

District 11 Meeting Minutes
February 12, 2014 6:30 PM
Episcopal Church of the Resurrection
1131 South Main St, Centerville, UT 84014

Attending, in order by roll:

Devin C – GSR/District Secretary, Giulia L – DCM, Rich R – District PI Chair, John H – GSR, Brenda R – Group Secretary, Ray B – Interested AA, Rod H – GSR, Dave VB – GSR, Paul K – GSR, Cal B – GSR, Kurt B – District Corrections Chair, Kent B – District CPC Chair, Carol C – GSR, Mary F – District Treasurer, Scott D – DCM, Kristen D – DCMC, Charlie G – Area 69 Communications Chair, Matt D – Area 69 Assembly/Agenda Chair, Glenn F – GSR, Joe K - GSR

Participation: Of the 31 registered groups in District 11, 9 (29%) were represented.

Excused:

Jared L – District GV Standing Chair
Chris S – District BTG Standing Chair
Laurie S – District Literature Standing Chair

Opening:

Kristen D opened the meeting at 6:30 pm with a moment of silence, followed by the serenity prayer.
Twelve Traditions was read by Kent B.
GSR Preamble was read by Devin C.

Upcoming Events:

February 22, 2014 Area Committee Meeting District 6 Salina
March 7-9, 2014 PRASSA San Diego
March 28-30 Pre Conference- Park City District 2

District Business:

Welcome OUR New GSRs (Kristen D):

Kristen welcomed two new GSRs to the District. Glen F is the new GSR for the Happy Group which meets at the Bountiful Backstreet Club. Carol C is the new GSR for the Women's Circle of Hope Meeting which meets at the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Kaysville. We are excited to have you join us in service!

Minutes of last meeting (Devin C):

Devin C read the minutes from the last meeting. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Mary L. The motion was seconded by Cal B. Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report (Mary L):

Mary L presented the financial report and indicated that she provided Kristen with a copy of the bank statement for anyone who wanted to see it. Deposits were made on January 31st in the amount of \$291.08 and February 10th of \$30.00. Current savings balance is \$1494.92. Current checking balance is \$1910.23. There was one expense of \$30.00 for the BTG P.O. Box. Pink Can balance is \$497.96. There was one Pink Can expense of \$28.53. Our total balance for all accounts is \$3405.15. A motion to accept the financial report was offered by Cal B. The motion was seconded by Kurt B. Motion passed unanimously. Mary's report is attached to full copies of the minutes on the area web site and via email.

General Service Conference Voting Items (Kristen D):

Members will get their first look at the items to be voted on during the 2014 AA General Service Conference during the February 22nd Area 69 Committee Meeting in Salina. District and Area representatives will meet the week before the assembly to trim the list down to 8 to 10 items to be voted on by the groups. GSRs will then take the items back to their groups to get their group conscience on the items. GSRs will then carry their group conscience to the Area Pre-Conference Meeting in Park City, March 28th through 30th. This is the channel through which the groups convey their conscience to the AA General Service Organization on voting items.

District 11 Alternate Position Openings (Rich R):

Now that we have all of our District Standing Chair positions filled, it would be nice to get some depth to the positions. Let's reach out to our groups and let them know that we have Alternate District Standing Chair positions open. We might also want to emulate these positions within the groups so that people could be prepared to rotate into positions as they become available. GSRs are asked to please pass this information on to their home groups.

District 11 Guidelines Review Committee (Kristen D):

The District 11 Guidelines Review Committee last met on February 4th. This was their second meeting. Further meetings will be put on hold until April. This will give District 11 members and GSRs the opportunity to focus on the General Service Assembly voting items, PRAASA and the Pre-Conference Assembly. We now see the wisdom of scheduling of the guidelines review in April, since it is such a busy time of year in AA before then.

Written Reports (Kristen D):

District 11 guidelines suggest written reports be submitted to the secretary by the DCMC, DCMs, and Standing Chairs. This helps us be thorough in getting information out to the members of our district. Emailed reports are welcome.

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District Reports:

GSR Reports:

