

A STATEMENT OF FACTS

Concerning Operations of the Central A.A. Office of Omaha

Issued for the information of A.A. Members, whose participation in the maintenance of the Central Office, makes it possible for us - "To do unto other alcoholics what has been done for us."

The Four Functions of the Central Office

FIRST FUNCTION - PUBLICITY:

- a. All Alcoholics in Omaha, Council Bluffs and surrounding territory, who are having trouble with drink and need the help of Alcoholics Anonymous, should be given a chance to know that the help is available to them.
- b. It is the Function of the Central Office to bring to their attention through various forms of Publicity and Direct Advertising, information about Alcoholics Anonymous.
- c. Selection of the best methods to be used to publicize and advertise that help which we have for them is one of the Functions of the Central Office.

SECOND FUNCTION - TWELFTH STEP ACTIVATION:

- a. Inquiries for help which are received as a result of such Publicity should be given proper attention and be handled effectively.
- b. Every Member of Alcoholics Anonymous in this territory is interested in doing 12th Step Work and should be given the opportunity to perform Twelfth Step Service in connection with such inquiries for help; this is possible through orderly rotation of Twelve Step assignments.
- c. Every Member of A.A. should be encouraged to do 12th Step Work and be instructed in how to become an effective Sponsor.
- d. It is the Function of the Central Office to evolve plans of procedure on how best to do this, based on recommendations received through the Membership.

THIRD FUNCTION - EDUCATION:

- a. After Twelfth Steppers complete the initial part of their service of contacting persons and influencing them to participate in the A.A. Program, the task of thorough indoctrination and continued education begins.
- b. Such continuous education is carried on in A.A. Meetings, both Group and Central Meetings, plus publications; lectures and bulletins.
- c. It is the Function of the Central Office to inform itself as to the regularity of attendance of new Members at these Meetings, and to do all possible to encourage regular attendance by working with and through Secretaries of Groups to which Members belong.

FOURTH FUNCTION - MAINTAINING RECORDS:

- a. Information concerning all the above activities, what is being done, what is being accomplished, is necessary to guide the Central Office in functioning properly, and such information requires the making of Records.
- b. It is the Function of the Central Office to keep Records from which necessary information can be found at all times.
- c. In addition, the Central Office maintains telephone service through which inquiries for help from Omaha, Council Bluffs and all other towns in Nebraska and Southwestern Iowa can be received and properly attended to.

March 1, 1950

TO CONTROL COMMITTEE AND ALL AA's - OMAHA AREA:

As we all know a very constructive AA CONTROL COMMITTEE meeting was opened last Sunday and adjourned to 3 PM this coming Sunday, (see this week's bulletin). Among other work accomplished, the meeting appointed a Committee on nominations in order that an Intergroup Committee may be selected next Sunday. The report of Committee on nominations is as follows, and is herewith presented that you may give it some thought, in the next day or two:

The following named have been contacted, found available, and are placed in nomination:

<u>N.E.</u>	<u>N.W.</u>	<u>S.E.</u>	<u>S.W.</u>	<u>G.I.</u>	<u>D.T.</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Ladies</u>
Pat McG.	Chas. H.	Harry H.	Doc Sor.	Jack O'D.	Doc F.	Jim J.	Carole P.
John W.	Jim B.	Jack F.	Chas. F.	Red H.	John D.		Louise M.
Ed B.	Al C.	Larry J.	Clete N.	Ed S.	Chas. H.		

South Omaha

Geo. Y.
Al M.
Stan D.

Council Bluffs

Forrest B.
Don W.
Ben U.

and Ben M., Walt R., Jerry J., Charlie T., Colonel H., Doc Sev., Bob P., Don F., Arlon H. and Mary W.

Also being considered, but not yet contacted: Jim D., Ray M. (Fremont), Bill G., Vic M., Vic H. (North Platte), Bill O'C. (Hastings), Orville T. (Clarinda), Reg. R. (Lincoln), Harry K., Harry Del., Jack B., George S., Faye J., Elaine S. (Nebr. City), Bill P. (Valley), Russ B., Russ DeV., Margaret C., Joe C., Torrey W., Jim O'B., Park B. and Cecil A. Some amendments to these nominations may be presented Sunday.

