District 21 Minutes of the Meeting August 1, 2019

Present:

Guest: Rick (Wiggs), Dave H., Jill, Matt, Justin, Tom Q., James Guest: Joshua, Finance Chair

Our next meeting will be on September 5, 2019, 6:30 p.m.

DCM Rick called the meeting to order and began with the Serenity Prayer.

The GSR preamble was read.

Welcome/ Introductions/Birthdays

No birthdays were reported this month.

Secretary's Report:

July minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Dave E. was absent. Expenses were \$222. Current balance is \$4606.06.

Registrar's Report

Dave H. (alt Registrar) still awaiting an updated feed (from GSO register) from area registrar Julie C. and will work to update our own registry. Current roster was passed around by Wiggs for review.

DCM Report

- ACM Overview was emailed to GSRs for review. 2020 Budget review brought good discussion.
- ICYPAA, as a new standing committee, will be sending out a survey/questionnaire regarding their responsibilities and expected activities. Input appreciated.
- Area Elections are approaching; we should be reviewing our own (D.21) elections and planning to take new or keep current commitments. The Area 8 elections are slated for the September 28 area assembly.
- A school for new DCMs is being contemplated. Monty already has a teaching packet. Discussion of when and how often to hold school.
- A request from new Newsletter chair to submit articles to the newsletter. Jill explained there are actually 3 newsletters (one for North County, one from Central Office, one from Area 8 itself). Also a proposal to have the Newsletter chair be our speaker next month. Jill to work this.
- GSO office will be shut down 28 July to 5 August.
- The Challenge: Roxanne (delegate) shared this challenge for each member of your group to contribute \$8.06 to GSO for 2019, which would cover each member's share of GSO services. See and pass flyer!

Old Business

Per Dave H. suggestion at July meeting to explore District 21 offering educational workshops for AA principles and traditions, Matt will arrange for shape and scope of these workshops, with input from the ad hoc group. He will begin work after completing his upcoming business trip (about two weeks).

New Business

See principles and traditions workshops, above. Also not The Challenge from Roxanne and requests for articles for the Area 8 newsletter.

Speaker: Joshua, Finance Area Chair

- The Finance Committee meets every second Monday at AA Central Office. Joshua passed out the June 2019 Quarterly Finance Report, the 2019 Financial Report, and the draft 2020 budget.
- He explained how the budget is set up on paper and noted one or two oddities created by the Quicken account (for example, the last column, 'Variance with Annual Budget,' often shows a negative figure although this figure is actually the amount still in the budget and not spent.)
- He also reported the general timeline for each committee to present their budget needs and the process by which that request is reviewed and edited before going to the Area Assembly for vote.
- Joshua also noted the committee's effort to corral certain expenses that occur elsewhere in the budget and put them in the overall category of Area Administration. Questions and remarks followed.

Roundtable

Reading of Concept 7 and Tradition 7 Responsibility Pledge

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