Minutes Utah Area 69 Pre-Assembly Workshop August 17, 2013 Hosted by District 2 Tooele, Utah

Welcome Wade J., Chair– Meeting opened with a moment of silence, followed by the Serenity Prayer, Introduction of Area Officers, Preamble and Anonymity Statement. Welcomed newcomers to their first General Service meeting. Sean, District ?, read the 12 Concepts, short form, introduction of Past Delegates.

Secretary's Report – Rachael F. standing in for Wendy W., Area Secretary –Greetings Area 69! Sorry I can't be there with you this weekend, I'm off in the Northwest watching my niece get married. And riding my motorcycle. It's tough living a sober life, but I'll suffer through it. I want to thank Rachael for standing in for me, I appreciate her willingness to serve. She has report forms and motion forms here at the table. Kindly leave your reports with her and I'll compile the minutes on my return. Email is still the preferred vehicle, please send to area69secretary@utahaa.org when you can. Be well until September, I'm looking forward to seeing you in Moab! In loving service, Wendy

Minutes of the November 3, 2012 Pre-Assembly Workshop – Rachael F. standing in for Wendy W., Area Secretary – Approved as read.

Treasurer's Report –Renae H., Area Treasurer–Greetings Fellow Trudgers, Once again, it is a pleasure to be together today in fellowship and service to this wonderful life saving program of Alcoholics Anonymous! I am pleased to report that the Area's operational balance is currently \$6128.03 and our current prudent reserve is \$4500.00 plus \$1.96 interest, bringing our total available cash and bank accounts to \$10,629.99. Total year to date (YTD) contributions are \$18,427.03, which is approximately \$2100.00 more than reported in 2012 at this time. This is largely attributed to the increase of individual contributions---currently \$1310.00 compared to \$182.00 in 2012. Actual group contributions so far this year are at \$14,305.38 vs. \$14,057.83 in August 2012. So, in other words, group contributions are strong and consistent with last year's figures. I want to take this opportunity to personally thank all the groups and individuals for their participation of the 7th Tradition contributions to Area 69 service. It is through this principle that each of us demonstrates personal responsibility thus ensuring that the best possible services are available through out the Utah Area 69 service structure in order to continue to reach the still suffering alcoholic. The efforts of the panel 63 Area 69 Finance Committee---- through the giving of their time and commitment and through thoughtful discussion and deliberation--- have resulted in the creation of the 2014 Proposed Budget. We will be presenting and distributing the proposal today for review and to answer any questions from the body. I want to invite GSR groups that are not represented here today. It is important that the individual groups have the opportunity to discuss the proposal and have a group conscience and vote heard at the Fall Assembly. I am so grateful for the opportunity to serve Area 69 and Alcoholics Anonymous...thank you for my sobriety. In Love and Service, Renae H. Area 69 Treasurer Panel 63

Financial Report – Renae H., Area Treasurer – Amendment: seed money for Fall Assembly District 9 was \$600, approved as amended.

Review Proposed 2014 Budget - Renae H., Area Treasurer

Delegate's Report - Walter C., Area Delegate -I would like to thank District 2 for hosting this Workshop. Also, I would like to welcome everyone to Tooele, which has been my home base since 1985. I visited several districts since we last met to give a conference report and answer any questions that they may have. If I have not visited your district please get with me to arrange a visit or give you the information that you desire. I am looking forward to the workshop topics this weekend. Now, news from GSO. News from GSO (AAWS Highlights) Most of the GSO staff rotated into their new assignments on July 15, 2013. Publishing. Total gross sales for the first six months, through June 2013 are \$6,484,189 which is \$45,331 over estimate for the period and behind last year's gross sales for this same period by \$9,300. The Board priced the 75th Anniversary Commemorative Edition of the first edition, first printing of Alcoholics Anonymous (to be published April 2014) at \$12.00. As a result of continual and increasing requests from inmates for a large print format of the abridged Big Book, the Board approved developing the concept of a large print version of the existing soft cover abridged edition Alcoholics Anonymous. Finance. For the first six months of 2013, contributions from AA groups and members of \$3,200,000 were \$28,579 over budget. Gross profit on literature sales of \$4,023,055 was \$165,501 over budget. Total expenses of \$7,636,433 were \$35,078 over budget. Net loss totaled \$412,817 compared with a six month budgeted loss of \$571,718. Other. An overview of a report on the 2020 International Convention from Gregg Talley, International Conventions consultant, was shared at the AAWS Board meeting. In this report from the April, 2013, joint meeting of the trustees' and Conference Committees on International Conventions/Regional Forums, Gregg assured the committees - base on an earlier site visit to Detroit - that a vital re-growth is taking place within the inner city, and that financial and safety concerns were not a factor in the areas the International Convention will be using. More recent information confirmed the findings of this report. Several outside organizations have proposed to the US Post Office that a commemorative stamp featuring a full face photo of Bill W. be issued. It was also suggested that this stamp would be introduced at the 2015 International Convention of which there is no truth. Letters have been written and sent to the US Post Office and all Conference members that this proposal does not come from or have the support of Alcoholics Anonymous World Services. Inc.