In discussing the foregoing nominations, after reference to organization of New York Center, some of Bill W's recommendations, and to AA Traditions, this committee has gotten beyond its realm, but nevertheless wishes to submit this proposal, to-wit:

- 1 That Area AA activities be organized around a "Greater Omaha Inter-Group Service Center".
- 2 The Secretary to operate this Center under the daily supervision of an executive body of
- 3 Three Inter-Group TRUSTEES, original selection and terms of office to be determined by this Control Committee. Terms should be overlapping. Trustees will consult with and be guided by
- 4 An INTER-GROUP DELEGATES COUNCIL, composed of one delegate from every active, participating Group in the area. Council should hold monthly general meeting.

The duties and responsibilities of this Council and the Trustees are - "management of common AA problems....intergroup meetings, hospital arrangements, local public relations, a central office for interviews and information, are things in which every AA is interested, whether he has any use for clubs or not. Central or intergroup committee has to be elected and financed to look after them. The groups of an area will usually support with group funds these truly central activities. Even though the club is still large enough for intergroup meetings and these meetings are still hold, the center of gravity for the area will continue to shift to the intergroup committee and its central activities. The club is left definitely outside; where, in the opinion of many, it should be".

Respectfully submitted, Ed S., Pat McG.,
Chas.H. and Harry H.
Committee

FINANCIAL STATEMENT - REGIONAL OFFICE
Three months period ending - September 30, 1950

Bank Balance, July 1st, 1950 -		\$440.27
<u>Receipts:</u>		
Monday A.A. Meetings	\$434.35	
Contributions (Individuals & Groups)	479.30	
A. A. Literature sold	<u>55.75</u>	
		<u>969.40</u>
		<u>\$1409.67</u>
 <u>Disbursements:</u>		
Rent: Office	75.00	
Regis Hotel	3.50	
Salary	637.70	
Printing & Stationery Supplies	101.38	
Postage	59.20	
A. A. Literature	55.76	
Telephone (including installation)	51.53	
Moving office, P.O. Box, Bk Chgs, etc.	26.08	
*Contribution to N.Y. Office (SW Group)	<u>16.00</u>	
		1048.83
Bank Balance, October 1st, 1950 -		<u>360.84</u>
		<u>\$1409.67</u>

Accomplishment Report - Same Period

New Members - 33
Names added to mailing list - 42
Calls for information about AA - 224
Calls from AA members - 324
Calls for help from members - 51 (10 out of town)
Literature mailed - over 8500 pieces
A. A. Bulletins written and mailed - 4116
Meetings attended - 48 (State Hospitals Clarinda & Ingleside)
Wrote and mailed literature to all Groups in Nebraska & Swm Iowa
Wrote all State Hospitals and sent literature
Wrote all Doctors, Lawyers and Clergy in Omaha and Council Bluffs
enclosing literature - 1070
Letters to Groups - 54
Letters of inquiry answered - 38
Speakers furnished for out of town groups - 3
Mimeographed 400 sets of 8 pages, Memphis series of AA
discussions - 3200 copies
Mimeographed 350 "Prayer is Power" by Alexis Carol
Mimeographed 350 "I Must Try Somehow" - by Louis Solzer

November Statement - Omaha Intergroup Office

Bank Balance, November 1, 1950 - \$419.44

Receipts:

Tuesday AA Meetings	\$180.14	
Contributions	138.00	
A. A. Literature	<u>88.38</u>	
		<u>406.52</u>
		<u>\$825.96</u>

Disbursements:

Rent	25.00	
Salary	182.20	
Telephone	20.84	
Advertising & Film Rental	31.92	
A. A. Literature	185.99	
Postage	15.00	
Paper and Envelopes	<u>67.25</u>	
		528.20
		<u>297.76</u>
Bank Balance, December 1, 1950 -		<u>\$825.96</u>

Contributions in November

Central Group	\$15.00
Day Group	17.00
Fellowship Group	50.00
South Omaha	15.00
Council Bluffs, Ia	26.00
Columbus, Nebr.	5.00
Individual	<u>10.00</u>
	\$138.00

Accomplished:

New members - 12
Names added to mailing list - 36
Calls for information - 106
Calls from AA members - 96
Calls for help from members - 9 (2 out of town)
Referral from Minister - 1
Referral from Personnel Director - 1
Literature mailed - 16 requests
AA bulletins written and mailed - 1454
Meetings attended - 8 (1 out of town)
Letters to Groups - 32
Letters of inquiry answered - 21
Patients admitted to hospitals - 6
Members referred to out-state Groups - 5
Films furnished to two out-state Groups
Long Distance Calls - 7