District 9 GSR Meeting for April 2011 Sunday, May 1, 2011

DCM LaVon L called the meeting to order at 6:20 PM with the Serenity Prayer.

Officers present: La Von L, DCM; Gene A, Dist. Treas., Sherry B, Secretary,

Absent: Dawn B, alt DCM

Minutes of March were read and approved

Treasurer's report was received and approved. MotionMSP pass

Discussion of Treasurer's Report:

Yellow pages were already in, we couldn't undo it; next year we will discuss it earlier Larry: put it on agenda

Bills:

DCM \$176.55 Copies: 34.30

Rent for this room due this month \$45 for second quarter

Contributions received from Early Birds

GSR reports:

- Water Tower: Bill W well attended, Joe T one year, average 18-20
- SMEO: Bill W. going well, breakfast, god as we understand him, average 12-15
- Touch on Feelings: Gene going well, average 12, should go outside soon, good discussions
- Language of Heart: Larry, asst by Sally, most stable group around, solvent, well attended, average 20-25
- Early Birds informal report by Bill W; going well
- Tuesday Promises: Ken R, Kelly 3 yrs, Ken 18 mo, and Doug 60 days
- SBB: Sherry, last Friday of the month after birthday meeting will be home group meeting

Groups absent:

12 Steps & 12 Traditions, Monday Night VA, M-F Primary Purpose, Thursday Night Open, Friends of Bill W., As Bill Sees It

Activities, Sherry B: Next event will be 4^{th} of July. MotionMSP to hold it at Rook's Park. Next district meeting we will discuss allocations for funds. For now Sherry will do flyers.

Answering Service, Bill L written report, attached

Archives, Larry G: Nothing new.

Corrections, Bill L: written report, attached

Discussion: Bill W asked about prison meetings being on schedule. The explanation was that they have always done that here. Not typical of most prisons.

Lavon asked about taking group out of district schedule; Larry said we can only make it inactive; if they ever want to re-open that group, they can; Bill has to do paperwork as outside representative Lavon asked about sending newsletters to prison; maybe area can send abbreviated version without phone numbers; Sherry will talk to Carol at area; LaVon will talk to Ernie



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Treatment, Larry G:
VA-1st Saturday Gene or JC
2nd week Dawn B
3rd week JC F
4th week Shernie F

Float: Vince P and Larry and Peggy G

Literature, Gene written report

Bill W asked questions about pricing---Gene explained difference between hardback and soft back, etc.

Need to renew two Grapevines and one Lavina for county jails. MotionMSP for Gene to re-order them from pink can money

What about prison Grapevines? Area is handling that

Pink Can, Sally H: turned in \$111.91 (estimated)

Newsletter: MotionMSP (Gene) that secretary send something in to area newsletter (deadline 15^{th}) Sherry will contact Carol at Area.

Schedules: Larry, still has over 250, Bill W. took some for Water Tower and Early Birds

DCM report, written report attached

New Business:

- 1. We need some members to step up as both DCM and alt. DCM. Positions need to be filled as of Dec 31, and Dawn is not able to take over DCM
- 2. All positions will be open in December.
- 3. Look for speakers for New Years and Gratitude Banquet.
- 4. Corn roast? LaVon has talked to Steve and doesn't know if he's interested. Gene doesn't think District should take it over. Sherry suggested district just do a potluck. LaVon said she might do another chili feed.
- 5. Bill asked why there are so few GSR's here. Because we need more participation! Some members that are usually here have good excuses.

 7^{th} Tradition and the Lord's Prayer closed the meeting at 8:05 PM.

YIS Sherry



Attached report from DCM LaVon:

Pre-Conference April 15th, 16th, 17th, 2011 Sun Mountain Lodge, Winthrop WA

Friday – April 15th, 11

Left Walla Walla about 1:00 pm

We arrived at Sun Mountain Lodge about 6:30 pm. It was a really nice drive. We got settled in, then went to Web team meeting, missed everything by the time I got there.

DCM Round Table -.

Past motion - A.A. law

All money traditionally goes back to Area.

Any money up and above cost – Must go back to (Assembly)

District can keep money.

2002 02.3 Walla Walla Assembly (Prudent Working Reserve)

Handbooks - says we need to break even.

What can we do to keep costs down at (Quarterly's - Assembly's) get creative with meals.

Area 72 – Box Lunches

Extra money – Pays Area Officers.

No Area Officers get reimbursed (this Assembly)

DCM ROUND TABLE

Would DCM's like the Area officers to give a 5min. talk on each P

Do outreach to meetings that don't come to Dist. meetings.