Registrar's Report - Sheryl T., Area Registrar - Verbal report given

Roll Call– Sheryl T., Area Registrar – In attendance were 5 Area Officers – Area Standing Chairs 10 – Past Delegates 3 – District 1: 1 DCM, 4 GSRs, 1 altGSR – District 2:1 DCMC, 5 GSRs, 1 altGSR, 1Standing Chair – District 3: 1 DCMC, 1 DCM, 1 altDCM, 1 Standing Chair – District 4: None in attendance – District 5: None in attendance – District 6: None in attendance – District 7:1 DCM – District 8: 1 DCM, 2 GSRs, 1 Standing Chair – District 9: None in attendance – District 10: 3 DCMs, 5 GSRs, 1 Standing Chair, 1 District Officer – District 11: 1 DCMC – District 12: None in attendance – CO Reps: 1 – Interested AAs:5 – Total = 58

Remaining Area Officers Reports

Doug R., Alternate Delegate – Verbal report given

Wade J., Area Chair – Verbal report given

Area Standing Chairperson Reports

Archives –**Athlene M.** – Janet Hafen and I have had an acceptable exchange of information concerning Archives. I love my service position. We (Janet and I) successfully downloaded and acquired the "Markings" which is the Archives Newsletter from GSO. We also downloaded the registration for the "17th Annual AA Archives Workshop" which will be held September 12-15, 2013, in Springfield, IL. I will be going to that, and will be registered before September 1st. Registration is \$35.00 and the defrayment to the workshop is \$300.00 from Area 69. I will be using that for gasoline as I will be driving since sky rate is very high this late! Thank you so very much for the very most happy place to be in the world right now, I love my AA family! The most exciting part of the Standing Chair Archives position is meeting and recording the stories of the old-timers and getting the stories stored in the Repository Archives. Our love and gratitude for those who have passed this year. In love and service, Athlene.

Assembly/Agenda – Matt D. – Hello service friends. Since we last met, I have travelled over 500 miles to meet with host committees. Oh what a wonderful journey it has been. I have sat in on the wrap up meeting with District 3. I have met with Linda R. and her committee from District 2 one time. We had the meeting just inside the front door of where they hold their District meeting. I have also been meeting with Jolene from District 10. They are in the beginning stages of planning their event. I also have reservations in Moab for next weekend to meet with Joe and his committee and finalize an last minute details. I look forward to meeting with other host committees in the future. What a fun ride this has been. Yours in service, Matt D.

Bid for 2014 June BTG Workshop – Matt D. – District 8 won the bid.

Bid for 2014 August Pre-Assembly Workshop – Matt D. – District 1 won the bid.

Communications –Charlie G. –Thanks for attending today. My name is Charlie and I am an alcoholic. Have been working on the Area website. We are seeing about 130-400 hits per day and just made 307,024 hits total. We have asked two fluent Spanish speaking members to help with translation but so far have not received any documents back yet. But we are hopeful. I owe 626 amends on the last eblast as gmail updated in the middle of my eblast and I accidentally sent to everyone without BCC. So it showed all addresses. Please accept my amends. We will now have two people edit the eblasts before they go out. And my Linkedin sent out to everyone also. Hopefully by the end of this year we will have a test landing page and app for initial review and committee feedback. Have visited Districts 8, 11, 2, 10 and 1. Currently posting District 1, 10 and 11 minutes on the Area website. Hope you are using the utahaa.org website. If you are a new GSR, see Sheryl for your email so I can send you links to help you with your new position. Yours in fellowship, love and service, always, Charlie G.

Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) –**Rachael F.** – Hi my name is Rachael and I have the pleasure of serving as the Area 69 CPC chair. Thank you District 2 for hosting this event. Since we last met CPC and PI were busy with the University of Utah School on Alcoholism, which I will report on later. The Salt Lake Central Office has created positions for standing chairs to work with the district and area standing chair people. Jeff M. who took the position for CPC Standing chair at the Salt Lake Central Office. Through the central office we received a request for a meeting at the University Hospital 5 West. It has been said that in Alcoholics Anonymous nothing happens quickly. This was not the case with this request. Jeff took the reigns and pushed forward with meeting with the staff at 5 West. He was able to secure a room, day and time for this weekly AA meeting. It is listed in the August schedule, The Road West, Tuesday at 7pm. We are still in the process of working out some bugs but we are definitely moving in the right direction. If you have a chance please support this meeting by attending or passing the word on. I was able to provide him with a rack and some start up literature. In past reports and at the committee round tables I have mentioned the idea of creating packets to professional, clergy and educators. This is still something I want to work on when the committee gets together in Moab. Yours in Service Rachael F.

Corrections-Pete G. - Verbal report given

Grapevine –Mark B. – Verbal report given

Literature –Kurt J. – Hi, my name is Kurt and I'm an alcoholic. My sobriety date is April 21, 1994. My home group is the Monday Night Men's group in Logan, Utah. I have the privilege of serving as your Area 69 Literature Standing Chair. Since my last report, at the Post-Conference Assembly, I have attended the District 1 GSR meeting in June and July, and attended the Area 69 Bridge the Gap Workshop in June. The Bridge the Gap Workshop is always informative and very inspiring. This year's workshop was another fantastic experience. A couple of orders were placed for individuals and standing chairs in May and June. I will be placing another order before the Fall Assembly. Please contact me if you would like to be on an email list announcing literature orders. Please let me know if you need any literature for the Fall Assembly. The big news for the Literature Committee this summer was the hosting of a Literature Workshop on Saturday, July 20. The workshop began with sharing from our Pacific Regional Trustee about his experience on the Conference and Trustees Literature Committees. Next we listened to panelists sharing about the 12 Steps & 12 Traditions, Emotional Sobriety, 12 Traditions Illustrated, and Q&A on Sponsorship. After a break we had two roundtables each discussing one or two pamphlets followed by report backs from each of the roundtables. The afternoon was concluded with some open discussion about AA literature and some feedback about the workshop. After the workshop, those that could stay attended the Salt Lake Central Office All Groups potluck and meeting. What a wonderfully full day. I love Alcoholics Anonymous. I love general service. Thank you for my sobriety. Thank you for allowing me to serve. Kurt J.

Public Information (PI) - Treesa J. - Good morning everyone. The last couple of months haven't felt too busy but typing my report made me

aware things have been moving right along. It was my pleasure to attend and participate in the Corrections Forum hosted in Kanab on June8. Excellent information was shared by a panel and I think it was well received. Also, I attended the School on Alcoholism June19, 20 & 21. The booth was well manned and I felt the event was well attended. However, the nightly AA meetings were my favorite part. I especially enjoyed the cooperation between AA and Alanon at the Wednesday night speaker meeting. BYU contacted me (or rather Bruce) regarding a Mental Health Service Awareness Night to be held October17. Eric and Rachel have generously agreed to man the booth for the 3 hour event. The participants are requested to arrive by 4:30 and the booths will be available from 6-9pm. They expect around 600 attendees. There are two additional requests for booths. First is the Utah Fall Substance Abuse Conference held in St. George September 25, 26 & 27. Allen B. & John W. from District 7 have offered to assist with the booth. Second is the 6th Annual Community Anti-Drug & Alcohol Community Event September 21st from 3-7pm at the Ed Kenly Centennial amphitheater in Layton. I still need to contact them for additional information. Additionally, District 7 has been supportive in providing Meeting lists to Hotel/ Motels. Members volunteered to assist with distributing in Kanab and St. George. I still need assistance with the rest of District 7. It has been a pleasure learning PI. So, I want to say "Thank you" for letting me share this journey with you all. Yours in service, Treesa J. **PURPOSE:** Like all of A.A., the primary purpose of members involved with public information service is to carry the A.A. message to the alcoholic who still suffers. Working together, members of local Public Information committees convey A.A. information to the general public, including the media.

