

22 District Committee Meeting Minutes 3/12/2023

Via Zoom & Hybrid

District 22 Area 93

Attendees:

Jeff L	District 22 DCM
Elisa M	District 22 Secretary
Sherly G	D22 Treasurer/GSR Mesa Group
Christine S	D22 Grapevine Chair/GSR Serenity
Judy G	D22 Tech Chair/GSR TGIF 12&12
Leonard L	District 22 Archives Chair
Paul L	District 22 CPC/PI Chair
Chuck B	GSR Atas. Sunday AM Coming Down
Wayne N	GSR 5 Cities Group
Rick & Ally	GSR ABC Group
Sadie C	GSR Temp. Mon PM Spiritual
Bryan Y	GSR Atas. Mon Grange
John A	GSR MB Young People
Debbie P	GSR Tues AG Women's Big Book
Jim L	GSR Sun Evening Rap Group
Meredith A	GSR Melody Group
Michelle	GSR Serenity Sisters PR

Meeting called to order at 10:15 by Jeff with the Serenity Prayer.

Concept 3 (short version) read by Jeff; To insure effective leadership, we should endow each element of AA – the Conference, the General Service Board, and its service corporations, staffs, committees, and executives – with a traditional “Right of Decision”.

Introductions of new GSRs and visitors.

REPORTS

DCM Report, Jeff L

- Discussed the Area Assembly meeting on Feb 19, 2023. The meeting was in Bakersfield and hybrid, Jeff attended the meeting on Zoom. They were experiencing technical difficulties. The morning Standing Committee Meetings were not on the Zoom, because they did not have coverage for the Individual breakout rooms. The Zoom access began again at 1:00 pm. At the roll call, Jeff was able to share that we had 1 DCM, 3 GSR'S, 1 CPC/PI, and 1 previous DCM attending the assembly from District 22.
- They shared that that Area 93.org will begin to display future agendas. New GSR'S were encouraged to attend 3 Area committee meetings, and three Assembly's to get a broad view of this service work.

That their service work was to take all Information back to their groups from the District and Area 93. GSR and DCM kits are on backorder. It's estimated that it will take 9 to 12 months before they're available. There were 15 new GSR'S and 5 alternate GSR'S present at the assembly.

Alt DCM Report, Vacant

Secretary Report, Elisa

- Elisa stated that she sent out the minutes from the 2/12/23 meeting.
- Sought clarity on how to handle making revisions to minutes already submitted. Changes will need to be brought to the next meeting and voted on by the group.
- Revisions to last months minutes discussed and reviewed.
- **Paul moved to accept changes as in, July 2nd, approved.**

Treasurer Report, Sheryl G

- Sheryl reported that we have \$11,162.87 in checking with \$3,000.09 in savings as prudent reserve.
- \$849.63 in contributions for February, and we are well on our way for March donations.
- There are some automated website charges that will be included on the next report as we need to update these accounts with the new D22 credit card info. These charges add up to less than \$100.
- March will be an expensive month as we had a lot of members attend PRAASA.
- Expenses in budget were decreased because not much was spent during Covid. Expenses have increased the last couple of years because of increase of in person service opportunities, so balance will be changing.
- **Debbie moved to accept report as is, Paul 2nd, approved.**

Registrar Report, Joe R - ABSENT

GSR REPORTS:

- **Christine S – GSR Serenity Group in GB:** Have 21 meetings/week with the noon meeting being the most dominant, with about 30-35 people. Getting lots of newcomers and getting lots of books from Central Office. Moved from Nelson St. in AG to 13th St. in Grover Beach, which is \$1600/month.
- **Jim L GSR Sun Evening RAP Group:** Doing good, still working on getting group to contribute. Went to PRAASA, has this information to report from event: Cost of literature has increased by 20%; 7th tradition was up 2013-2021 but significantly decreased in 2022; prudent reserve has decreased from 11.5 months to 7.5 months; International Convention in Detroit was cancelled and all funds returned except for what was used to pay for non-refundable expenses; 2025 International Convention to be held in Vancouver; Meeting Guide App online; Grapevine has weekly podcasts and an Instagram Account. Panel topics: safety in meetings; inclusivity in the literature i.e. degenderizing the literature; translation of literature into Spanish; all topics are strongly wanted.
- **Chuck B – GSR Atascadero Sunday Morning Coming Down:** Have 40-60 people in attendance

regularly; not sure about current finances.

- **Sheryl G – GSR Mesa Group:** Meetings are good; contributions are down a bit, rent is greater than the Serenity Group's but they do have their own spot. Women's Luncheon on 4/1; currently sold out but there is a waiting list.
- **Debbie P – GSR Tuesday Women's Big Book Study in AG:** Tuesday at Noon, doing well and keeps growing. Got a new treasurer so currently doesn't have financial information but will check on that.
- **Rick – GSR ABC Group Paso Robles:** Still have 3 meetings/day, 7 days/week. Received a 30 day notice to vacate current location so the committee is actively searching for a new location. Will be out of current location beginning of April. Attendance and members are still strong and tight, not panicking at the moment and positive about finding a new location; lots of members searching for a place. Rent budget is \$1500-\$1700 / month, please keep an eye or ear out for help. Will notify Central Office of change and new location as it unfolds. If there is a gap in location, will move stuff to storage. Might mean an increase in attendance for Atascadero meetings.
- **Wayne N – GSR 5 Cities Group:** All is going well, nothing new to report. Will be sure the group is contributing \$.
- **Meredith – GSR for Melody Group:** Nothing much to report. Steering Committee meeting is on 4/2, will bring information to the group and will report back to us with group information.
- **Judy G – GSR TGIF 12 & 12:** Friday at 5:30p, online only: Finally, AA legal so will be donating to all entities. Growing inch by inch and getting some newcomers.
- **Sadie C – GSR Mon Night Spiritual Living in Templeton:** Going strong. Got a new secretary a few months back who is very good. Just got a new treasurer with 4 years of sobriety. Steady attendance and going smoothly.
- **Bryan Y – GSR Atas. Mon Night Grange Meeting:** @ 5:30p. 12-16 people attending regularly. Not many newcomers recently, but a steady on-going crew. Bring in about \$12-\$16/week and still regularly suggesting to the group to donate.
- **Michelle – GSR Serenity Sisters in Paso Robles (Zoom only):** Steady attendance. Have a business meeting in April to discuss literature and Zoom expenses. Needing a co-host for the Friday noon meeting.
- **John A – GSR Mon Night MB Young People:** 8:00p – 9:15p. Doing well financially. Shifting attendance, about 15-25. Several newcomers and birthdays last month, including a member with 28 years.

