DCM Margie opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer

District Officers present: Margie B, DCM; Steve H, Treasurer; Gene A, Alt Secretary

Tradition Twelve was read and discussed.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as published.

Treas. Steve H gave a partial Treasurer's report on the receipts of the Gratitude Banquet:

7th Tradition \$151.00 50/50 Rafael \$240.00 Silent Auction \$920.00

Activities Income \$1160.00 Expenses -\$500.00 Total net gain \$ 660.00

GSR Reports:

Corey S; Night Owls: Meets at FCC Basement Sat 8:30 PM, Attendance 8, one coin given;

Format: open discussion

Ken N; Lang of the Heart: St. Pauls's Tues and Thus at 12:00 Noon; Attendance average 15; Format Discussion of selected portion of the BB.

Loren V; TOF: mees at Son Bridge M & F at 7:00 PM; Attend: M-8, Fri -6; Format is discussion/ Touch on Feelings, Contributed District \$100.00

Margie B, ABSI: Moved to St Pauls, Meets Sat 12:00 Noon, Attendance average 5 with new people showing. Brian H, EB; meets at Son Bridge at 6:00 to 8:00 AM. Attendance average 7, 6 new comers, 3 coins given. Contribution \$220.00 Format Discussion, How o live w/o alcohol.

Janet S, SMEO Meets at Son Bridge 10:00 AM on Sundays, average attend 14; Discussion of the 12X12. District contrib, \$100.00

Shernie; Wed Night 1st Step. Meets at VA Community Bldg. 1320 Coast Guard Gr. At 7 to 8:30.PM, Average Attend 5 with some RRU Patients attending off and on. Format, general recovery discussion and 1st Step. Barbara H; Women's, meets at St. Paul's at 7 to 8:30 PM Mondays, some new comers, a 24 Hr, and a 4 mo coin given. Format is books study. Dinner before meeting on 3rd Mondays.

Committee Reports:

Corey S; Answering Service. Seem to function OK, had a question on billing or if we are even charged.

Alternate Activities Corey is trying to get something together for New Years at First Pres.

Shernie, Archives: archives are looking for a new home for the next rotation.

Jane t; CPC: turned in the CPC workbook and a copy of her reports that will be transferred to a CD and placed in Archives. CPC data will be available fo pass on to new CPC chair.

Gene A Technology_Web page up to date, Schedules are correct, but find a meeting schedule doesn't reflect the changes as we do not control that portion of the Area's web page. We can only request. Some printed schedules are available; please ask.

Old Business:

Steve H brought forward 3 proposal to be discussed with the home groups.

Shernie mentioned that the District used to collect a 7th Tradition at each meeting and wondered why or when that tradition stopped. She also questioned that if receiving money from non-members at banquets or other functions was a violation of the 7th Tradition standards.

New Business: NA

Meeting was closed with the Responsibility statement.

YIS, Gene A

Proposals for District Meeting Regarding the Activities Fund, 7th Tradition, and Budget for 2026. Line 1-Activities as a separate entity

Proposal:

The Activities Committee fund currently is a separate entity from the General Fund account.

The money raised from Activity events and donations never touches the General Fund account. As I understand the history of this, the Activities account was created so that members' concerns of mixing 7th Tradition money with Activities money would be addressed. Changing this will impact the way that the Treasurer creates monthly budget reports. Keeping the Activities account separate, like we do with the Pink Can, keeps money separate from the 7th Tradition funds.

Line 2-Create an annual spending budget for Activities

Proposal:

There is not an annual spending budget currently in place for the Activities Committee. Creating an annual spending cap for the Committee is needed to control spending and to ensure transparency (i.e., all GSRs vote on this and know exactly how much we can spend over a year). Given rising costs and increasing inflation, I propose that the yearly budget for Activities be \$1,400.00.

We currently have three large events that the Activities committee oversees:

- a. 4th of July party
- b. Gratitude Banquet
- c. New Year's Eve Party
- d. Workshop(s) at some point throughout the course of the year.

I propose a cap of \$450.00 for each event. This cap would also include hall rental fees for the Presbyterian church (\$150.00 per Gratitude Banquet and \$150.00 for the New Year's Eve party, each for their respective event).

Line 3-General Fund quarterly donations

Proposal: Current budgets are as follows for the upcoming year. This may or may not be a complete list, but here is what the I have thus far for 2026:

Gene: \$ 450.00 for schedules Janet: \$250.00 for CPC Margue: \$370.00 for DCM

SonBridge end of year donation: \$120.00 donated in December 2024

Other budgetary items: \$130.00 annual P.O.Box fee

Total estimated amount: \$1,190.00

Current balance in General Fund as of October 31st: \$1,770.96

I am proposing that a general spending budget for 2026 be capped at \$1,500.00. This would leave enough room for the proposed chair budgets plus some room to incur for additional spending that may arise throughout the course of the year.

I am also proposing that we begin donating to Area or GSO on a quarterly basis. My suggestion is to make these donations on a quarterly basis, so if funds exceed \$1,500.00 in the General Fund, we can donate. If there is not an excess amount of money in that current quarter, then we donate in the next quarter those funds are available.

Potential Quarterly Donation Schedule for 2026

Business Meeting Date 2026	Calendar Fiscal Year (Donate by, if possible)
March 8, 2026	March 31, 2026
June 14, 2026	June 31, 2026
September 13, 2026	September 31, 2026
December 13, 2026	December 31, 2026