Treatment – **Andy B.** – Hello fellow servants, thank you for allowing me to serve as the Area 69 Treatment Chair. Things have been somewhat quiet since May. We did have the Area 69 Bridge the Gap Workshop held at the Salt Lake Central Office in June, hosted by District 11, what a GREAT turnout. I really want to thank Susan at CO for helping us make this event a success, we had some good participation from just about everyone there. The national BTG Workshop weekend is coming up in September in the Chicago area, Pete G will be attending this event. If anyone wants to go, please get with Pete G or myself and we'll give all the info. I look forward to seeing you all in Moab next month. Thanks again for the opportunity to serve. Love and service, Andy B.

District Reports

District 1 – Chris H., DCM – Things are comfortable and somewhat quiet. Of the 7 DCM slots, only 3 are filled. All alternate DCM positions, as well as the DCMC position are vacant. Regardless, with the support of our Cache Valley "Supercrew", District 1 is doing just fine. Two of our DCM's are Ogden residents and are making purposeful visits to dark meetings in Ogden. Over the past eight months, we are observing an increase in new GSRs and 7th tradition donations in the District from Weber County. District 1 is looking forward to hosting the 2014 Pre-Conference Assembly and the 2013 Fall Workshop.

District 2 – Patrick R., DCMC– Greetings fellow friends and servants, I would first like to thank everyone on the host committee who stepped up and helped prepare for this event. Your service and dedication is invaluable to me and AA, District 2 has been preparing for another workshop, to which you are all invited and encouraged to attend. On Saturday, September 7, District 2 will be hosting the Three Legacies Workshop and BBQ. This is an all day event at Fairmont park, designed to create awareness of the importance of preserving our legacies of unity, service, and recovery, and also to serve as an excuse to get together for food, fun and fellowship. We will have speakers, live music, activities and booths set up for educating alcoholics on the joys and duties of general service. We are also forming a host committee for Pre-Conference as I speak, and look forward to hosting you all next year. Our Standing Chairs continue to stay involved and help others wherever they're able. We recently had Anthony V. join us in service as a DCM again, for which we and our other DCMs are very grateful. All of them admirably go to their meetings and spread the message of recovery as best they can. District 2 thanks you all for attending and contributing to our recovery. Patrick R.

District 3 –**Mike L., alt DCM** – Greetings trusted servants, my name is Mike and I am an alcoholic. I am grateful to serve District 3 as an alternate DCM. DCMC California Dave asked me to give the report for District 3 today. Recovery is happening in Utah County and Heber! Many of you attended the Post Conference Assembly in May at the Elks Lodge in Provo, it was a great experience to see the planning committee and many volunteers work together to make it a great event. Our District service structure and groups are doing well. The majority of our groups are sending GSRs or their alternates to District meetings. However, we are experiencing a drought when it comes to filling some of our District service positions. WE simply need more members to show up and stand for these positions. Several groups in the north part of the District 3 standing chairs have been busy in fulfilling their duties, we are grateful for all they do to carry the message to the still suffering alcoholic. Much service is being done at our Central Office in Provo. Over the last several months they have experienced change and recovered from financial hardship. We have witnessed a wonderful transformation. I was able to attend the literature workshop at Salt Lake Central Office on July 20th. Thank you Kurt for helping me become more familiar with our literature, it was a wonderful experience. Being involved in general service has enhanced my sobriety. I have experienced growth and a happiness I have previously not known, and for that, I am grateful. Thank you. Mike L.

District 4 – No report given.

District 5 –No report given.

District 6– No report given.

District 7– Deanna, DCM –Verbal report given.

District 8– Teri, DCM –Hi, my name is Teri and I'm an alcoholic serving as the DCM for District 8. We recently held our annual District BBQ. Walter attended and gave the report from the General Conference. Wade and Matt accompanied him. BBQ was a good turn out. All donations will be donated to GSO. We had a sudden downpour of rain with loud thunder so the meeting had to be paused momentarily. Corrections – We have only one female taking meetings into the women. Still looking for men to take meetings in to the men. We have a small group still going in to the Youth Detention Center. They all report how rewarding it is. We have subscriptions of Grapevine going in to jail and the Detention Center. In June we

conducted a District inventory. We had a good turn out. It was nice to see that in most areas we are doing well to carry the message and also to have the opportunity to see where we need work on.