- Sunday Morning Serenity Happy Hour – Devin C estimates they had 55 to 60 people at their last meeting. One of our attendees celebrated 22 years continuous sobriety. This brought in some people not seen at the meeting in a while. They have taken Giulia and Kristen's suggestions on building up their home group and are seeing results. They have a strong home group and good regular attendance.
- Not a Glum Lot Group – Cal B announced an attendance of 20 – 30 people. Meetings are held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. The Tuesday meeting is a 12 & 12 study meeting. It is a good place for newcomers to start. Cal is no longer able to attend the Thursday meeting. They have a big meeting, but a small home group.
- Our Primary Purpose Group – Dave VB informed us that attendance is down slightly. They have a normal attendance of about 20. They see a regular flow of newcomers and out of town visitors.
- 702 Group – Rod H declares an average of 25 - 30 attendees. They are looking for someone who will open and set up the meeting, but, have all of their other positions filled.
- Higher Ground Group – Paul K claims about 15 to 20 attendees. They are an open meeting that meets regularly on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Come visit.
- Davis Group – Kent B indicated they usually get around 30 people. They got a little more serious about having regular business meetings. There's lots of love in the group, so come on down and join them on Fridays.
- 12 O'clock High Group – Joe K said they have good turnout of 30 to 40 people and a good core group.
- Happy Hour Group – Freshly minted GSR Glen F says they get about 50 people attending their meeting.
- Women's Circle of Hope – New GSR Carol C reports that they regularly have about 25-30 women attending their meeting.

DCM Reports:

Scott D.: (Summary)

- All southern groups' GSR positions are filled.
- Scott will be attending the Area Committee Meeting in Salina.

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- Scott will not be attending the Pre-Conference Assembly due to knee surgery two days prior.
- Kristen asked if Scott's alternate would be attending the Pre-Conference Assembly in his place. Scott said he would.

Giulia L. (Submitted report)

- Giulia's submitted report is attached to full copies of minutes on web site and distributed via email.

Standing Chair reports:

Public Information – Rich R (Summary)

- Attended the recent CPC workshop with Kent B.
- Contacted the Area PI Chair and got some ideas about PI to bring back to the district
- Is planning to attend the Area Assembly in Salina on February 22nd.

Corrections – Kurt B (Summary)

- Kurt likes the idea of having alternates for the standing chair positions.
- Received 3 new applications to take meetings into the Davis County Jail, of which one was approved.
- They can have up to 6 meetings on the nights they hold them if they have enough volunteers show up.
- February 26th, there will be a volunteer appreciation/orientation dinner. Volunteers are required to attend an orientation each year. There will be two make-up orientation sessions offered in March.
- Kurt had new BTG contact cards printed.
- Kurt has had feedback from inmates that they are getting responses from the BTG contact cards.
- We would like to see some younger members volunteer.
- Scott asked how long volunteers need to be "off paper". Kurt thought is depended on the offense and the deputy in charge. Rod indicated he was only booked, not incarcerated and they told him 5 years. Kurt will get clarification.

CPC – Kent B (Submitted report)

- Kent's submitted report is attached to full copies of minutes on web site and distributed via email.
- Kent echoed Kurt's sentiment and offered kudos to Chris on the fact that one inmate at the Davis County Jail Work Center indicated he had made a successful bridge through BTG.

Treatment – Rod H (Summary)

- Due to issues discussed at a previous meeting, as well as other challenges brought to light at this meeting, we will be canceling meetings at one of the treatment centers for 6 months. Kristen D will seek out the Area Treatment Chair and Area Delegate at the Area

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Assembly in hopes of drawing from their experience on how to move forward in this matter.

BTG – Chris S

- Chris received one letter that he is taking care of.

Area Business:

Area Communications Chair – Charlie G

- Charlie brought a few PRAASA applications and indicated it was a very good opportunity to see PRAASA in action, since the next one will be local.
- Gave an update on the web site. The scrolling banner has links to the PRAASA site, the 75th commemorative edition of the Big Book and 70 years of the Grapevine. Visit the site at www.utahaa.org.

Area Assembly Chair – Matt D

- Matt offered that any group that would like an area officer to attend their business meetings to discuss General Assembly voting items or for any other purpose could contact him and he could arrange that.

Other Business:

- Giulia welcomed the new GSRs and stressed they please reach out to the DCMs if they have questions. The first year as a GSR can be confusing, but, there are people willing to guide them.
- If groups cannot take their group conscience on voting items directly to the Pre-Conference Assembly, the DCMs would be happy to present their group voting minutes to the assembly so their group's voice is heard.
- Devin C indicated that he would try to send out meeting agendas prior to the meetings in addition to the minutes now sent afterwards. Anyone wishing to receive the agendas and minutes can do so by giving him your email address. This information has been added to the footer of the minutes. They are also posted on the area web site.

Action Items:

- Kurt to find out how long volunteers for the Davis County Jail must be “off paper” to qualify for a clearance.

Closing:

We closed the meeting with the responsibility statement.
Meeting adjourned at 7:25.

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Treasurer Report FEBUARY 2013

I am an alcoholic and my name is Mary

Kristen has a copy of the bank statement. Please feel free to see either one of us after the meeting if you'd like to see the statement.

In regards to the budget the only expense was for the post office box.

