District 8 GSR Meeting Minutes, May 2017

05.01.2017 7:00-8:00 pm St. Mark's Church 580 Hilltop Drive, Chula Vista, CA 91910-6012

The GSR Preamble

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 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 group and for A.A. as a whole.

Open Meeting 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.'s unity, depends our lives, and the lives of those to come.

Meeting Minutes

District Committee Meeting

- 1. <u>Call to Order</u> Meeting was called to order at 7:01p.m. by Chris G., District 8 DCM.
- 2. GSR Preamble Read by Georgene N.
- 3. Declaration of Unity Read by all in unison.
- 4. Serenity Prayer Read by all in unison.
- 5. Introductions Welcome to all!
- **6.** Celebration of Birthdays None.
- 7. Twelve Traditions (short form) Read by Kim M.
- 8. Reading / Approval of Minutes Motion to approve by Paul H., seconded by Ken B.
- **9.** <u>Treasurer's Report</u> April 2017 Financial Reports distributed by Hector B. were reviewed and discussed and Hector B. gave his report. Hector has agreed to send us all an advance copy each month with the DCM packet we all receive through the email. Ken B. made a motion that Hector modify his monthly report to show more detail and list each donation or expense on separate lines with a description of each. Paul H. seconded the motion and it was approved by all.
- **10.** <u>Registrar's Report (Quarterly)</u> Don M. sent us all an email with the updated District 8 Meeting Status Spreadsheet attached. He also handed out his current "Hot List" of meetings in need of a visit by a GSR.
- 11. <u>DCM Report</u> Chris G. informed us that the file with District donation checks was not available at the ACM meeting, so we won't get our miscellaneous check donations until next month. Jane G. brought up the topic of literacy in jails, prisons and elsewhere; should we consider forming a group to focus on Literacy as a separate issue? Also Chris G. announced that "Woo Hoo Service" pins might be available next month!!
- 12. Educational None.
- **13.** <u>Service</u> Steve F. informed us that we should look into providing more Big Books and 12 & 12s to Jails and Prisons, as he knows there is an extreme shortage in most of the facilities. Kim M. said that he would contact the H & I leadership to get more info and report back to us.
- **14.** Group Conscience None.
- **15.** <u>Old Business</u> Georgene informed us that she will update us on the status of the Las Colinas Literature donation soon.
- **16.** New Business Steve F. announced the formation of a new AA meeting on Saturday night starting at 7:30 pm at the Nazarene church on Eastlake Parkway. The new meeting is called "Fear to Faith". A motion was made by Ginger S. and seconded by Paul H. to move our District 8 elections to November this year vice December. The motion was passed unanimously. Kim B. announced that the Literature Orientation meeting will be held at 8 9 am before our Post-Conference Area Assembly to be held on May 20, 2017. Gale G. read an email she received about a part-time job Opening at AA Central Office in San Diego. It is an Administrative Assistant position and applications are being accepted until June 30, 2017. Chris G. informed us that next month we will have a discussion about the storage of our District 8 supplies and equipment.
- 17. Meeting was Adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Closed Meeting with Responsibility Pledge: I am responsible.... When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that, I am responsible.

NEXT MEETING – June 5, 2017, 7pm, 580 Hilltop Drive, Chula Vista, CA 91910