

AA District 9 Minutes

September 8, 2024 Meeting

The meeting was called to order by DCM, Ben with the Serenity Prayer

Tradition of the Month: Michael read the 9th tradition.

Roll Call: Ben-DCM, Rose-Secretary & GSR, Steve-Treasurer, Shernie- Archives & GSR, Gene- Tech & GSR, Janet-CPC & GSR, Barbara-Literature & GSR, Chris-GSR, Michael-GSR, Cory & Sherry

Officer Reports:

DCM- Ben: Spoke with Dan (alt delegate) about GSR school, thinking April or May will be a good time. There will be workshops in the Lewis-Clark area, when Ben receives information on these, he will send out an email.

Treasurer- Steve H:

We had a total of 4 transactions:

1. Received \$28.00 check from Michael for 7th Tradition for the Early Birds Group.
2. Received \$10.00 cash from Janet for random book sale, deposited into the General Fund.
Janet says this money came from the literature given from the Literature committee to CPC.
3. Received \$82.00 cash from Rick for donations received on the July 4th BBQ. (Activities)
4. Reimbursed \$305.32 check to Rick for food and supplies for the 4th of July BBQ. (Activities).

Motion to approve by Barbara, 2nd by Janet, all approved.

Secretary- Rose:

Motion to approve August minutes by Charles, 2nd by Barbara, minutes approved.

GSR Reports:

Early Birds- Michael D.

Meet at 6:30 AM at Son Bridge seven days/week. The business meeting is Wednesday after District 9 meeting at 6:30am. Attendance- 5-10, newcomers- 1, birthdays- 2 (1 year) coins. Open meeting using Big Book, 12x12, Daily Reflections, As Bill Sees It and topic of choice. Members perform service work- setting up and chairing meetings.

Monday Women's Meeting-Barbara-

6pm on Monday. Attendance- 18+/-, birthdays-12 total- 3 (24hr), 3 (7mo), 1 (19yr), 2 (1yr), 1 (6mo), 1 (4mo), 1 (20yr). Contributions to be made soon, training a treasurer. Upcoming events- 3rd Monday dinner and last Monday birthday.

Touch On Feelings- Gene (alt GSR):

Meets Monday and Fridays at 7:00 PM. Business mtgs as needed. Attendance- Monday-10, Friday- 12-15, Pink can contribution- \$5.36. Monday's meeting is at Son Bridge, Friday's is at a private address which is subject to change in November and will be reflected in the schedule.

Wednesday 1st Step- Shernie

7-8:30PM at Sonbridge. Attendance- 5, District contribution- \$30 and pink can \$15. General discussion.

Thursday Night Open- Charles

Meetings Thursday at 7pm, business meeting is 3rd Thursday of the month after the mtg, Attendance- 25, newcomers-5, birthdays-5. Format is open, in-person, chair topic of choice. Events- the last Thursday of the month is birthday night. Note- there is room available for October Area Meeting in Cour d'Alene, contact Charles if interested.

Night Owls- Chris R.

Business mtg last Saturday of every month just before the meeting. Attendance- 5-8ish, birthday- 1 (11mo), general contribution- \$50. Format- Daily Reflections, Big Book, As Bill Sees It* other topics relating to recovery.

Sunday Morning Eye Opener- Janet S.

Meet on Sunday at Sonbridge at 10AM, business mtg is the last Sunday of the month at 9:30AM. Attendance-12, newcomers-1, coins given-1 (1mo). 12 X 12 discussions, step corresponding to the month.

Friends of Bill W: Rose H.

Meet on Saturday at FCC at 9:00 AM. Attendance- 6-8, newcomers- 2-3, birthdays- 1.

Tues Promises: reported by Ben

Meet at FCC at 7:30PM Tuesdays. Attendance-7, newcomers- 1-2, birthdays- 2. Daily reflection or group discussion.

Committee Chair Reports:

Activities- Rick: not present, no report.

Answering Service- Josh: not present, no report.

Archives- Shernie: Archives are good. Let anyone know that if they have something they think belongs in archives, let Shernie know.

Corrections- No current chair, Ben DCM reported: Teresa will get an inventory on literature. We can see if we have the funds in Pink Can contributions to send a case of Big Books.

CPC/Treatment/PI Committee- Janet:

- The Committee met on August 22nd to share information and come to agreement on our next outreach project. The meeting was hosted by Barbara, and we enjoyed fellowship and pizza! We agreed that our next venture will be concentrated in the Colleges and High schools. We have contacted Whitman College and The Community College, both were open to meeting with us, but requested we contact them after September 9th. With these locations we see we can offer Public Information to students and CPC support with the Professionals working in the counselling departments. We plan to contact "The Health Hub", at Lincoln High School to offer the same support.
- University of Walla Walla we felt may not be as receptive, but they do offer Degree courses in social work, and so we may be able to meet with them to share AA information. A question we need to ask the District and the Group GSR's is how do groups feel if students wish to attend an open AA meeting?
 - Members of open meetings have welcomed this in the past, just need to stress the anonymity statement. If group members have suggestions, let the CPC committee know. It would be helpful to share information with groups who don't understand what "Open Meetings" are. Shernie shared that one student who joined a meeting became a member after attending.
- Richard was invited to speak at a VAAA meeting on Sept 28th. This will be the first time in a while that an AA member has been allowed into their meeting. CPC provided literature for that meeting.

Technology & Schedules- Gene: If Gene receives minutes from standing committees, he will keep them current on our webpage. The flyers he receives are at the center of the webpage in blue. Schedules need to be printed ASAP. After discussing the preamble in "Old Business," Gene motioned for a check to purchase schedules, Shernie 2nd and all approved.

Old Business:

- Vote for changing the preamble on the schedule to read "people" (rather than men & women)– 4 in favor, 3 opposed. Will change the schedule's preamble to read "people."
- Updating the groups about inventory progress- Ben emailed out the "District 9 inventory into action" document, please talk to groups and let him know of feedback.
- Workshop- GSR school in April or May.

New Business:

- Sherry to be involved in activities. Would like to contribute and donate decorations.
- 7th Tradition Flyer- Barbara shared two drafts (refer to your email for the drafts), please share with your meetings asking for feedback.
 - It is important for GSRs and treasurers of groups to share the 7th Tradition message.
- Shernie would like to get meetings going again at the VA. She will get together with Richard to see about making that happen.
- Janet would like to purchase \$25 for Spanish pamphlets for CPC committee. Barbara motioned to approve, 2nd by Gene, motion approved. It was suggested that CPC meets with District 24 regarding Spanish material.

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

Meeting closed with the responsibility statement.

Minutes by Rose H, Secretary