VISITING AREA 93 OFFICER – None Present

STANDING COMMITTEE AND LIASON REPORTS

Archives Chair Report, Leonard L

- Lots to do, nothing to report.

CPC/PI Chair Report, Paul

- **PRAASA:** Attended round tables for professional community which were very helpful, with a focus on how to contact the professional community.
- Will be putting together packets for Medical, PO, Judicial professional community.
- Reaching out to GSRs with specific context in the professional community to provide special/specific packets for them.
- Specific to the profession and people who need recovery.

Grapevine Chair Report, Christine S

- Went to Area Assembly in Bakersfield on 2/19/2023 with inherited Grapevine materials. Grapevine breakout room with about 10 people.
- Bonnie will be holding a writing workshop for Grapevine on 3/14/2023 at 6:30p. No Zoom information now but can get in contact with Christine for this information.
- **PRAASA:** Creative ideas for getting Grapevine message to its members. All to know is in the Grapevine, good teaching tool for newcomers.
- Pass on old Grapevines.
- \$49.99 – Magazine, Online, IG, and weekly live podcasts.

Technology Chair Report, Judy G

- Nothing to report as Tech Chair.

Intergroup Liaison Report, Jon K – ABSENT (Covid) Report from Wayne (COR):

- 200 meeting guides printed and available at Central Office.
- Nameless Newsletters are available on the District 22 website.

SLOPYPAA Liaison, (Vacant): Elisa is current member, can report in the interim:

- Bringing back Sunday Get-Down Events for AA community. Will be the first Sunday of every month 1:00 – 4:00 pm (subject to change in future due to weather). First is on Sunday April 2, 2023 1-4 at Meadow Park in SLO. Ultimate Frisbee and Cornhole, welcome to bring snacks. Meeting from 3-4. Bring chair or blanket to sit on. Flyer posted on SLOPYPAA Facebook page and we will get information to post on the District website as well.
- Email address is slopyfunds@gmail.com.
- Talk to current members about being invited to Slack, the online business platform for members or to be invited to join our Facebook group.
- We are leaving flyers in as many meeting locations around the county as possible. Please also spread the work at your meetings about SLOPYPAA as well.
- We are a business committee that meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at Melody in SLO at 7:00p.
- All ages are welcomed and encouraged to become members.

- Elder statesmen highly needed for wisdom and to be a part of the group conscience.
- ICYPAA (International Conference of Young People in AA) will be on the west coast for the first time in over 10 years. Is in San Francisco Sept. 1-4, \$30 registration. ICYPAA.org for more information.
- Hoping to get more info to the district on a regular basis so the D22AA.org website can be updated with current info.

Convention Liaison, (Vacant) – Please spread the word that we need this position filled. Report from Wayne:

- Will be in person at the Vets Hall in SLO the last weekend of August (8/25/2023 – 8/27/2023).
- Theme is Sharing Experience, Strength, and Hope.

H & I Liaison, (Vacant) – Please spread the word that we need this position filled.

District 6 Liaison, (Vacant) – Please spread the word that we need this position filled. This is a Spanish District.

OLD BUSINESS

- Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS

- John S. has converted 7000 speaker tapes into digital format. The GSO has a new Archives workbook. Area 93 is planning a history event for 2024.
- PRAASA will be held in San Francisco in 2024. Alaska in 2025. Hawaii in 2026. The National AA convention will be held in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada in 2025.
- Jeff asked the GSR'S to review the Group Opinion Poll that was sent to them by email and handed out the Opinion Poll to GSR'S that were at the DCM. To have their group consensus about the questions asked on the Opinion Poll send to Pablo H our Area 93 Delegate by mail or email. Pablo H: 608 Easter St, Bakersfield, CA 93307 or Email delegate@area93.org
- The Flyer for the Pre-Conference Workshop Sunday, April 2, 2023, was sent out to the GSR'S by Email. The workshop is at 515 Eubanks St. Camarillo, Ca. 93010. People can bring their Opinion Poll to the Workshop.
- Area 93 is asking for new Bids on hosting an Assembly. Jeff presented the idea of bidding on and hosting an Assembly for the May 19, 2024 Area 93 Assembly. GSR'S were asked to present this Idea to their groups and report back the response at the next DCM on April 9th, 2023.
- 4/17/2023 Area Committee Meeting in Filmore and via Zoom.

Adjournment, Sheryl made a motion to adjourn, July 2nd, approved. Meeting adjourned at 11:30a with the Responsibility Declaration: *I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there. And for that, I am responsible.*

Next meeting is Sunday, April 9, 2023 10:15-11:30a at the Alano Club, 3075 Broad St. San Luis Obispo.