

District 8 GSR Meeting Minutes, August 2017

08.07.2017 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. **Call to Order** - Meeting was called to order at 7:05p.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 Richie S., new GSR from Friends in Low Places.
6. **Celebration of Birthdays** – Happy Birthday to Chris G. for 9 yrs on 7/19, and Ginger S. for 3 yrs on 7/24 !
7. **Twelve Traditions (short form)** - Read by George S.
8. **Reading / Approval of Minutes** – Motion to approve by Ginger S. and seconded by Don M.
9. **Treasurer's Report** – July 2017 Financial Reports distributed by Erasmo P. were reviewed. Any questions to be directed by email to Hector B. or held until next month.
10. **Registrar's Report (Quarterly)** - Don M. gave a brief report and also brought literature (pamphlets) and newest list of meetings to visit. We had a short discussion concerning new GSRs not receiving their new GSR literature packages from GSO. It will be researched to see where the problems are occurring.
11. **DCM Report** – Chris G. reminded us to consider the upcoming District 8 election of officers that will be held during our November meeting. Anyone interested in the positions of DCM, Secretary, and Treasurer – please make your desires known.
12. **Educational** - Our guest speaker was our very own Ginger S., representing the Area 8 Finance Committee. She gave us a thorough and informative presentation on the Area 8 Budget. She distributed the handout “Proposed Area 8 Budget for 2018”. We were given a brief overview of GSO, its purpose, and how it is the “Storehouse of all AA Information.” Topics covered were: the timeline of the yearly Area 8 Budget process, procedures involved in arriving at the specific budget amounts for each line item, and what percentage each category is - in relation to the total budget. Ginger took several questions and explained her answers clearly and concisely. Excellent job, Ginger ! Thank you sooooo much for all the many ways you are of service to AA !
13. **Service** – Always.
14. **Group Conscience** – None.
15. **Old Business** – Georgene will update us on the status of the Las Colinas Literature donation soon.
16. **New Business** –Next Month.
17. **Meeting was Adjourned** at 8:03 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 – September 4, 2017, 7pm, 580 Hilltop Drive, Chula Vista, CA 91910