District 9 –No report given.

District 10 -Skyler F. for Rick V., DCMC -Greetings to you all, Area 69, from all of us trusted servants and Standing chairs here in District 10. I would also like to thank Skyler for being so kind as to read to all of you my report from District 10. Well, as you are all aware, it has been another very hot summer and I hope you have all been staying hydrated, especially those of you who work construction or outdoors all day long. It can be especially brutal to those that do. At our August GSR meeting we formed a budget committee to go over the coming years budget for the standing chairs. We need to have that figured out by Octobers GSR meeting to get a vote from the body. A lot of us here in District 10 have been growing more concerned as to the lack of DCM/GSR and Alt DCM/GSR positions not being filled. I don't know if it's a combination of summertime activities with family and friends or just lack of interest because of other reasons such as maybe not knowing the duties of these two so very important positions of AA general service. Whatever the reasons might be, a few of us thought it might be a great idea to have a DCM/GSR workshop for a Saturday in October, mainly to help get input from ours and other Districts as to just how important these two positions are to the whole of AA. I kinda railroaded a couple of guys to help me get this workshop going, and we will keep y'all in the loop as to when and where it'll be. We're thinking either the Murray Elks Lodge or our very own Central Office location again. I'm so extremely grateful that Deb H. took over the treasurer's position and all of us from District 10 thank Kelly S. for the wonderful job she has done for the District the past two years. Oh, by the way, I apologize for not being able to be with all of you this weekend, but work calls for me to be there today. Everything else seems to be going very smoothly here in the District. Everyone, well almost everyone, has a report ready to give every month at the meeting. I can't tell you all how grateful I am to feel a part of something that keeps me learning and growing by giving back what has so freely been given to me. All of my life I tried so desperately to feel not so bodily and mentally different from my fellows and loved ones, but instead I learned through my alcoholism how to master many character defects, therefore leading me ultimately to these rooms. And then my life began anew. In loving service to each and every one of you, and right now especially Skyler cuz he's reading my report for me, Sincerely, Rick V. See you all in Moab. Peace.

District 11 – Kristen D., DCMC – Hello my name is Kristen and I am an alcoholic. District 11 is doing well. We are excited to announce that our meetings are starting to grow home group members. These meetings were taking a look and possible not making it. With God and lots of prayers these meetings are becoming stronger and have GSRs that can carry their voice. We need to fill CPC and PI. We sat down as a finance committee and took a look at our budget and we are doing well. In September we will be setting our budget for the next year. We had Rod B. come to our GSR meting and share about his board weekend. Wow what a treat. He told a story about these Hispanic people that drank together at work. They ended up getting sober through the 12 steps. However, they had one co-worker who was Chinese and he only read in his native language. The Hispanic members contact GSO and they received a translated Big Bok in Chinese next day air. There are no words to explain the gifts this program gives to hopeless drunks like us. In service, Kristen D.

District 12 – No report given.

Past Events

Post-Conference May 2013 Assembly – Cory S., DCM – The 2013 Post-Conference was held at the Elks Lodge in Provo, UT. We received over 90 registrations at the event. The planning committee received \$600.00seed money from Area 69. We were able to return the seed money plus \$804.40 back to Area 69. Due to an oversight on our committees part, we failed to include the rent for the facility where we held our planning meetings. Our committee discussed this and decided to go ahead and write a \$50.0 check out of our District funds. We made a follow up visit to the Elks Lodge and they told me and California Dave (DCMC) that they were very happy with the way that our organization conducted ourselves. They said we were welcome to come back any time. District 3 would like to thank everyone who worked so hard to make it a success. We would also like o thank everyone who showed up and took part to make it a great event. Thank you, Cory S.

