Area 08, District 06 Business Meeting April 12, 2021 Minutes

District 6 Business Meeting Notes 12 April 2021

In attendance: Maire H. DCM D6, Mark K. GSR North Park Mens Meeting, Annie GSR Thursday Night Step Study, Lynn D6 Treasurer, Drew GSR 4077 MASH, Gary GSR Designs for Living Meeting, Rob GSR Beginners Mission Hills

Open: Serenity Prayer DCM Maire read the GSR declaration

GSR Preamble: Read by Maire H.

Secretary Report: District 6 March 8, 2021 business meeting minutes reviewed and approved

Treasurer Report presented by Lynn. There was \$282 of income with 0 expenses. Balance of \$3,356.52

Presentation of Policy Committee by Alt Chair Chuck P

Area 8 has 14 committees and the Policy committee is one of them. It serves San Diego and Imperial counties. It is responsible for maintaining and updating AA's Structure & Guidelines (S & G). It provides guidance on the principles and framework on how AA provides services. Much of the information on how the committee works can be found on the Area 8 website under the "Delegates Corner". The process of the committee works as follows: Area 8 Assembly makes proposals for changes which requires a vote at the Assembly. The committee reviews the changes so they align with AA's principles, traditions and concepts. Then the committee's feedback is presented to the Assembly's next meeting where a motion of approval is given to move forward. This committee also reviews flyers for workshops etc both in print and electronically.

The challenge with this committee is that there are 14 committees with their own guidelines so it is up to the Policy committee to align these other committees along the lines of AA.

Presenting Policy ideas are reviewed by the Assembly and each GSR takes them back to their home group for review which in turn are given to the Policy committee to forward to the Assembly for final approval. So this can be a lengthy process!

More recently each committee revised their mission statements and the Agenda committee was eliminated but the new Armed Services committee was introduced.

This committee meets on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm and links are available on the website. Committees are always looking for volunteers and it was suggested that this information be shared by the GSR's at their home groups

Birthday Celebrations: None, we all celebrate 1 day at a time!

Old Business: Maire H. stated that feedback on Structure and Guidelines was a WIP and would be presented at the Area Assembly in April

New Business: There was some discussion made about making financial contributions/ donations to districts, GSO etc. And \$\$ for interpreters (charges \$70 to \$75 and we would require 2) at upcoming workshops. It was mentioned that D19 would make contributions for the next sponsorship workshop. Maire will attend the next ALS committee and add as an agenda item for next month's meeting

GSR Reports:

Mark GSR North Park Mens – between 30 and 40 attendees weekly. With 2 or 3 new comers per week. Less outside visitors more regulars attending. Pie chart distributions were discussed. Negotiations to meet in person. Have permission to meet in parking lot but may meet in hall soon depending on safety procedures

Drew GSR 4077 MASH -Drew stated group has a stable loyal attendance but attendance has decreased. Fewer visitors or newcomers. Last meeting had between 17 to 20 attendees. But noted no recent Zoom bombers. No mention of hybrid meeting. Waiting to hear on the plans of the chapel

Annie GSR Thursday Night Step Study Meeting – well attended each week. We use the <u>AA 12</u> and 12 book at our meeting. Average of 30 to 38 attendees each week. People from all over the US attend the meeting. Recovery Homes also attend meeting. People becoming more comfortable on Zoom and more comfortable in participating. Polly is our treasurer, our 7th Tradition contribution is stable. Our group is not paying rent at our meeting location. No mention of hybrid meeting. Will continue on Zoom until further notice

Gary, GSR Gratitutde Meeting - Stable attendence of 35 to 45. Contributions stable. Meeting is moving to a hybrid form. People in St Paul's as well as a simulcast on TV. No interpreters are required as they have moved to having their own meeting

Rob, GSR Mission Hills Beginners Meeting - This group is maintaining its status quo. Pie chart distributions were discussed. Correction: MHB is discussing reopening and exploring a hybrid model. We haven't gotten the go ahead from the church to come back or had in-depth conversations on hybrid.

Helpful AA websites

Grapevine Magazine website: <u>In HYPERLINK "https://www.aagrapevine.org/magazine"HYPERLINK "https://www.aagrapevine.org/magazine"</u>

Pacific Region Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly 2021 website: <u>PRAASA 2021, March 5th-7th,</u> 2021 | PRAASA

San Diego Imperial Area 8 website: <u>San Diego Imperial Area 08 A.A. (area8aa.org)</u>
San Diego AA Central Office website: <u>Alcoholics Anonymous San Diego Official Website (aasandiego.org)</u>
Alcoholics Anonymous website: <u>Alcoholics Anonymous (aa.org)</u>

Tradition 3 read by Maire Concept 3 read by Maire

Close with the responsibility pledge and well wishes!

Next meeting is Monday, May 10, 2021

Submitted respectfully, Annie J. GSR Mission Hills Thursday Night Step Study Meeting