May 20, 2016

District 7 Business Meetings

Meeting called to order at 6:30 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- (25 in attendance) 2 new Alt./ GSR's this month

April 2016 Minutes- Motion to approve made and accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Given by Dano

Opening Balance: \$5,241.43

Plus Income: \$266.63 Expenses: \$141.19

Closing Balance: \$5,192.37

Unknown groups gave nice donations. Dano wanted to send a thank you note but neither replied as of business meeting. Motion to approve made and accepted.

## **Old Business:**

SAGSC Report: Lisa attended as Bud was out of town. Mike was the only person who presented anything, and he talked about his trip to New York and the conference. He "procured" a letter from the warden from the prison in Nevada. He indicated how many hits were on the website. In 2015, there were 12+ million hits to the AA website. Talked about safety, diversity, and singleness of purpose. Told an interesting story of a black woman at a meeting who asked, "where do I go to find people like me?", to which someone responded, "C.A." Oi vey!!!

Picnic Update: Sherri not here, so Debbie will give the report. Next meeting is Sunday, May 22nd at Solutions at 5:00 pm. They discussed the T-shirt designs. Joe got the tickets today so they are now ready for sale. Food is ticket only and people are encouraged not to invite

people without getting them tickets. Benny is brewing ideas regarding signage. They are in need of items to raffle at the event. Gift baskets and donated services are always accepted. Rhonda from archives will be there. Donations should be accepted by individuals and not the district to ensure that AA is kept separate from outside enterprises.

2nd Service Event: June 18th 11:00-1:00pm. Chris has fliers out and thanked everyone that's helping out with the event. Sunday rehearsals every other week at Scott's house. Going to up it to every week. Speaker panel on Step 6.

Website Update: Anne says we now own the website 100%. Sean has agreed to be the committee. Anne will update the flyer for the website and just posted the Area 42 newsletter. Anne asked that if we know of other events going on, Anne has a place on the website to place information for their events as well.

## **New Business:**

Website: Anne mentioned that there have been a number of anonymity breaks on the Area 42 website. Ad hoc committee was created to look at what's been living on the Area 42 website. Anne would like to establish guidelines for the District. Ad hoc committee of Sean and Kendall to create guidelines. By next meeting, we will have recommendations for the amendment to the Webmaster position.

## Group Reports:

Intergroup: Scott states that they have reconfigured a new search engine. You will be able to directly pull up meetings by zip codes. Jon C., Intergroup liaison, is looking for a co-chair. H&I donated over \$4,000 in April and spent it. Hearing impaired 4800 Alpine Way, 2nd Floor, Suite D. needs support. Round-up donated over \$5,000 to central office. Edie stated that it could be a mistake since the Round-up lost \$8,000.

CPC/PI: Keila Here! Green cans have been doing really well. H&I has been an inspiration. May 25th, Senior Health Fair. May 27th, Spring fair. Founder's Day will also be coming up and CPC will be there. GSO suggested certain pamphlets be distributed to health professionals. PI began making lists of libraries needing a Big Book or 12 and 12. Mesquite Service Festival, Project Homeless Connect events went well this past month. CPC creating packets for healthcare professionals.

Lisa asked about the green cans. H&I doesn't get money from a budget. Keila mentioned that H&I did in the beginning and the green cans are meant to be a goal of CPC to be self-supporting.

April mentioned that Cherie showed up at a Grapevine meeting about getting a subscription to the Grapevine for the libraries. April asked about the progress of that sponsor-a-library program, and Keila would check-in on the next meeting about that.

Edie mentioned that the CPC/PI committee has the largest budget of all the committees. CPC/PI got \$1,400 for the budget. Intergroup and special needs are other committees receiving funding.

H&I: Dan J. couldn't make it to the last H&I meeting.

Grapevine: April J. mentioned that Grapevine is holding a "Grapevine Writing Event" from 2-3:30pm at Triangle Club. Electronic writing devices welcome. She also has Grapevines if anyone needs one.

Group Report: BYOB- Bring Your Own Book. Monday-Friday at 10am. Could really use the support if anyone wants to be of service.

Next Group Report: Jen R. volunteered.

Lisa asked new GSR's or alternates to see her after the meeting.

Meeting adjourned 7:26pm

Minutes taken by District 7 Secretary- Kendall L.

In attendance:

Anne K., Webmaster/GSR

April J., GSR

Benjamin B., Alt. GSR

Benny B., Alt. GSR

Bud L., DCM

Chris F., Alt. GSR

Dan J., H&I/ GSR

Dano B., Treasurer

Dawson H., Alt. GSR

Debbie S., GSR

Edie D., SAGSC Treasurer

Jen R., GSR

Jimmy M., GSR

Jodi L., Alt. Secretary

Joe V., GSR

Kendall L., Secretary

Lisa T., Alt. DCM

Mark H., GSR

Mike, Visitor

Nick O., GSR

Rob C., GSR

Sean D., GSR

Scott W., Intergroup/ GSR

Steffi P., GSR