

22 District Committee Meeting Minutes 3/14/2021

Via Zoom

District 22 Area 93

**Attendees:**

Bonnie N	District 22 DCM
Joan S	Intergroup
Jeff L	CPC/PI
Hector G	District 22 Treasurer
Judy G	District 22 Registrar
Linda W	GSR Living in the Steps
Butch	GSR ABC Paso Robles
Christine S	GSR Early Riser Group LO
Deb H	GSR Sat. Morning Women MB
Ry	GSR Sunday Evening Rap
Joe R	GSR Melody Group
Gerald	Convention Liaison
Peggy B	Alt GSR Sun Morning Fantastic
Nick	GSR Sat Morning MB Speaker
Yvonne L	Grapevine
Valerie H	Acting District 22 Alt DCM
Leonard L	District 22 Archives
Chenoah	Alt GSR Mesa Group
Travis	GSR Pioneer Group

Meeting called to order at 10:15 by Bonnie N with the Serenity Prayer

3rdConcept (short version) read by Linda

Introductions

**DCM Report, Bonnie N**

- PRASSA reports will be given at the end of the meeting
- New business for next meeting will be Live GSR Meetings
- Pro-Conference Workshop next weekend, 3/20 & 3/21; New York conference will be Zoom
- Bonnie will broadcast Pre-Conference Zoom info and all can attend

**Alt DCM Report, vacant**

- Still looking for a full time Alt DCM

**Secretary Report, Debbie P - absent, Valerie H acting**

- Joan made a motion to accept the February minutes, seconded and approved
- Thanks to Valerie H for stepping in on short notice!!

**Treasurer Report, Hector G**

- The checking account currently has \$10,714.06. Savings \$3,000.43 (prudent reserve)
- Hector will send out reimbursement forms and has requested that that receipts (minus mileage) be attached after which he will mail out reimbursements
- Contributions received for Feb. & March total \$845.75. Going forward treasurer reports will include contributions identified by group/individuals
- Valerie made a motion to accept the approved treasurers report, seconded and approved

**Registrar Report, Judy G**

- Judy stated that all new GSR's & Officers are registered. She asked if anyone has received a packet from New York. Peggy & Joe both received a letter/email from NY but no packet. Linda and Valerie have never received packets. Judy will follow up
- New GSR's register with Area 93 and the Area register them to New York

**Grapevine Report, Yvonne L**

- Yvonne stated there is nothing to report. She attended various meetings at PRASSA

**CPC/PI Report, Jeff L.**

- Jeff stated that he attended the Area Meeting and the CPC Committee meeting. Received info on presentations on Zoom, as well as, work with law enforcement
- He stated that pamphlets from Central Office has donated pamphlets and will distribute them to schools, hospital and to seniors

**District 6 Liaison-Vacant****SLOYPAA Liaison, Richard- absent****Intergroup Liaison, Joan S**

- Central office moving again to a larger space in the same complex, a flyer is on the website. 3/26/21 is packing day and moving 3/27/21. Volunteers welcome starting at 10a each day. No end time just as long as it takes. Pizza and water will be provided at end of the move
- 2 year lease will be \$900/month, which is \$100 more but for much more space (irony is the new space is a former wine bar)
- Central Office Manager Position open, 2 year sobriety required. Must attend COR meeting, Central office board meeting and oversee Central Office operations. Bonnie will email job description

- Group contributions to CO are down by \$2,000 but individual contributions are making up the difference
- Early Risers Group donated new computers to Central Office for the treasurer and volunteers
- Pamphlet F-3 explains Group contributions to NY, Central Office, Area & District. Standard contributions are 50% to CO, 30% to NY, 10% to Area 93 & 10% to District. Each group is autonomous and can contribute how they choose
- New York is in need of contributions; less need for Area & District because of no travel
- Don't forget H & I contributions, we are not going into hospitals and jail/prisons now, but that will resume

#### **H& I Liaison, Ray R, not present**

- Bonnie stated that he will resume attending once they allow meetings in H&I's again

#### **Convention Liaison, Gerald B**

- The theme for the 2021 convention is "Age of Miracles"-page 153 of the Big Book. It will be 8/20-8/22/21
- Not sure yet if it will be live or virtual, must decide by 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of May. If live, limited live attendance
- The question of a Hybrid convention is difficult due to logistics
- Issues will be taken up at next Convention Meeting

#### **Archives, Leonard L**

- Leonard stated that he will be sending out request for contact person for each group to get info on compiling group histories (eg. How/when did the meeting start?)

