

District 9 GSR Meeting Minutes: June 3, 2012

DCM JC F called the meeting to order at 6:30pm with the Serenity Prayer and the Responsibility Statement.

ROLL CALL~ District Officers: DCM, JC F; alt DCM, Dawn B; Treasurer, Gene A; Secretary, Sherry B; alt Secretary, Ruth B; *Absent: alt Treasurer, Eddie P*

Groups: Early Birds, GSR Alan D; Sunday Morning Eye-Opener, alt GSR Gene A; Sunday Big Book, GSR Sherry B; 12x12 (VA), GSR Earl R; As Bill Sees It (VA), GSR Elaine F; Water Tower, GSR Colleen C; Touch on Feelings, GSR Ruth B & alt GSR Don B; Language of the Heart, rep Larry G; Tuesday Promises, GSR Wally F; Thursday Open, GSR Dan T; Sat Big Book & Speaker, rep Wally F

Absent, no report: M-W VA, M-F Primary Purpose, Friends of Bill W, DOG GONE MEN's

Committee Chairs: Activities & Archives, LaVon L; Answering Service, Webmaster, Literature & Grapevine, Gene A; Pink Can, LaVon (for Sally H); Newsletter, Sherry B; Schedules, Larry G

Absent: Shernie F, CPC-PI; John C, Treatment

Reading of Minutes: Everyone said they had received the minutes, but some had printer problems and would like hard copies at the next District meeting.

1. One correction from Gene regarding Sunday Morning Eye-Opener Group Report. He was elected alt GSR, and was listed as representing the group instead. Correction noted.

Motion made by Gene, 2nd by Ruth, and passed unanimously to waive reading of the minutes and accept them as corrected.

Treasurer's Report: Gene A handed out and read Treasurer's report. Discussion of financial report.

Motion made by Sherry, seconded by Dan and passed unanimously to accept reports.

Group reports for previous month are attached. (I'm trying a new format for entering Group Reports to stay faithful to copy on each report and keep these minutes cleaner.)

Committee Reports:

- **Answering Service, Gene A:** Pro-Tel charged us \$18.00 last month and \$26.50 for this month.
- **Activities, LaVon L:**
 - Discussed needs for Pacific Northwest Conference that will be held here (put on by Area 92) Friday, June 22 through Sunday, June 24.
 - LaVina anniversary will be held July 28 and 29 in Pasco. Continuous translation from Spanish to English will be provided.
 - Discussed 4th of July BBQ and potluck. It is an annual event budgeted for already, so no vote needs to be held. Sherry is going to pull up last year's flyer, update it, and start getting it out to all meetings, both by email and by delivering hard copies. We will again hold the event at Rook's Park.
- **Archives, LaVon L:** Purchased several photo albums at her own cost and donated them to Archives. She has asked Rita to go through photos from old activities and they will make photo albums for Archives' purposes within the fellowship only.
- **Literature & Grapevine, Gene A:** All information is on the Treasurer's Report regarding literature orders and sales. Gene has books available.
- **Pink Can, LaVon L for Sally H:** LaVon turned \$76.47 in to Gene at this meeting. Final tally will be on next month's Treasurer's Report.
- **Schedules, Larry G:** One change on the schedules. The Thursday night meeting in Dayton, One Day at a Time, now begins at 7pm instead of 8pm---Thursday only Please update your schedules to reflect the change. If you need new schedules, contact Larry G or LaVon.

- **Newsletter, Sherry B:** Sent information for newsletter to Joanne and it should be reflected in this month's newsletter.
- **Webmaster report, Gene A:** PNC has new registration forms available online, including forms for the Sunday motorcycle ride and golf scramble. Also a schedule of events will be online soon. Deadline to register for meals is June 15, although registration for conference only will be available through Saturday noon.
- **CPC-PI, Shernie F:** *absent, no report.*
- **Treatment, John C:** *absent, no report.* Larry said he hadn't talked to John any time recently so doesn't know if he is doing anything with the treatment centers.
- **Corrections:** No committee chair at this time. **Don B** has expressed a willingness to step up into the position. Larry asked if Don could get into the prison. Don said he hadn't been cleared by expected to be able to. It was mentioned that the committee chair was a co-coordinating and reporting position, and the chair wasn't required to go into every facility, as long as they had people who were able to. Don was nominated by Sherry, 2nd by Dawn B and elected unanimously. He will get in touch with Glenna and get from her whatever paperwork she has collected while she was in the job. Congratulations Don!

DCM report, JC F: Tradition Two from the Traditions Checklist:

Tradition Two: For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority—a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.

