

District 8 GSR Meeting Minutes, June 2017

06.05.2017 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 7:02p.m. by Chris G., District 8 DCM.
2. **GSR Preamble** - Read by Paul H.
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** - Happy Birthday to Georgene N. - 32 Years on 27 May 2017 !!
7. **Twelve Traditions (short form)** - Read by Chad F.
8. **Reading / Approval of Minutes** - Motion to approve by Paul H., seconded by Ken B.
9. **Treasurer's Report** - May 2017 Financial Reports distributed by Hector B. were reviewed and discussed and Hector B. gave his report. Our rent is paid through July 2017. May was a good month for donations with very little expense. He said our balance looks good for the events already planned for the rest of the year (2017). We had a discussion about the bank account monthly service charge.
10. **Registrar's Report (Quarterly)** - Don M. said there was nothing to report. He will send out current meeting status list to us through the email. We had a discussion about ways to motivate meetings to get involved with General Service, and the associated struggles that some members have had in the past.
11. **DCM Report** - Chris G. reviewed upcoming events from the most current calendar.
12. **Educational** - Our guest speaker was Blaine H., the Alternate Chair of the San Diego Imperial Area Institution Committee (SDIAC) commonly referred to as "H & I". The website with most of the information is Sdhandi.org. He delivered a most comprehensive presentation on all the aspects, responsibilities, fascinating history and service outreach of the Committee. He provided us with handouts explaining the program, lists of institutions served, and how to get involved...starting with Orientation. He also discussed the "Contact on Release" program and how to participate. He followed with a hearty question and answer session... which was well received and inspirational. Thank you, Blaine H. for making the time to come and inform us about the awesome H & I Committee and all it does to serve Alcoholics !
13. **Service** - Steve F. gave us a brief report on his recent Accessibilities Committee meeting. He will have some AA Literature catalogs coming in the mail soon to share with us. He also announced that there is a Sponsorship Workshop sponsored by Districts 6, 14 & 15 being held on 26 August 2017 and suggested our District might help out with expenses. Hector made a motion to donate \$100 to the cause and Georgene N. seconded. All were in agreement. Hector wrote a check for \$100 to District 6 for the Sponsorship Workshop.
14. **Group Conscience** - None.
15. **Old Business** - Georgene will update us on the status of the Las Colinas Literature donation soon.
16. **New Business** - Chris G. informed us that the discussion about the storage of our District 8 supplies and equipment be tabled until next month's meeting. We voted to hold our next District 8 GSR meeting on 3 July 2017 as originally scheduled.
17. **Meeting was Adjourned** at 8:20 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 - July 3, 2017, 7pm, 580 Hilltop Drive, Chula Vista, CA 91910