#### **Old Business:**

- District 22 donations can be made to: PO Box 1891, SLO, CA, 93406-1891

#### **New Business:**

- Discuss having a hybrid District 22 Meeting in the next couple of months -meet at the Alano Club, but also have the meeting available on Zoom. Bonnie said she will gather information about doing a hybrid meeting from other groups who are doing that
- Recordings from PRASSA available. Bonnie to research access
- Valerie to contact SLO church regarding in person Traditions Luncheon/Service Luncheon

#### **GSR Sharing (PRASSA feedback)**

- Jeff-attended orientation, CPC meeting, PI meeting and Carrying the Message meeting. Learned importance of Grapevine – 68,582 subscription to Grapevine and 6,425 to Spanish version, La Vina. Asked that GSR's encourage subscriptions/donations to Grapevine. Considering a new pamphlet aimed at mental health professionals. How to make more accessible to people with disabilities and mental illness. More education needed to AA members on the difference

between prescription psychotropic drugs and drugs of addiction. More patience, tolerance and understanding of people with mental illness needed. Public information – discussions re: public service announcements, TV and newspaper announcements, pamphlets to law enforcement, military bases and placing more Big Books in public libraries

- Upcoming ZOOM workshop regarding critical relationship between AA & Professional community is set for 4/3 9-11a. ID 830 8126 8232 P/W 280122
- Yvonne – Format of PRASSA was confusing. She attended some meetings, however, she said a better description of meeting topics would be helpful
- Linda – Attended meeting “Are we ready to change the Big Book” and recommends video at <https://vimeopro.com/user112910871/big-book-riptab/video/500617913>. It’s a 20 minute video that invites conversation about topic in groups. She is anti-change, but after talking with younger, newer AA members and video opened her mind for the need to do it. She also attended seniors in Sobriety meeting
- Joe – Melody/Harmony Group. Melody is in person and Harmony is online. Some in person meetings but most remain online. Young people have hybrid meeting and in-person meeting-masks and social distancing required. Discussed difficulties in translating arcane English into the many languages the Big Book has been translated into. German Big Book being re-done because of poor translation/poor translatability
- Christine – This PRASSA was her 2<sup>nd</sup> experience. She attended the meeting “What AA looks like today and how we can change and adapt and continue to grow”. Keep groups inclusive, panels being translated into Spanish and Chinese for PRASSA attendees. There is a Chinese Language meeting in the US
- Butch – First time attending PRASSA. Come away with commitment to work with his group regarding meetings are for staying sober, not a place to get a date
- Nick – Saturday Morro Bay Speaker meeting is not self supporting – using Harbor lights Zoom
- Chenoah – Mesa Group stated treasury is way below prudent reserve. They have negotiated a \$300/month rent reduction. Attendance is down. Doing a “group inventory” and encouraged other groups to do the same
- Linda – Living in the Steps Group is changing their format
- Peggy – Morning Fantastic (Mon/Wed/Fri/Sat/Sun meetings 7am Morro Bay. 3/22 Business Meeting occurred last 10 minutes of meeting to discuss Hybrid/In-person/Zoom meetings
- Deb H – First time attending PRASSA. Attended panel regarding changes to Big Book and very complementary regarding Linda’s presentation on the subject. Zoom worked well for PRASSA

**Adjournment**, Joan made a motion to close, seconded and approved. Meeting adjourned at 11:40a (after a group conscience to extend the meeting) with the Responsibility Pledge

Valerie H recorded Minutes. Minutes typed and sent by Debbie P