

## District Nine Monthly Meeting - May 2014

### **Attendance:!**

Trae B - Alt DCM/AltTreatment    Poor Bob - Treasurer/Alt GSR Waitsburg  
Jeff O – Secretary                Gene A - Alt Treasurer/GSR SMEO/Literature/Answering Service  
LaVon L - Archives/Pink Can      Jake - GSR SBB    Mark - GSR TNO  
Ben G - GSR Water Tower                                Colleen - Alt GSR WT    Joy- Alt GSR SBB  
Paul - GSR Early Birds    Eric - Prescott Study Group                Donnie - GSR TOFeelings  
Elaine - GSR As Bill Sees It                                2 District members

Alt DCM Trae called meeting to order, asked for attendees to join in Serenity Prayer.

Trae called for reading of minutes from April's meeting.

Minutes were read by Jeff, District secretary. Poor Bob pointed out that he had presented LaVon cash for Pink Can, not a check as was written in the minutes. Jeff acknowledged the correction & Poor Bob moved to accept the minutes as corrected.

Eric seconded. Gene stated that his concern about the use of the term 'motion' and wanted to not see it any more in minutes; grammatically incorrect. Vote was called for; minutes accepted.

### **GSR Reports**

**As Bill Sees It:** Elaine reports attendance around 15; celebrated 3 birthdays; turned over funds to Pink Can. Asked about Easy Does It form for GSRs; Gene informed her it is available on the web.

**Touch on Feelings:** Donnie reports group attendance average 5. No upcoming events or scheduled business meeting. Gene informs since no report at April meeting for group, had a member celebrate birthday of 3 years in March.

**Prescott Study Group:** Eric reports attendance 10 -15; celebrated member birthdays of six years & 25 years, upcoming events - helping out with Pig Roast Memorial Day weekend. Business; group conscience on Conference items.

**Early Birds:** Paul reports attendance 15 - 20.

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**Sun Nite Big Book Study:** Jake reports attendance 20 - 25, celebrated member birthday of 2 years.

**Thursday Night Open:** Mark reports attendance 15 -20; celebrated member birthdays of 1 day & 30 days.

**Sunday Morning Eye Opener:** Gene reports attendance 15; celebrated several birthdays, & have a continental breakfast. Elaine pointed out the group has a library of Grapevine books; Gene explained attendees of SMEO can take the books home, bring back when done, & it's a meeting in print.

**Water Tower:** Benjamin reports attendance around 15; celebrated member birthdays of 60 days, & 1 year; presented Pink Can donations to LaVon; & asked for volunteers for the Fourth of July picnic the group is putting on.

**Waitsburg AA:** Poor Bob reports for March - celebrated member birthdays of 14 years, 30 years, and 41 years; attendance 5 -16; events - providing support for Pig Roast at Waitsburg Fair Grounds on Memorial Day weekend. Reports Chicken Drop was record breaking attendance, Armando from TriCities speaker. Misty big winner of the 50/50 raffle Business meeting reports on District storage of assets item; group conscience was item should be taken back to all home groups for group conscience of each.

April - Poor Bob reports celebrated three member birthdays of 90 days & one of 26 years; attendance 5 - 10; upcoming events: providing support for Pig Roast; no April business meeting.

### **Treasurer's Report**

! Poor Bob presented financial report. Donnie moved to accept report. Gene seconded. Trae called for vote. Report accepted.

### **Literature Report**

! Gene reports he was remiss in providing a hard copy of report; would ensure in future, & explained contents in the report.

**Corrections Report:** Trae informed in need of chair

**Treatment Committee Report:** Trae informed in need of chair

**Public Information Committee Report:** Benjamin reports speaking with representatives from St Mary Hospital, Serenity Point, & DSHS about getting wall racks in their lobby areas; asked for volunteer to help fill racks with AA pamphlets on monthly basis.

**Cooperation with Professional Community Report:** Trae informed in need of chair.

**Pink Can Report:** LaVon informed turned in Pink Can donations. Poor Bob asked if they were for April or May; LaVon informed May.

**Answering Service Report:** Gene reports getting some volunteers, yet still in need of women volunteers for service.

### ***Old Business***

Storage of District Assets: Donnie informs that this item was voted on months ago, doesn't need to be on the agenda, & someone should talk with George about storing the assets.

District Hand Book Committee: Trae reports no news on this item at this time.

Area January 2015 Quarterly: Gene reports Senior Center is asking for \$600. to use their facilities & that most of that money would be made back in registration fees.

Fourth of July Chairperson: Trae informed it was her understanding that District events like 4th of July are seeded money & doesn't require paying the District back. Poor Bob informed that seeded money is always required to be returned. Benjamin reported that \$100. was to be ear-marked for picnic, if not, group would raise funds itself.

### ***New Business***

Gratitude Banquette : Trae informed the District is looking for a group to host.

June District Meeting: Trae informs the meeting will be on where we are, where we are going, & how do we get there. She added that the agenda for the meeting should include a Answering Service Report. Gene added we need to add a report for the Website as well. Trae added the Archives Report needs to be added to the agenda also.

District Website: Gene reports the free service provider for the website District has used for years wanted money now. He stated that he took upon himself to purchase new provider with new url. New site url; **wseadistrict9aa.org** Gene asked District for reimbursement for personal funds spent on getting new account for site. Poor Bob asked was the cost for one year; Gene replied it is for three years. Donnie moved that District accept the charge; Mark seconded. Vote was taken, motion carries.

Gene also informed that there will be a cost of \$25. annually for space on the provider's servers. Eric moved that District fund this annual expense to be included in the budget. Donnie seconded; vote was taken, motion carries. Gene informed that Jeff is the Alt Webmaster & has access to site.

Trae informed that on corrections to the agenda; Just Bob reported Juvenile Justice Center was doing well. She stated another correction that needs to be addressed is the schedules; still showing Sun Va meeting at 2pm & still not showing current treasurer. Jake reports that there is still a meeting at the VA theater on Sun at 2pm. Several raised concern of is it a sanctioned meeting since DCM Dave L reported to GSO that meeting was officially shut down. Jeff stated that since the police have been opening the theater for AA for years, they are continuing to do not aware the meeting was closed down. Gene expressed concern that meeting members may not have applied for new meeting number.

GSR Workshop: Gene reported that at Area Conference that Districts 9 & 4 host a GSR Workshop. He expressed concern that this information should have been sent to the GSRs; that didn't happen as no one seems to know about it. Last he heard, talking to Scotty about coming here & putting on workshop; Gene would like to see this in the Old Business at the next meeting.

Trae informed all that meeting was being recorded to ensure minutes accuracy. Elaine expressed she would like the fact meeting is being recorded to be announced at beginning of meeting, as she has concerns about foul language & emotional outburst being recorded. Donnie informed this was voted on months ago & approved for Jeff to record meeting. Elaine stated she has not been in attendance in that time & didn't know; still concerned over recording device being used. Eric added that although it had been approved, it should be announced as a courtesy .

Donnie moved to close meeting; Eric expressed adding additional item for New Business. He wanted to know when was the last time this District has disbursed money to GSO. Both Poor Bob & Gene informed that that is a group level; the District has never disbursed any money to GSO.

Elaine made a move that the meeting close, Donnie seconded; Vote called for, meeting was adjured with the Lord's Prayer.

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Jeff O

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