Area Bridge the Gap Workshop– Kristen D., DCMC District 11 – Hello family I am Kristen DCMC from District 11. My home group is Not a Glum Lot. We meet Tuesday and Thursday @7:00 in Bountiful. District 11 hosted BTG this year. As many of you know we were asked to host this workshop because of a District that had gone dark. District 11hosted this workshop the year before and it was not the best experience. We were asked if District 11 would host it again, I had words with my Higher Power. It was at that moment I realized there was something more I needed to learn. The host committee started meeting with the Area Standing Chairs and we got to work on building this workshop. There were lots of ideas on how this workshop would go. After setting the place which was at Salt Lake City Central Office, we started putting together the panels and how we can make the BTG program be more effective. When it came to settling the money, I had a huge learning experience. Originally we were going to pass the hat to be used to pay for the building. Somewhere between the last committee meeting and the event it was decided to give them what was in the can for the donations. When it came time to settle all the bills I called our Area Treasurer and ran the idea by her. Needless to say with a lot of digging and past experience, I learned that there should always be a set amount for building rental. That there are guidelines, that will help with all of the questions and when you cannot find it there, there are people that can help you with their experiences. We did serve lunch and we had approximately 57 in attendance. There was a total of \$212.90 that had come from donations. With the Area's seed money we had a total of \$471.00. After paying all the bills District 11 has a check for the Area for \$137.37. We split the donations so we paid Salt Lake Central Office \$137.37. In Service, Kristen D.

U of U School on Alcoholism – Rachael F., CPC Chair – Hi my Name is Rachael and I serve you as Area CPC Standing Chair. One of the events that I get the opportunity to do is the University of Utah School on Alcoholism. This years event was amazing as usual. We had volunteers from many areas in the state. When I asked for volunteers months ago I was amazed by the interest. I was initially worried that finding volunteer to man the booth would be a difficult task. It goes to show how passionate we are as a group when it comes to helping to carry the message to those in recovery as well as to those who help people in recovery. The hand of AA was at our booth each day from open to close to answer questions or smile at people just passing by. There was an AA meeting each night, some of them were smaller than others but that did not discourage anyone from sharing and participating. The Wednesday night speaker meeting included an AA speaker, our own Keith M. and an Alanon Speaker. Both were

amazing. If you missed it this year mark your calendar right now for Wednesday June 18 2014. I expect to see each and everyone of you there. This years attendance included group sections for American Indian, Dental Professionals, Drugs: Treatment and Rehabilitation, Education and Community Prevention, Nursing, Pharmacy, Physicians, Professional Treatment, Recovery Support, Relapse Prevention Counseling, Substance Abuse Overview and Current Issues and Vocational Rehabilitation. Total attendance was 660 students and 125 staff members. This year I had both district 2 and district 3 take specific times where district members come and volunteer as a district for a longer period of time, a day or a 1/2 day some included the nightly meeting in there volunteering. I had a few individual groups volunteer to chair the nightly meeting. Next year I would like to arrange the volunteer sign up so a district or group can volunteer as one. If you volunteered this year and have any feedback, advice or constructive criticism for me please feel free to call me, email or chat with me today. I am looking forward to next year. Thanks for allowing me to serve, Rachael F.

Upcoming Events

National Bridge the Gap Workshop Weekend, Pete G., Area Corrections Chair - Verbal report given

Fall Assembly September 20-22, Matt D. for District 9-Verbal report given.

Fall Workshop November 2-3, Chris H. standing in for Frank B., DCMC, District 1 - In a nutshell, the venue has been established. The Bountiful Elks lodge. The original committee has fell apart and a new committee has been formed. A rough draft of a program has been put together. A flyer will be forwarded to the Area 69 webmaster asap to be posted on the website. There is a committee meeting 1 hour prior to the next District meeting. Don't want to stress out yet, love and service always, Frank. PS Thank you Chris. PSS The food at this event is going to be fantastic.

Area Committee Meeting December 7, Kristen D., DCMC, District 11 – Hello my name is Kristen and I am the DCMC for District 11. We are hosting the December Committee meeting. We have met as a committee once. We actually are set to meet again this Wednesday. I can tell you we are working on a building place. I cannot book the facility that would work perfect until September 1. I will call them then. Our DCM of the north will be the host committee chair. That is what we have so far. Lots more to come in September. Kristen D.

Motions/Discussion

Area 69 has bid to host BTG 2015 National Meeting. Monies are from the BTG National event. The bid would need to be submitted before the Fall Assembly. Q - Does the Area support submitting a bid? A - No guarantee we will get the bid. Passed

What's on Your Mind?

Closed Business Meeting and Adjourned for Lunch - 12:00pm.

1:30pm - Reconvened and Workshop Began