

District 19 Minutes for February 3, 2015

Members present: Jim R., Carolyn D., Carolyn's Guest, Will W., Genice, Mark S, MaryAnn, Jerry S. John B., Suzanne, Harlan, and Rose.

The meeting was called to order by Harlan at 6:00 with the Serenity Prayer.

Introductions and Birthdays: Two introductions - John, the new GSR from Free to Be at the Alano Club, Mon-Fri. He is also on the standing Agenda meeting. Carolyn, the new GSR from the God Squad meeting.

Recitation of the Responsibility Pledge: *I am Responsible when anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there. For that I am responsible.*

Tradition Two: *For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority – a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.*

Will read the 6 questions on Tradition Two that were listed in the Agenda. Discussion followed.

Rose, Suzanne, David, Harlan, and Jerry shared on the questions and the importance of applying the principles of the program to the Traditions and vice versa.

Concept Two: *When in 1955, the A.A. Groups confirmed the permanent charter for their General Service Conference, they thereby delegated to the Conference complete authority for the active maintenance of our world services and thereby made the Conference excepting for any change in the Twelve Traditions or in Article 12 of the Conference Charter – the actual voice and the effective conscience for our whole society.*

Jim read Concept Two.

Harlan suggested an informal monthly study on the Concepts. David said he and his sponsor are interested in setting up such a Concept study. More information on this will be coming. All are welcome.

Harlan will try to get the video on the history of the Conference.

Secretary Report: The minutes from the last meeting will be available next time.

Registrar Report: Jesse couldn't be here today.

Treasury Report: Susanne reported that our format will be changed so that it'll be easier to read. Suzanne also stated that keeping accurate records and referring to them in the future will help us to be more realistic and not overspend.

Checking Acct: 2/2/15

Balance	\$1,290.95
Withdrawals	\$277.20
Pending Deposits	\$414.86
Savings	\$750.12
Total	\$1,441.07

We have a recurring transfer of \$100.00 from Checking to Saving and back to Checking. reported on upcoming expenditures. We host the post-conference assembly. approx. \$250.

Harlan
Last year it cost

DCM Report: Harlan showed us the rental agreement from the church that all the AA will be asked to sign. Re: Harlan's notes on the Area 8 Committee, how would we like to handle the information? suggested we get the notes ahead of time, Jerry seconded it.

Mark

Feedback on the Area Assembly: Jerry reported back on an issue that was discussed about a General Services Rep from Connecticut coming out to share his experience, strength, and hope in Sept. It'll cost \$1,000. There was dissension but in the end the vote to bring him out was unanimous.

Every January we have an Orientation Assembly. roles of all the area committees in action at these Assemblies.

We see the

Pre-Conference Information Workshops will be held Feb 24 – March 2nd. Choose any one. suggests 3 ideas:

Harlan

1. request to publish a book that combines the 12 steps, traditions, and concepts.
2. request to develop a pamphlet directed toward transgender and Gender non-conforming AAs.
3. request to consider revising the accessibility of the General Service Conference audio recordings that have restricted access.

Chuck, our alternate DCM, has resigned for personal reasons. position is now vacant. Harlan suggested we take look around at our meetings for possible candidates. meeting on Tues., March 3rd, we'll take nominations and then vote.

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At our next

Area8aa.org – get to know the website. Its got great information.

Harlan opened it up to the GSRs

Mark told us that it is against health regulations at Twiggs for dogs who are not service dogs to be on the premises.

Genice reported she regretted missing the assembly but she was out of town.

John B., from Free to Be, reported on an overload of personality problems at his meetings.

David's replacement is John B. and Gary will be the alternate. Gary will be recuperating after breaking his shoulder and arm. Tonight is David's last night at this meeting.

MaryAnn, GSR for the Deaf Video study group of AA. MaryAnn is getting used to the schedule of assemblies.

Will, from North Park Men's raucous and high functioning meeting announced that attendance has picked up.

Jerry, Common Solutions, Fri, 7:30, told us his group has done an inventory using the 13 questions from a pamphlet. They generated healthy action statements. Individuals will be asked to take responsibility for implementing these new actions. Attendance has increased from 50 something to over 70. The group hosted a step workshop on Sat for steps 1, 2, and 3. Steve, his sponsor, and a 3rd member put it together. All the steps will be done, probably 3 at a time, on a quarterly basis. It's at the Swedenborgian Church, 4144 Campus Ave., 92103.

Jim, 4th Dimension Group on Wed nights, went to the Assembly to get some information. 4th Dimension is planning an Anniversary pot luck in May with a speaker who is an old timer of that meeting.

Suzanne, our treasurer and GSR from Sky Hi Women's Group, wonders how others do their GSR reports. She wants to change how her meeting does it. As GSRs reported out we found that some GSRs present to the whole meeting, most present to the business meeting, and take advantage of announcing events and activities during announcement time.

We were asked to pray on how important it is to close at 7:00, since we've been going over.

We have approx. 80 meetings in this district yet our GSR meeting has approx. 15.

Closed with Declaration of Unity:

This we owe to A.A.'s future: To place our common welfare first; To keep our fellowship united. For on A.A. unity depend our lives; And the lives of those to come.