

## **District 21**

### **Minutes of the Meeting November 5, 2015**

Present: Brian, Jill, Line, Terry, Donna, Jeff, Rick and Diana

Our DCM, Brian, called the meeting to order and began with the Serenity Prayer.  
Line read the GSR preamble.

There were no birthdays this month.

Minutes to the October district meeting were approved as submitted.

Simon sent the treasurer's report for October, with apologies for not being able to attend:  
Beginning balance October, \$855.46. Contributions \$69.00, expenses \$42.00, which was a returned check. Ending balance \$882.46.

Jill advised that the returned check was from her group. She will look into what happened and arrange to reissue the check and ask the group to cover the bank charges.

Registrar's report: A new roster was available from Donna. Thank you, Donna, for the work on the roster. We know it's a moving target!! We determined to remove two GSR names from the list. One, an alternate, is not able to continue doing the commitment, and the other we haven't seen in a long time.

#### **DCM Report**

- Brian reported that our Area Chair had given a recap of an information session with an accountant about the Area Tax filing and record storing recommendations. The finance committee will review the suggestions and propose any amendment to the Structure and Guidelines to accommodate these requirements. It was suggested to put the storage of tax records on the website in a non-public location.  
The proposed motion to purchase equipment to support video conferencing of the Area Committee Meeting was approved. The IT committee will work to purchase the equipment.  
Brian reminded us of the Area Election Assembly on Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at Grace Lutheran Church in Escondido. He encouraged everyone to attend.
- Flyers were available for upcoming events: Central Office Anniversary Breakfast, November 14<sup>th</sup> at United Methodist Church on Camino del Rio South, 9:30-1:00; Meditation Workshop by District 11, November 21<sup>st</sup> in La Mesa, 9:00-12:00; 30<sup>th</sup> Annual ROOTS Meeting, November 22<sup>nd</sup> at the War Memorial Building 1:00-3:00, and the Inclusion Workshop, December 5<sup>th</sup> at St. David's Episcopal Church, San Diego, 92110, 10:00-1:00. Flyers for all these events are on the Area 08 website [www.area8aa.org](http://www.area8aa.org).

#### **Old Business**

- Initial plans for hosting the Orientation Assembly in January. In spite of Diana's suggesting we do much of this discussion next month, we reviewed the volunteer commitment requirements, and the food requirements. Terry suggested a restaurant supply company he has access to for comparison food shopping. Diana will send him a list. We will do extensive planning at our December meeting, and make sure all is in order at our January district meeting before the actual Assembly on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. All will start looking for volunteers, though we will do actual recruiting during January. (After the holidays and closer to the event.)

- Reports from unrepresented meetings – Brian advised that he will obtain an updated master list of meetings. Donna advised she would make an effort to visit the Saturday women's meeting at the PAC.

#### New Business

- We will meet next month at the Hamburger Factory. Brian will arrange for us to have a "reservation" – we hope to have it in the alcove in the back. PLEASE NOTE: The meeting will be at 6 pm; not 6:30 as usual.
- Peggy Rose, alternate registrar, was not able to be at our meeting. We will ask again, after the new year (and after elections?).

#### GSR Roundtable

- Donna – Early Birds – reported that their steering committee would be meeting this coming Sunday. She will talk about the Area Assembly hosting at that time. They are doing packets for vets this month – with a coin (created by them) and pamphlets from AA. There will be a game night on Saturday – AA Jeopardy. It's a lot of fun. They are planning to read Tradition 12 in the format of the meeting because there has been difficulty with "principles before personalities", and they hope to incorporate the "who you see here, what you hear here, let it stay here" into the format as well. Attendance has been up.
- Jeff – There is a Solution – the group sent in a "new group" form to get a GSO#. Apparently they never had one.
- Rick – Scripps Ranch Men's Tuesday – they have 40+ attendees, with a topic out of the Big Book and a "tag" format. There haven't been too many cakes this month. Rick also attends the Tuesday and Friday San Rafael 7 am meetings. These are not registered at this time.
- Jill – TGIF – People in the group are reaching out to each other following several deaths of long time members of the group. They are getting some newcomers, and have some people who are coming back after absences.
- Line – RB Women's Group – the group has growing pains – it is now about 50 women! The meeting is 1 hour long and they read from the Big Book. Line asked for suggestions on how to handle the size. The business meeting is taking inventory: limit cake time to talk; shorten the format; do the business reports and GSR reports by email.
- Terry – Sunday Men's PAC – the meeting time is an hour and fifteen minutes. The 15 minutes is for administrative matters and cakes. Attendance is 45-60 depending on outside distractions. Terry's alternate can no longer do the commitment. He is looking for a replacement, but has had no takers. He has someone with 90 days interested. We suggested he bring this person to our meeting!

The Election Assembly will be on November 7<sup>th</sup>.

Our next meeting will be on December 3, 2015. At the Hamburger Factory. At 6 pm.

Donna read Tradition 11.

Rick read Concept 11.

We closed the meeting with the Declaration of Responsibility.

Respectfully submitted,  
Diana Adam