

## Area 8 District 4 Meeting Notes

6:30 PM Wednesday March 3, 2021

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87587629081?pwd=dHNsZS9qYlVaSmJNWVJNN28zQUc3QT09>

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Next Meeting: April 7<sup>th</sup> 6:30PM

Attendees:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maureen G., <b>DCM</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ray M., D-4 <b>Treasurer</b> , GSR Soledad Men's
<input type="checkbox"/> Chuck P., <b>Alt-DCM</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Gene L., GSR-Friday Open Disc. Group Wesley Palms
<input type="checkbox"/> Adam N., <b>Registrar</b> , GSR–PB Early Risers,	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Christina S., Alt. GSR–Sun Beach Sun
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nicole Dawn Patrol <input type="checkbox"/> Dani G., GSR-Dawn Patrol <input type="checkbox"/> Katelyn M., Alt-GSR-Dawn Patrol	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kevin H., Old GSR–Diamond Street Men's <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Antonio G. Alt GSR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bill D. New GSR
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wheeler N., D-4 Secretary, P.B. Weekend Warmup	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> David P., GSR - Old Town Speakers <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kat K. – Alt GSR – Old Town Speakers

- I. **Call to order and Serenity Prayer** (*started @ 6:34 PM*)
- II. **Tradition 3** (Long Form) Our membership ought to include all who suffer from alcoholism. Hence we may refuse none who wish to recover. Nor ought AA membership ever depend on money or conformity. Any two or three alcoholics gathered together for sobriety may call themselves an AA group, provided that, as a group, they have no other affiliation. (*Read by David P.*)
- III. **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 A.A. as a whole. (*Read by Ray M.*)
- IV. **Introductions and A.A. Birthdays** Share one thing your group does well. (*Introductions were given by all.*)
- V. **Approval of February 2020 meeting notes** (Wheeler) (*Approved by consensus*)
- VI. **Treasurer Report** (Ray) *Same start as last month, got some donations this month, paid post office box 6 months – moved (WN) to reimburse Ray for post office box fees. See Report – Posted on Dist 4/Area 8 website.*

**VII. Registrar (Adam N.)** *One goal is to get groups to consider having a GSR, not required but would be nice to have more. For those attending please get an approximate sense of how many members attend your meetings, to report next meeting. Total # of meetings for Dist 4 are 65 meetings and only ~10 GSR's attending from ~7 meetings.*

**VIII. Area Committee (Maureen G.)** *Maureen reported the following:*

A. Area Committee Meeting February 18, 2021 <https://area8aaacmreports.glideapp.io>

- Finance – fraud; sendoff; timeline for next year's spending plan
- Delegate's Report – Contributions-revenue in 2020 reached an all-time high of \$10,304,185; literature being made available on 38 major ebook platforms; Update on Audio interviews with Military Professionals; 70<sup>th</sup> General Service Conference Big Book Presentation <https://vimeopro.com/user112910871/big-book-riptab/video/500617913>; Stanford study <https://med.stanford.edu/news/all-news/2020/03/alcoholics-anonymous-most-effective-path-to-alcohol-abstinence.html>;
- For more, see the [abbreviated minutes](#) Maureen went to the Area 8 website to show members some of its features.

B. DCM and Committee Chair training February 27, 2021

- Communication, Appreciative Inquiry principles, 5 D's Maureen recommended looking up AI principles – good stuff here.

**IX. Standing Committees (GSRs)**

*GSRs are requested to participate on an Area 8 standing committee. We are asked/expected to participate on these – Please sign up. Reports – IT is supporting upcoming Area events, Literature – Conference items - will have 28 items to focus on – they will be working on understanding and improving awareness of these items.*

**X. Group Check-ins (GSRs)**

*WN – Meetings will begin moving back to in-person events and there will likely be some concerns or struggles for groups as this happens.*

**XI. Old Business**

- A. Service positions for District 4 (need an Alternate DCM) *Please notify Maureen if you are interested.*
- B. District Zoom Account reimbursement – *approved to reimburse Maureen for this cost. She will bring this back at the next meeting.*
- C. GSRs Registration and Participation on Standing Committees – *Maureen covered details for how the new GSRs can get registered.*
- D. 71st General Service Conference Materials (*to be held end of April*)
  - AGENDA Items – English
  - AGENDA Items Background Information – English [surrendertowin]
  - TIMELINE to the Conference – English

**XII. New Business**

- A. Reaching out to unrepresented groups *Covered in item VII*
- B. Volunteers for PRAASA, Unity Day, Service Positions, Committees *Starts Friday 03/05/21 at 4:00 PM registration is \$15, might be reimbursed, Maureen reviewed the agenda, encouraged us to attend.*

**XIII. Announcements/Upcoming Events**

- A. Pre-Conference Virtual Workshops: *Zoom credentials not available yet, but to be on Area website.*
  - **March 13, 2021** 9 AM – 1 PM
  - **March 14, 2021** 1 PM – 4:30 PM

- B. Area 8 Committee Meeting (ACM) - **March 18, 2021** 7-10 PM,  
Meeting ID: 231 178 354 Passcode: iluvacms
- C. Spring Roundup **April 1-4, 2021** **FREE!** [www.SanDiegoSpringRoundUp.com](http://www.SanDiegoSpringRoundUp.com)
- D. District 4 Meeting – **April 7, 2021** 6:30-7:30 PM  
Meeting ID: 875 8762 9081 Passcode: AAA8D4
- E. Pre-Conference Assembly - **April 10, 2021**
  - GSR Orientation 8:00-8:50 - Meeting ID: 937 0259 3951 Passcode: forgsrs
  - Assembly 9AM-4PM - Meeting ID: 948 8735 1057 Passcode: EYEloveA8
- F. Post-Conference Assembly - **May 15, 2021**
  - GSR Orientation 8:00-8:50 - Meeting ID: 937 0259 3951 Passcode: forgsrs
  - Assembly 9AM-4PM - Meeting ID: 948 8735 1057 Passcode: EYEloveA8

**XIV. Concept 3** (Long Form): As a traditional means of creating and maintaining a clearly defined working relation between the groups, the Conference, the A.A. General Service Board and its several service corporations, staffs, committees and executives, and of thus insuring their effective leadership, it is here suggested that we endow each of these elements of world service with a traditional “Right of Decision.” *(Read by Kat)*

**XV. Closing/Declaration Of Unity:**

This we owe to AA’s future:  
To place our common welfare first.  
To keep our fellowship united.  
For on A.A. unity depend our lives, and the lives of those to come.  
*(Recited by all)*