

Ben Lomond Fellowship Steering Committee
July 11, 2024

Open meeting with the Serenity Prayer

Attendance: Joseph, member; Jason, chair; Mark, co-treasurer; Eric, maintenance and 7:30 p.m. Sunday secretary; Russell, activities chair; BethAnne, literature; Chris, co-treasurer; Dillon, Monday 4:30 p.m. and Saturday 6 p.m. secretary; and Michelle, media coordinator/recording secretary

Approve Recording Secretary Minutes from June 13, 2024—Russell, Mark 2nd, unanimous approval

Committee Reports:

Treasurer's Report—Chris: Quarterly report—BLF had a net reduction of \$4836.15 for working/business account and net gain of \$1010.14 to the prudent reserve. The working/business account balance is \$2876.67 and the prudent reserve balance is \$9799.33—which is just shy of three months' operating expenses, as called for in the bylaws. Eric/Russell 2nd, unanimous approval.

GSR—Open position, no report.

H&I—Coordinator wasn't in attendance, no report.

Intergroup—Open position, no report.

Literature—BethAnne: Pamphlets are all stocked up. Michelle/Eric 2nd, unanimous approval.

Online secretary coordinator—Coordinator wasn't in attendance, no report

In-person meeting secretary coordinator—Beth/Tiffany—Coordinators weren't in attendance, no report

Media coordinator—Michelle M: No report.

Maintenance—Eric R: No report

Supplies—Coordinator wasn't in attendance, but texted that he has no report.

Activities—Russell: Met with BethAnne and is talking with Michelle K, Michelle M., and Sonya about Labor Day. Park is reserved. The committee talked about breaking food, entertainment, and other needs into categories and assigning people to take care of it, and is in the process of assigning people to those categories. BethAnne said it was suggested that members of the Steering Committee each take ownership of a subcommittee. Joseph said that idea made sense when the Steering Committee was larger. Michelle suggested toning down what we spend money on, like chairs. Jason said that if things are paying for themselves, then it's fine to have them. We're still trying to decide on a grand prize, since the Hawaii trip takes a lot of the picnic proceeds. Other ideas included a sober cruise or a trip to the international conference in Vancouver. The committee will research costs of different trips, and maybe see about getting something donated. Russell will text the Steering Committee when the next planning meeting is scheduled. Eric/Michelle 2nd—unanimous approval.

Old business —

- Hybrid meetings—Should the fellowship buy the technology needed to allow meetings to go hybrid? In keeping with the 4th Tradition, individual meetings would decide on a case-by-case basis if they want to go hybrid. Jason said that we first need to know if there's any interest in holding hybrid meetings, and he said he'd check with the secretaries of the men's and women's meetings to see if there's any interest.
- Boat charter fundraiser—Tabled to a future meeting.
- Snack bar proposal—Tabled to a future meeting.
- Live music events at the fellowship—Joseph said the idea appears to have fizzled out.
- Separate QR code for Zoom meetings: Chris asked what happened to the idea of creating a special QR code to track PayPal contributions from

Zoom meetings. It needs to be discussed with the online meeting coordinator. We also talked about getting a Venmo account in addition to PayPal and Mark said he'd look into that.

New business —

- Dillon said several members would like to have a mini fridge in the kitchen. Steering Committee members noted that we've had one before and it was a stinky mess, so it's unlikely to happen again.

Close meeting at 8:16 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer. Motion to adjourn Russell/Mark 2nd.