

Spring 2017 AWSC Breakout Session

TOPIC: How to increase attendance of GR to Assemblies!

1. Background (what do we know about the topic?)

- a) Struggle right now to get anyone to do Service
- b) as DR - hard to get GRs to Dist. Mts. - Why?
- c) small groups - funds
- d) groups who have been asked still won't send GR -

Part of a bigger Prob. of just leaving GRs

- talked to groups?
- is it fear?
- lack of knowledge
- far to travel
- financial
- commitment?
- fear to step out of comfort zone

2. Discussion/Idea Generation (what are specific problems; what type of solutions are possible; what are possible solutions; what more information do we need?)

- ① - Educating Members re: benefits
b) only GRs can vote @ Assemblies } stepping out of comfort zones
- ② - Have D Mts. Some night some place
but now rotating to have it @ diff. groups
exposing others to what goes on
- ③ - Offer 1st time members to Dist. Mts. a How Al-Anm works.
Conf. Sum, or Manual as gift.
- ④ - Every month? or every other mo?
Picnic / + Day? Sharing

3. Recommendations (highlight a piece of CAL; write a newsletter article; distribute a survey; form a thought/task force; propose an agenda item; propose a new discussion topic.)

- ⑤ \$ Funds Dist. can help pay expenses
Direct Q:
- ⑥ Get in Car
- ⑦ Ask Have a member just go once to fill in if don't have a GR.
- ⑧ Funds Have a group anniversary mtg. w/ speakers to raise funds
- ⑨ Have DR personally ask & Remind GRs to go.
- ⑩ Need to have agenda on web ahead?
- ⑪ Do a Presentation @ meetings
- ⑫ Let them know Fun + Psyl. growth

(13) We need someone to tell us we can do it
becoz we may not know it ourselves.
old tapes in head

(14) Tell our stories w/ how service has
helped us grow - go around and
ask for 5 min. @ ea. mtg.

(15) Ask people to help w/ Assembly /cont.
Planning
Ask a new way

(16) Go around to groups with a little script
to help educate members -
re: service, etc.
ask - a gr to help Dist Rep. w/
a presentation, etc.

Sally
~~3/20/2017~~

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TOPIC: Doing More to increase Alateen in the area.

Started 60 yrs ago by a teen

1. Background (what do we know about the topic?)

- Alateen sponsor comm. - newspaper, falling short in Al Anon mtgs - no list, no lists at mtg., no signage

Parents bring kids to meeting -

Parents aged out

Text card

We're in trouble - so few meetings

Long standing issue - diff ways to communicate today

Fact of life -

Attendance issues -

NYNAC has dwindled

older teens may need AA + NA

contact schools

2. Discussion/Idea Generation (what are specific problems; what type of solutions are possible; what are possible solutions; what more information do we need?)

will bring as mtg topic

read from alateen

post mtg

public outreach packet - contact drs, etc. to get Alateen info out

work with Al Ateen coord. in our area

Alateen handbook

investigate alateen

public outreach

Instagram + other social media

teens also want face to face

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Adults overcome fear of Kids talking about it

Encourage groups to drop info at libraries,

all al anon needs to promote

on-line meetings -

how to keep predators out

+ protect kids

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Alateen

Alateen speaker@mtgs

transportation

WSO look at
podcasts + you-tubes

1. (cont.)

Robust ^{Lotham} alateen pgm — hard to reach the
Coord. Found a church — Amias' (sisters)
Frustrating — Walt will work with her

Alateen mtg folded — not be advertised — changed
venue not communicated Amias sit in an
empty room

hasn't been growing — older ~~teachers~~ ^{kids} came into
adult mtgs — ^{embarrassed}
if ~~Alateen~~ not discussed, get's swept under

rug

getting to mtgs difficult if parents are
alcoholic

drug & al counselor — interested in becoming
alateen mtg — she's new + may be too new to
start Alateen group — 2 yrs

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TOPIC: Better links of communication: Getting information to the GRs and groups in general.

1. Background (what do we know about the topic?)

Nancy - Not all groups have GR
Diane - NHL email phones can do but

no follow through -

Pam - communication is a problem in general

Elaine - Timely manner - requesting feed back + responses
isolation - Mardi - 19 6 weeks rotates -
Michael attend other meetings Tim - website for Dist #1
Jim - email newsletters Susan - 4 from Dist Dark

2. Discussion/Idea Generation (what are specific problems; what type of solutions are possible; what are possible solutions; what more information do we need?)

better way for all to participate

conference calls -

encourage and help people build confidence

Saturday following a meeting other commitments

WSO phone meetings have higher priority

lending library technology

Every - 6 or so week instead of once a month

dichobe CD distribution Back room of a restaurant
District more productive

Recommendations (highlight a piece of CAL; write a newsletter article; distribute a survey; form a thought/task force; propose an agenda item; propose a new discussion topic.)

Pizza + wings nights

creative ways to attract people and attendance.

