DISTRICT 7 BUSINESS MEETING Minutes

April 17, 2015 Serenity Club

Address for District 7 is: P.O. Box 32135 LV, NV, 89173 Email – <u>lasvegasdistrict7@gmail.com</u>

Meeting Called to order at 6:35 pm

After a moment of silence for the still suffering alcoholic opened with the Serenity Prayer

GSR Preamble read:

We are the General Service Representatives. We are the link in the chain of communication for our groups with the General Service Conference and the world of A.A.

We realize the ultimate authority in A.A. is a loving God as he may express Himself in our Group Conscience. As trusted servants, our job is to bring information to our groups in order that they can reach an informed group conscience. In passing along this group conscience, we are helping to maintain the unity and strength so vital to our fellowship.

Let us, therefore, have the patience and tolerance to listen while others share, the courage to speak up when we have something to share, and the wisdom to do what is right for our groups as a whole.

Introductions given- One new GSR this month (23 people in attendance)

March 20, 2015 Minutes- Motion to approve made and accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Given by Dano Opening Balance: \$3,328.32 Plus Income: \$688.38 Expenses: \$653.17 Ending Balance: \$3,170.43

Motion to approve made and accepted.

Old Business:

PRAASA Report: Lisa expressed extreme gratitude for experiencing AA's different opinions.

<u>30th Annual Mt. Charleston Picnic</u>: The first meeting information didn't get out so no one could attend, so the next picnic committee meeting will be May 7 at 5:30 p.m. at Gene's house.

<u>1st Service Event Recap</u>: Dan J. said that everyone came together. Edie praised Sherri for doing all of the work. Laughs were had.

<u>2nd Service Event</u>: Jimmy mentioned needing help putting on the second event for June 20th which will cover the 5th and 6th Tradition.

<u>Re-discuss Chili Cook-off funds</u>: Edie apologized for suggesting the money go to SAGSC. Edie spoke with Sherri N. who set her straight. Edie suggested that the funds remain with the District, espeically since the picnic is coming up and costs the District thousands of dollars.

**Motion was made to keep the money in District 7. Approved and accepted.

<u>Area 42 Assembly:</u> March 27-29, 2015. Bud asked for some feedback and observations from first-time attendees. Bud stated that most agenda items were discussion items. Dan really enjoyed the camaraderie. Scott learned a lot by being at the assembly and noticed how many of those GSRs came from District 7 alone. April attended the assembly for the first time and was wondering what the significance was by having so many GSRs from District 7 to the assembly. Bud and others mentioned that it shows how revered service is in our District that GSRs of District 7 serve their groups.

Kendall reminded people to book their hotel accommodations for the Fall Assembly because they book up fast, which is September 11-13.

Anne reminded Bud that he volunteered for District 7 to donate the food for the next assembly.

<u>Website Update</u>: Anne has continued playing around with the website trying to get it more streamlined and efficient.

<u>Upcoming Southern Area Events</u>: Bud made announcements on a couple of events happening soon. The Gratitude Ball and the LVYPAA Scavenger Hunt.

Bud invited ideas for New Business Agenda Items:

Lisa reminded everyone that if you are a new GSR to please see her so that the changes can be recorded and sent to Area Registrar, Emily.

Anne brought up the contact list for District 7 Events, which people have signed up to receive information regarding upcoming District 7 events. Dano created the list for people interested in the District 7 Events. Lisa mentioned that since the work falls into "secretarial work" that the Alternate Secretary (currently Jodi L.) control, update, and utilize the list to inform people of the District 7 Events.

**Motion was made to have the Alt. Secretary take over the contact list. Approved and accepted.

Edie suggested making a binder of event guidelines to have at our events with all the information we use for and at events. Sherri suggested the information be emailed so everyone can have it. Anne suggested that perhaps the information reside on the website to open up the information to anyone that might want it. Dano reminded everyone that they're going to die one day so hard copies would be preferable to online information since GSR's and emails change. Bud took a group sense about creating a Binder for District Events. Most in favor. Sean (new GSR) stated that he works in technology and while the idea of putting everything online might not work now, it is realistic to expect that the information should be online at some point so Event Chair's don't have to be responsible for carrying around a binder. Edie volunteered to create the Binder.

New Business:

Anne suggested that it would be great for the District to try funding some small portion of GSR's to attend PRAASA. Discussion took place. Concerns about changing the guidelines, the necessity of a prudent reserve for District 7. Item will be added to next business meeting agenda.

Group Reports:

CPC/ PI: CPC/ PI: Keila was absent but Vianette gave the report on her behalf. CPC will have a table at the Gratitude Ball which they will share with Al-Anon. CPC is working to continue their efforts at providing information to the public.

Intergroup: Scott had something happen and was unable to attend the Intergroup meeting so no report.

H&I: Salvation Army is in need of help. Tom P. at 702-499-9395 is the contact there. Rescue Mission Dan-702-806-4751. Any help for WeCare 702-876-5526. And the prisons are always in need of volunteers. April asked about bringing Grapevines into the prisons. Grapevine rep, Jake, wants any old Grapevines you might have to send into the prisons. Jake's number is 702-285-9062.

Grapevine: Wasn't here to make the report.

Bud challenged everyone to get a subscription. Discussion was had Dano said a red-headed mouse suggested we give away a subscription to the Grapevine at the picnic. Motion was made for the District to purchase a subscription to the Grapevine and donate it. In light of the new discussion a vote was held. Item was tabled for New Business at the next business meeting.

Group Report: Dan J. volunteered to deliver the group report for the next business meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:33 pm

Minutes taken by District 7 Secretary – Kendall L.

In attendance:

- 1. Anne K., Webmaster, GSR
- 2. April J., GSR
- 3. Barrett K., GSR
- 4. Benny B., Alt. GSR
- 5. Bud L., DCM
- 6. Debbie S., Alt. GSR
- 7. Dan J., H&I/ GSR
- 8. Dano B., Treasurer/ Alt. GSR
- 9. Edie D., SAGSC Treasurer
- 10. Jen R., GSR
- 11. Jimmy A., GSR
- 12. Jimmy M., GSR

Jodi L., Alt. Secretary/ GSR
Joe V., GSR
Kendall L., Secretary/ GSR
Lisa T., Alt. DCM
Ming, GSR
Nick N., Alt. GSR
Sean D., GSR
Scott W., Intergroup/ GSR
Sherri W., Alt. Treasurer, GSR
Vianett A., Alt. GSR
Wade B., GSR