and Dave (phone service)

PRO Report:

RTE are looking for people to talk about compulsive gambling. There are still visits to schools. There needs to be some plans put in place for the Awareness week in September.

PLO Report:

Visits were made to Mountjoy Prison, Arbour Hill and Shelton Abbey Prison. Please contact the office if anyone would like to help with the visits. The visits to Shelton Abbey are back on Tuesday evenings.

Phone Service:

The phone service is working well and volunteers are always welcome. The lines are very busy. Calls for Gam-Anon have increased dramatically. There are plenty of calls into the office each day. The busiest time seems to be around lunchtime. There are calls with regard to Gam-Anon.

Internet Service:

The website is being constantly updated with meeting details. There is a new red book app on line for those who wish to look at it online.

Confirmation of Officers

The following are the people who currently hold positions:

Secretary: Liam B
Assist Secretary: Richard (Newbridge)
Treasurer: Tony R
Assist Treasurer: Shay K
PRO: Ciaran
Assist PRO: Mark
PLO:
Assist PLO:
Phone Service: Dave
Assist Phone Service:
Internet Service: Peter
Assist Internet Service:

There are people who have agreed to join up and help expand the PRO section. All help is much appreciated.

General:

The next regional meeting will be held in Nutgrove Ave (behind Good Shepherd Church) on Saturday 10th May 2014 at 5 pm all are welcome.

The UK international convention 2014 will be held in The Holiday Inn, Basildon, Essex on the weekend of the 5th – 7th September 2014. See website for details.

If you have some free time please come on board and help to carry the message

Awareness Week – Open week will be held in September more to follow

The possibility of having a One Day convention during awareness week was put forward

We are looking for more people to get involved in the visits to Shelton Abbey on Tuesday evenings

We are moving the head office from Carmichael House to Teach Mhuire in Gardner Street

The possibility of getting the New Dawn magazine up and running again was raised. Anybody interested contact the region with your thoughts or come to the next meeting.

The ideas of having the following positions at each group were raised:

Group Secretary
Group Treasurer
Group Regional Rep

The meeting closed with the serenity prayer