

June 1, 2014 District 9 GSR Business Meeting

Attendance: Dave L – DCM Trae B - Alt DCM/AltTreatment
Poor Bob - Treasurer/Alt GSR Waitsburg Jeff O - Secretary
Gene A - Alt Treasurer/GSR Sun Eye Opener/Literature/Answering Service
LaVon L - Archives/Pink Can Jake - GSR Sun Nite Big Book
Mark - GSR Thursday Night Group Ben G - GSR Water Tower
Donnie - GSR Touch on Feelings Elaine - GSR As Bill Sees It
Deb L - District News Letter 1 District member, Deb L.

DCM Dave called meeting to order, asked for attendees to join in Serenity Prayer. Dave then asked Jeff to read 12 Concepts of Service. Next, Dave asked for role call. Dave then called for reading of minutes from May's meeting. Minutes were read by Jeff, District secretary. Poor Bob pointed out a minor grammar error and it was corrected. Elaine asked how the minutes show Pink Can money for June in May's meeting. LaVon explained how monies collected in May are shown on June's books. Donnie moved that the minutes be accepted as corrected, Elaine seconded. Vote was called for; minutes accepted.

GSR Reports

As Bill Sees It: Elaine reports attendance around 18; celebrated birthdays of four 24 hours and one 30 day; turned over funds to Pink Can.

Touch on Feelings: Donnie reports group is moving July 7th from current location to 644 Juniper St; attendance around 4-5, no upcoming events or birthdays.

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

Thursday Night Open: Mark reports attendance around 6; celebrated member birthdays of four 24 hours.

Water Tower: Benjamin reports attendance around 15; celebrated member birthday of 6 months; preparing for the Fourth of July picnic the group is putting on.

Sunday Morning Eye Opener: Gene reports attendance 10; celebrated one member's birthday.

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Waitsburg AA: Poor Bob reports for March - celebrated no member birthdays; attendance 4 -18; events - provided support for Pig Roast at Waitsburg Fair Grounds on Memorial Day weekend. Upcoming events - providing support for the Dr. Bob Birthday celebration hosted by the Dayton group. Focus on being a welcoming place in support of new comers. Business meeting notes - held on May 19th, attendance good, 7th Tradition allows ordering of new books; next business meeting scheduled for June 16th.

Corrections Report: Dave informed in need of chair

Treatment Committee Report: Dave informed in need of chair

Public Information Committee Report: Benjamin reports awaiting on racks to distribute material at cooperating community hospitals and treatment centers.

Dave informed District has one rack donated by the 12 X 12 group; Benjamin asked if GSO could donate racks, Dave informed they would need to be purchased.

Archives: LaVon reports no changes at this time.

Pink Can Report: LaVon informed presented Gene with Pink Can donations. She also informed that she was stepping down as chair for Pink Can. Dave accepted LaVon's resignation and thanked her for her service. Poor Bob asked if the GSRs could collect and give donations directly to Treasurer at District meeting. LaVon expressed concern and explained the need to go through donations one by one to ensure accuracy of amounts. Elaine expressed concern of absence of a group's GSR from meeting and how does Pink Can donations then get to Treasurer. Dave informed the importance of this issue and it could be time consuming; Donnie moved that the issue be tabled until next meeting, Jake seconded. Gene amended the motion that GRSs be allowed to take back to groups the need for a volunteer for the Pink Can chair. Jake seconded this amendment. Vote was taken, motion tabled.

Treasurer's Report

! Poor Bob presented financial report. Dave asked if the totals in the report included literature' Poor Bob acknowledged. Dave expressed concern about the about of money jeopardizing our District's not-for-profit status. Poor Bob suggested that some of the money be moved into the prudent reserve, as our operating cost would clearly justify such an amount. Elaine asked if some of the funds could be earmarked as to events/activities such as Gratitude Banquete. Donnie moved to table this issue until the GSRs had time to take this information back to their groups for their input, as it is ultimately the District members decision. Elaine seconded. Vote was taken; motion tabled.

DCM Report

Dave reports attending the Area 92 voting Assembly on April 11. He reports voting along lines agreed in April meeting, save one in which there was a motion to make GSR

Reports at Area a flexible schedule as to allow rearranging in the agenda for Assembly.
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Dave reports that he and Eric voiced opposition to this, as to many GSRs simply can't afford to overnight where Assembly is being held. Motion was declined.

Spoke with Mat G., District 4 DCM and Scott R, Area Alt Delegate, about hosting a bi-District GSR training in Walla Walla.

Service manual work will now have a study group on Tuesday nights at 7:30pm starting June 10th, with emphasis on discussion on District & Area service manuals; meeting at 205 Larch in College Place.

Elaine moved to accept DCM Report, Donnie seconded. Vote was taken; report accepted.

Dave informs District is looking for an Area Newsletter editor volunteer.

Old Business

Storage of District Assets: Donnie informs he spoke with George and he is waiting on a call from DCM to move assets. Dave informs after speaking with Bill L, after the Fourth of July picnic, the assets will be moved to George's house.

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

Area January 2015 Quarterly: Dave reports that Area will be contributing seed money for the Quarterly. Any money spent on this event will be reimbursed by registration fees. Amounts over what the District spends will go to Area along with the original seed money, therefore very important to carefully consider amount set for registration.

Donnie moved to table this until all GSRs could be present. Mark seconded. Vote was taken, motion tabled.

Fourth of July Chairperson: Dave informed Benjamin that money contributed from district is not seed money; it is sponsorship money, not required to be paid back.

Gratitude Banquette :Dave informed that District is looking for a group to host. Donnie moved to table, Mark seconded. Vote was taken, motion tabled.

Web Master: Dave explained that that a financial decision was made to move web address and enter contract without the approval of the members of home groups. He stressed the importance that no one person take upon themselves making decisions that effect the members of the District, as that is who we work for. He also sighted that in just his term as DCM, we have had three different web addresses and that makes it hard for members to find. Donnie stated that he did not think the pricing for site was bad and supported the decision. Jeff informed that there were additional cost annually to the money already spent to acquire the new site and server service. Poor Bob stated that

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the main point isn't how much money was spent or cost; it is about establishing protocol on how we do business.

New Business

GSR Workshop: Dave reported that Districts 9 & 4 would be coming together to host a GSR Workshop. He explained cost would be shared by both. Elaine asked of the location; Dave replied in the works. There will be forty seats available for each District and GSRs and alternates will have priority.

Dave informed on the meeting on Sundays at the VA theater; it is not a recognized meeting by District or Area, it is request from VA for patients in treatment to have a meeting. He stated should that meeting wish to come into the District fold, they may apply for a number, yet as it is current, it is an independent meeting.

Standard Operating Procedures: Dave presented a draft of District SOPs for the GSRs to take back to their home groups for group conscience. He asked for feed back from members. These SOPs would then go into our District handbook. Poor Bob suggested that all copies of this draft state 'purposed', as to not cause confusion.

Jeff asked that GSRs encourage member attendance at business meetings to discuss these, as it is ultimately their District.

Elaine asked that the sign up sheet for District handbook committee please be passed around; Dave obliged.

Donnie moved to close meeting; Jake seconded. Vote was taken, meeting was adjured with the Responsibility Statement.

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Jeff O