- Do I criticize or do I trust and support my group officers, AA committees, and office workers? Newcomers? Old-timers?
- Am I absolutely trustworthy, even in secret, with AA Twelfth Step jobs or other AA responsibility?
- Do I look for credit in my AA jobs? Praise for my AA ideas?
- Do I have to save face in group discussion, or can I yield in good spirit to the group conscience and work cheerfully along with it?
- Although I have been sober a few years, am I still willing to serve my turn at AA chores?
- In group discussions, do I sound off about matters on which I have no experience and little knowledge?
- Discussion of checklist. Elaine asked if other groups use this as an inventory. JC said each group is autonomous and all are free to use it or ignore it.

JC asked if groups have been receiving Box 459 in the mail and said that it is also available online at [GSO](#) and that if groups still have concerns about PNC being held here, they are welcome to attend Area business meetings and make their concerns known at that level, since the decision was made by Area and not this District.

Alternate DCM report, Dawn B is glad to be here.

Old Business:

- PNC: Gene brought up that we need more people to sign up to chair marathon meeting. LaVon will get sign-up sheets to meeting.
- Discussed 4th of July BBQ & potluck. It will again be in Rook's Park. Sherry will make changes to last year's flyer and make new ones from it.
- Discussed Delegate's Report in Kennewick. Motion was made to share expenses with Kennewick District to bring delegate, Jeff S, here to give a report on the recent Conference at GSO. The date for the Delegate's Report will be June 30 and it will be held in Kennewick. Vote to share expenses was taken and approved with one dissenting vote. Thursday Open (Dan) voted no due to feeling that they hadn't received enough information as to what the Delegate's Report was and why we should spend District money on it. Motion passed, however, to share expenses with Kennewick up to a \$50 cap.

New Business:

- Dan asked what is the best source of information on the web for AA information? GSO website is best for things that concern all of the Fellowship, and the Area and District websites are better for local events and activities.
 - i. PNC website: www.pnc1948.org
 - ii. District 9 website: <http://gander1.dyndns.org/d9/>
 - iii. Area 92 website: www.area92aa.org/
 - iv. GSO: www.aa.org
 - v. Grapevine: www.aagrapevine.org

Next business meeting will be held Sunday, July 1, 2012, from 6:30-approximately 8:00pm.

7th Tradition was taken and meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM with the Lord's Prayer.

Home Group Reports~

Saturday Big Book & Speaker Meeting

Birthdays: 4 Total, all reported to Home Group; one 60-day, one 30-day, four 24-Hour coins.

Attendance: 30-35

Upcoming Events: New Gratitude Banquet

Business meeting notes: Would like to invite all groups to participate.

Tuesday Promises, GSR Wally F

Birthdays: Two 30-day, one 60-day, one 2-year.

Attendance: 15-20

Language of the Heart, GSR Larry G

Attendance: 15-20 continues to be normal.

Touch on Feelings, GSR Ruth B, alt GSR Don B

Birthdays: One 2-month.

Attendance: 6/8

Upcoming Events: Picnic: Date & time still undecided

Business meeting notes: Elected Don B as alt GSR,

voted in favor of receiving newsletter by email,

voted in favor of supporting the Delegate's Report with Districts 4 & 18

12x12, GSR Earl R

Attendance: 6-11

Current events: Meetings going good

Sunday Morning Eye-Opener, alt GSR Gene A

Birthdays: one 2-mo, Melodie

Attendance: 15-20

Current events: \$13.50 Pink Can

Business meeting notes: In favor of supporting expenses for the Delegate's Report.

Sunday Big Book, GSR Sherry B, alt GSR LaVon L

Attendance: Friday is way down, probably due to weather

Business meeting notes: We are solvent but just meeting expenses for all our groups.

Thursday Night Open, GSR Dan T

Attendance: Average of 20-substantial increase in attendance and participation.

Upcoming Events: Will be planning a "s'mores" meeting social for this summer, details to come.

Business meeting notes:

- Discussed our growth and increased numbers at meeting.
- The success thus far of our meeting format and message.
- Service positions for June-July solidified.

As Bill Sees It, GSR Elaine F

Birthdays: 4

Attendance: 26, 20, 20, 20 Average: 20

Current Events: Group donated \$15.60 to Pink Can, given to LaVon, collecting for Sally H.

Early Birds, GSR Alan D

Birthdays: 2-months, 1-yr, 3-yr, 2-yr, 6-month, XL, 26-yr.

Attendance: 11-12 average, 356 Total

Upcoming Events: Early Birds Summer Picnic, July 29th

Business meeting notes: Now have a Pink Can, and will be planning summer picnic.