Deposit was made Jan 31st \$ 291.08

Another deposit on Feb 10th of \$30.00

Balance in savings \$ 1494.92

Checking account balance \$ 1910.23

Pink can balance \$ 497.96 [with one expense of \$28.53]

Total asset \$ 3,405.15

* *Decision Needed: re: return of funds 11th STP Group BSC.*

As a reminder and to clarify, for the benefit of those here for the first time. I post checks and monies received in the month I receive them. This means for example...if I receive a check on the 1st even though they were written in the previous month they will not be on this statement but will be posted on next month's report and statement.

It is very much appreciated when you place your group number on your checks.

Also need to remind folks per district guidelines to please submit receipts with your expense reports.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service as a trusted servant.

Mary L

District Treasurer

Expenses			Budget	2014		
Rent				Budget	Spent	\$ left to spend
			Regional Functions	500.00		
			Area Functions	2,000.00		
			Corrections	50.00		
			Treatment	100.00		
			Bridging The Gap	75.00		
Deposit			CPC	70.00		
31-Jan	291.08		Grapevine	50.00		
10-Feb	30.00		Literature	50.00		
			Public Info	50.00		
			Operating Costs	200.00	30.00	170.00
			Workshops	100.00		
			Overall Total	3,245.00	30.00	3215.00

Hello everyone, my name is Giulia and I am an alcoholic.

I attended the first meeting in January as a member of the Adhoc committee formed after the December during the committee meeting to review how the Area and Intergroup/Central Offices can better communicate, but was unable to attend the second t-con last week. My understanding is that there will be a report out during the Area Committee meeting in Salina next week so it will be interesting to hear what progress has been made. In addition, I attended the District 11 Guidelines review meeting last week and look forward to continuing the review in the next few months.

This last month, I also had the opportunity to attend two group business meetings to support groups with questions or concerns about group issues.

Finally, I have been handing out Jail forms to some ladies at the women's meetings I have attended.

I will be heading down to Salina next week for the Committee Meeting and looking forward to seeing all of you there.

Thank you for allowing me to serve,

Respectfully,

Giulia

DCM of the North

District 11

CPC – DISTRICT 11

January Report 2014

Previous Action Items: Met with Rachel F area 69 CPC

New Action Items: Attended the CPC workshop on 1/18/14 @ the central office.

Met with Rachel Area 69 CPC and picked up new packets to be distributed to doctors offices.

Attended CPC
~~There will be a CPC workshop January 18th from 10am till 2:00PM which I will be attending as well.~~ I have copied a brief letter from Jeffery M who was the facilitator for the function and sums up the days agenda.

Our Central Office standing committee on Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) facilitated "CPC Workshop – Phase One" on January 18th. Participants included CO Board Chair Christy R, Area 69 CPC Chair Rachael F, District 11 CPC Chair Kent B and PI Chair Rich R, CO Outreach Chair Charlie T, Salt Lake Group CPC representative Steven R, District II member Annette S, and CO CPC Chair Jeff M. The workshop succeeded in achieving several important goals including learning the role and mission of CPC to support the wide variety of professionals in our community who work with alcoholics both in and out of recovery; clarifying the roles of Area, District, and our CO CPC committees; exploring AA's deep and extensive literature and other resources for CPC work; and networking with each other to provide more effective services.

Rachael F thoroughly covered our basic pamphlet, "How AA Members Cooperate with Professionals" (P-29), reviewed other resources including the "AA Guidelines on CPC" from GSO (MG-11), and provided specific sample packets of pamphlets for healthcare professionals and clergy along with sample letters. She also provided direction and encouragement in approaching professionals in the community, and in improving collaboration between Area, Districts, and CO. Christy R explained the role of our Central Office and standing committees since we are "on the frontlines" in responding to requests for assistance and information. Charlie T led a discussion of how we apply our Traditions in service, and the need for communication and involvement with our groups. Jeff M discussed our spiritual cornerstones including the origins of the Serenity Prayer, and reviewed a number of other pamphlets including "AA's Legacy of Service" (P-44) and "A Member's Eye View of Alcoholics Anonymous" (P-41). Everyone participated, openly sharing their experience, strength, and hope – as well as questions and concerns. We plan on a Phase Two CPC Workshop in late spring thanks to the commitment and needs expressed on the 18th.

ON 2/6/14 I met with Dr Ron Brown the pastor of the New Hope Fellowship and briefly told him my story and discussed AA and what it can bring to his parishioners. He runs and outreach center in Layton and I truly feel there is a great opportunity for us to continue to develop the relationship with him and AA as a whole. He does a food bank once a month on a Saturday afternoon for people in the community. It would be a great idea to see if we can just leave some grapevines on the table there for people to thumb thru as they sit and talk. I will continue to explore this avenue to see what we can do more with his center. (Thanks should go out to Mary for giving me this contact).

No other business to report.