Inventory District -- Inventory Paper Work

Ice cream social / Ask It Basket

Grapevine-Donate Pit falls if people donate to GV

We need to look into getting EACH GROUP A NEW SERVICE MANUAL

SATURDAY – April 16th, 11

Motion - Have Pre- Conference Taped - Approved

Received addition to WSEA

Alt. Delegate-Chair-Went to PRASSA in Hawaii

Secretary – Make sure turn in DCM Report after giving them, updated Map \$2.00.

Treasurer - Received cash flow YTD (Make copy of District 9 only) (Make 1 copy Of Green

make copy Gene

Officers Gave Back Expense Money. ()

Corrections - Pink Can - Each Group - Can Help Other Correction

Grapevine - Why don't you subscribe? Only 4% Get Grapevine 2.25 ea.

Will not be taking any Lit. to the Oct. Assembly. As it will take too long to inventory/

2 days – pay for / check through the boarder.

Gave Flyer - Made Copies for each group.



Treatment - Workshop - May July 18th, 11 Bridging the Gap - Working Well

DCM REPORTS -

Dist. 3 New DCM

Dist. 5 Doing an Inventory

Received Area Donations Receipts -

Gave back thump drive.

Sent Out A Short Note To The News Letter.

WERE TAKEN OFF FLASH DRIVE WILL BE TAKEN TO NEW YORK MAY CONFERENCE

PIE CHART – Someone wants to change the pie chart.

Became very confusing for me

Use up old pamphlets before printing new ones

Per mote Birthday Plan / Birthday Envelops

EXPENCES- Sun Mountain Lodge 1 Night = 94.12

Gas = 66-04

Fri. Dinner = 9.03

Sat. Snack = 3.05

Sat. Dinner = 4.31

Total 178.55

I also went to the 2011 LOCAL FORUM meeting that was held right after the Pre-Conference.

The Local Forum will be held In Richland WA – September 9th – 10th, 2011

The purpose of this Local Forum is to learn how our

Local area can reach across cultural, language,

Historical, geographical, and social boundaries to

Open the circles of fellowship for all who seek recovery.

We had good weather coming home. I want to thank you all for letting me go to Winthrop, Pre-Conference to represent your district.

Love of Service La Von L. DCM

Attached reports from Bill L:

CORRECTIONS REPORT for APRIL, 2011

- No sponsors at county jail.
- Juvenile hall meetings are being attended.

• WASHINGTON STATE PENITENTIARY MEETINGS

Upon completion of the NEW Maximum Security Complex, also known as the WEST Complex, the Medium Security Complex, where the Willshare Group held meetings, was shut down.

The old Maximum Security inside the "Walls" became the new Medium Security compound.

Because the Pioneer Group, the oldest meeting inside a penitentiary, wanted to remain behind the walls, the West complex was left to either inherit the Willshare Group or start their own group. Early in 2009 inmates in the West Complex decided to form a new group and the group is called the "Freedom to Speak Group." Home Group members request that the Willshare Group be listed as inactive and that the Freedom to Speak Group be registered with GSO. They are also requesting that Willshare group be eliminated from District 9.scheduleds and that Freedom to Speak be added in that time slot.

The Almost Home Group in the Minimum Security Unit has been unaffected by these changes.

Grateful to be in Service,

Bill L, District 9 Corrections Chair

ANSWERING SERVICE REPORT for APRIL 2011

During the month of April, we had twelve calls from women. Of those twelve, three calls were forwarded, making a total of fifteen calls.

During the same period, we had four calls from men. Of those four calls, four were forwarded, making a total of eight calls.

According to the information that I received from Pro-Tel, we had a total of 23 LOGGED calls for the month of April.

I met with Wilma at Pro-Tel on or about the 11th of April about our billing discrepancies. Wilma and I viewed all calls on the computer for the month of March bill to reflect an amount consistent with what was reported to me. She assured me that she would once again talk to her office manager about making sure that The District answering committee chair receives a correct list of all calls.

I did not receive an email of April's billing. Request that the District treasurer forward it to me.

I am putting together a new phone list. If you are presently on the list, you will be getting a call from me to verify that your number is still active and that you want to remain on the list. If you are not on the list and would like to be, call me at 200-1833 any time and I will take your info and get you on the list. OK to announce at meetings for anyone who would like to be added. Please have everyone contact me personally so that my list remains accurate. Please do not bypass me and contact the answering service. This can and has put me in an awkward position, and it is my responsibility alone to handle the answering service. Thank you for supporting me in this.

Forever Grateful! YIS,

Bill L, Committee Chair

