

AA District 9 Minutes

June 9, 2024 Meeting

The meeting was called to order by DCM, Ben with the Serenity Prayer at 6:00 PM

Tradition of the Month: Ben read the 6th Tradition

Roll Call: Ben H- DCM, Rose H- Secretary & GSR, Gene A- Alt Secretary & Technology/Schedules, Barbara H- Literature & GSR, Janet S- CPC Chair & GSR, Shernie- Archives Chair & GSR, Chris- GSR, Rick- Activities Chair, Steve H- Treasurer, Charles- Guidelines Chair, Alt Activities Chair & GSR and Michael- GSR

Officer Reports:

Treasurer- Steve H:

1. \$50.00 7th tradition check from Janet SMEO on 5-19-24
 2. \$25.00 cash 7th tradition from Josh Touch on Feelings Group on 5-19-24
 3. Reimbursed Charles \$57.45 for coffee and printing expenses for the Guidelines Committee on 5-14-24.
 4. I paid \$182.00 to renew our PO Box on 5-21-24 for the year.
- Motioned to approve by Michael, 2nd by Rick, minutes approved.

Alt Secretary- Gene A:

Minutes were corrected to add Rose H. as approved Secretary. Minutes were distributed early, 3 days after the meeting occurred. Motion to approve minutes by Janet, 2nd by Rick, minutes approved.

Committee Chair Reports:

Activities- Rick:

4th of July Freedom Celebration Potluck at Wildwood Park (7 S Division, Walla Walla). Hamburgers & hotdogs with fixings provided along with water, please bring your favorite side dish to share, there will be a meeting, fellowship & yard games. Next event will be Gratitude Banquet.

Answering Service- Josh was absent so Ben DCM reported for him:

Josh met with Dan w/area and from the compiled list of 25 members, the answering system will randomly pick 4 members (same gender as caller) and whoever answers first will get the call. The possibility of getting a call would be approximately 5/year. There have been 3 calls made since the new system and 2 were Ben testing the system, 1 call was an actual call from Bridge the Gap. Gene brought up the two programs- Bridge the Gap & Corrections and how we will approach contact with them. Ben replied that Jen was Bridge the Gap contact, and we typically will receive contact via district email. Corrections follow the same format of contact that Bridge the Gap does.

- Action Item: Ben to reach out to Jen regarding an alternative email contact for Bridge the Gap & Corrections.

Archives- Shernie:

Secure and good.

Corrections- No current chair, Ben DCM reported:

Meetings be & flow from 30-40, sometimes 15, but a strong meeting. Meeting with security is the same 5 members. There is trouble with staffing and getting the word out, but the same guys there sponsoring each other. Gene asked if there was any update on juvenile detention.

- Action Item: Ben to contact Ron to inquire if he is still working with juvenile detention.

Literature- Barbara:

Transferring books to CPC/PI Committee (already approved). Regarding Grapevine, remind your groups that it is a great tool, essentially a meeting in writing. Grapevine can be found online as well as hardcopies.

CPC/Treatment/PI Committee- Janet:

At the June 2nd committee meeting- finalized plans for 4th of July in the Park event-

- 1) Equipment for booth: Barbara will have a tent, Rose agreed to provide table, chairs, and coolers. Janet bought water. All items will be packed onto a trailer at Barbara's evening before.
- 2) Literature for event: leaflet, "AA at a Glance" is a free leaflet. 150 ordered. Other pamphlets at booth "Is AA for you" and "Is there an alcoholic in your life?"
- 3) QR code was created by Kris, and this is linked to WW schedule. Janet has sourced a company that prints codes onto stickers and ordered the minimum order amount of 1,000. Codes will be put onto pamphlets and water bottles.

- 4) Schedules will be supplied for the event.
- 5) Signup sheet handed out, need to make sure a phone number is included as there will be a briefing on what volunteers are doing at booth.

Last Thursday there was an Area CPC meeting online, all participants are fairly new to CPC/PI and discussed being overwhelmed as the committee encompasses a lot. They decided to just pick one or two events for the first year and that learning CPC is an accomplishment.

Technology & Schedules- Gene:

Gene met via web conference with Tech Committee on Thursday evening hosted by Lisa. Dan, the current alt delegate and Area Web Page Chair was present along with five other tech reps. Most web pages are created by database driven tools such as Word Press or Good workspace. They were interested to note that ours is simply coded; but one concern was noted that our site is insecure. Gene explained that our site is basically a blog; it is information only and not interactive, i.e. we do not exchange currency or credit card info. The overall experience was very good with a lot of info shared and the committee will continue to meet every couple of months. Dan sent them a link for "Find a Meeting" and it has been added to the website. However, it needs to be updated as there are repeat bookings and two meetings left out. This is the DCM's job to make corrections as he has the clearance for the Area's Google Workspace, or he can delegate such to the Tech Committee.

Schedules are down to 75. We need to order another batch, but there is not enough in the general fund to pay for them as a batch of 500 is \$186.13. Gene suggests that GSRs talk to their group about wanting schedules, will need to run in July if needed.

Ad Hoc Guideline Review- Charles:

Voted in Colton as secretary. Their last meeting had 4 in attendance, Charles will attempt to email reminder of meeting prior to. The meeting format is 90 mins max. Changed guidelines to district meetings at 6pm rather than 6:30pm. Ben will be drafting a district preamble/district map. The committee is establishing roles and responsibilities.

GSR Reports:

Early Birds- Michael D.

Meet at 6:30 AM at Son Bridge seven days/week. Average Attendance 4 to 8 (4 homegroup members with consistent service positions within group). Discussion topic/members choice.

Thurs Night Open- Charles W.

Meet at FCC at 7:00 PM. Average Attendance 25+. 6 birthdays in May. Birthday night held on 3rd Thursday. \$50.00 contribution.

Night Owls- Chris R.

Business mtg last Saturday of every month at 8pm, 30 mins before mtg. 1 birthday (4 or 5 month coin), 3-4 average attendance. Activities- Memorial Day Function.

Sunday Morning Eye Opener- Janet S.

Meets Sundays at 10:30 AM, business mtg is last Sunday of the month as needed at 9:30AM. Average attendance 15. 2 X 12 discussions.

Wednesday 1st Step- Shernie

7-8PM at Sonbridge. Made both general & pink can contributions. Steady 6 attendance, One 24hr coin given for 22days.

Women's Monday Night- Barbara-

Monday from 6-7:30PM, coins given- 9mo, 6mo, 30 & 37 years. Average attendance- 15-20-25. Completing their service positions descriptions for all positions with term lengths & sobriety requirements/expectations/duties- will email to GSRs.

Touch On Feelings- Josh H./Gene A. Chair

Meets Monday and Fridays at 7:00 PM. Business mtgs as needed. 1 year birthday coin given. Average attendance from 9-12 Mondays and 15-20 Fridays. Discussion on feelings/emotions.

Friends/BW: Rose H.

Meet at Saturday at FCC at 9:00 AM. Average attend 10ish. Bus Meeting last Sat/mo.

Tues Proms: reported by Ben

Meet at FCC at 7:30PM Tuesdays. Ave Attend 5-7, 1-2 birthdays.

Old Business:

GSR School-

If anyone has any interest, Ben has been reaching out to TC & Lewis/Clark area.

New Business:

Guidelines Committee- Committee is trusted to review and edit, then bring back to the fellowship for consideration. Moved by Shernie, 2nd by Rick, all approved.

Janet- Motion for a reimbursement of \$149.45 for 4th of July in the Park by CPC/PI. Moved by Gene, 2nd by Rick, all in favor.

The QR code to our schedule is located on our website under CPC, for anyone who would like to use it.

Thank you all for your support and efforts to carry the message.

Meeting closed with the responsibility statement.

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Rose H