

District 22 (Area 93) Committee Meeting Minutes

5/14/2023 – Hybrid

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ATTENDEES

1	Jeff L.	District 22 DCM	district22dcm@gmail.com
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7	Jon K.	Intergroup Liaison/Central Office	jl1851@gmail.com
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18	Ally B.	Alt. GSR ABC Group	allybrewer642@gmail.com
19	Matt L.	GSR Pioneer Group	mateo299@gmail.com
20	Denise R.	Alt. GSR Melody Group (Sun AM)	deniseinca24@yahoo.com

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

Concept 5 (short version) read by Jeff: Throughout our structure, a traditional “Right of Appeal” ought to prevail, so that minority opinion will be heard, and personal grievances receive careful consideration.

Introduction of new GSRs and visitors: Diego C. is the new GSR for the Morro Bay Young People’s meeting, welcome!

REPORTS

DCM, Jeff L.

- Attended Area meeting on 4/16/23: Discussed importance of motivating the GSRs to attend the Area Committee meetings and Area Assemblies. It is very important in our DCM to be involved in and attend the upcoming Area Assembly on 5/21/23. It will be hybrid so can attend at home. Information was already emailed. They have a great new GSR orientation earlier in the day, and highly recommend all new GSRs attend! Please, please, please attend more of these events. A schedule of meetings and Assemblies will be emailed.
- There was also discussion about expanding the technology at the ACMs in order to reach more people, while others talked about discontinuing hybrid meetings all together. No decision was made either way at this time.

- Next year, PRAASA will be in San Francisco. It is very important for committee members and GSRs to attend. It is a great way to form relationships within our Area, to ask ourselves if we are truly being of service.
- Area 93 Chairman Rudy Mejia has been informed that our District is considering hosting the Assembly in May 2024. Hosting responsibilities include providing a venue, food, guiding traffic, etc. Rudy will provide more information on how to proceed.
- Contacted the Morro Bay Community Center, which Paul L. had contacted in 2020, when our District was planning to host the Area 93 Assembly before the Covid Pandemic inhibited us from following through.
- The Morro Bay Community Center provided information for using the facility, a layout of the space available, and a price list. They currently do not reserve dates that far out.
- Please talk to your meeting groups about the willingness to host the Area Assembly and email Jeff as soon as possible with the groups' consensus.
- Joe R. resigned as Registrar due to scheduling conflicts. The description of this position is available on www.D22AA.org. Share with your groups about this open position and opportunity to be of service.

Alternate DCM, (VACANT) – Please spread the word we need this position filled.

Secretary, Elisa M.

- April's meeting minutes were emailed, any corrections needed?
- Jeff requested this month's minutes be completed by Saturday evening. Elisa agreed to have them provided to Jeff by Sat.
- **Debbie moved to approve the minutes, July 2nd, unanimously approved.**

Treasurer, Sheryl G.

- Checking: **\$11,476.13** / Savings: **\$3,001.48** / Total: **\$14,477.61** as of April 30, 2023.
- April: \$221.60 in contributions, \$391.84 total expenditures, -\$169.86 net revenue, but contributions for May are currently looking good.
- Year to date contributions: \$3,436.70.
- **Judy moved to approve the financials, Paul 2nd, unanimously approved.**

Registrar, Vacant

GSR REPORTS

- **Rick and Ally B. – GSR & Alt. GSR ABC Group, Paso Robles:** Temporarily located at the Vines RV Resort at 88 Wellsona Rd. in North Paso Robles. The meeting directory is updated to reflect the new address. It is the Taj Mahal for AA meetings, a very nice space. They rent the room around other events that occur in that space. Still searching for a place in town. Attendance at the new/temp location is growing. 3 meetings/day available, come check us out. There is a steering committee meeting tomorrow (Monday 5/15). Rick reports he has not yet been to an Area Assembly meeting, but he will check his calendar to schedule 1 in and attend the new GSR orientation they offer.
- **Lisa T. – GSR Back to Basics, Cambria:** Sat 10:30 am – 1200 at Vineyard Church in town, hybrid meeting also. 4-12 people attend, fluctuating with travelers and newcomers. Read the Grapevine stories book *Emotional Sobriety*. Discussed D22 hosting the area assembly meeting, members are on board for it.

- **Matt L. – GSR Pioneer Group, San Luis Obispo:** Gave the group the information regarding D22 hosting an area assembly meeting but there was no further discussion about it, will check in with the group and report back. \$10,359, \$7,000 prudent reserve, \$3,359 over suggest prudent. Made significant donations to all entities. Donated \$500 to Melody Group to help them with expenses. 3 meetings/day at 7:00am/12:00pm/5:30pm, with excellent attendance at noon and 5:30pm. The group has lots of newcomers and there is a need for old timers to bring time and sponsorship, please spread the word. Founders' Day 6/10 @ Alano Club after the noon meeting, come join in the meeting and fellowship, free hamburgers also. Judy asked permission to post event information on the local AA websites, approved.
- **Michelle – GSR Serenity Sisters, Zoom:** Has members worldwide but mostly in the US. Meetings are T-F, noon only. Saturday meeting shut down to lack of ability to fill service commitments. Friday meeting needs a co-host.
- **Bryan Y. – GSR Monday Night Group (Grange), Atascadero:** Have about 15 attendees regularly with about \$14-\$17 weekly donations. Continues to ask about donating to entities but pretty much just covering rent currently. Will bring up hosting the Area Assembly to the group.
- **Eli T. – GSR Sunday Morning Coming Down:** Has missed the pass couple weeks' meetings. Steering committee to be held soon regarding a Venmo account as a donation option and the logistics behind that, like getting a bank account, etc. Will bring up the idea of the Area Assembly at group level.
- **Debbie P. – GSR Women's Big Book Study, Arroyo Grande:** Tuesdays only. Going well with about 10-20 women, some newcomers, great group of women. Finances are good and the group has been donating to the 3 tiers. Will talk to the group about the Area Assembly.
- **Wayne N. – GSR Five Cities Group, Arroyo Grande:** Doing good, have 3 meetings/day. Next Monday (5/22/23) is a business meeting for the group where there will be a discussion and vote regarding the format of the meeting. Will bring up discussion about the Area Assembly meeting as well. This weekend (5/19-5/21) is the men's spiritual retreat outside of Nipomo. Contact Jim D. for more information, or Wayne also. Is a great experience to increase your program, have a great experience, intensive step-work, etc.
- **Christine S. – GSR Serenity Group, Grover Beach:** Located in a little strip mall, easy to find. Have 21 meetings/week, 3 meetings/day. Lots of newcomers. The group is excited about hosting the Area Assembly but needs more specific information about what is required of groups for the event. Step by step guide to me emailed to GSRs.
- **Diego C. – GSR Morro Bay Young People, Morro Bay:** Monday nights 8:00 – 9:15 pm. About 20-30 people attend regularly. 1st Monday of the month is the business meeting and will bring information about hosting the Area Assembly to the group and as much as possible.
- **Denise R. – Alt. GSR Melody Group (Sun AM), San Luis Obispo:** Filling the room more, attendance numbers are increasing. Lots of "tall trees" (old-timers), not so many newcomers. Will share Area Assembly information with the group and will attend Area Assembly meetings, particularly for the GSR Orientation, which usually happens earlier in the day of the assembly.
- **Jim L. – Sunday Eve Rap Group, San Luis Obispo (Hybrid):** At the Gala Center on Palm at 7:00 pm and on Zoom. Have about 15-20 regulars, split evenly in person and on Zoom. Unable to find Zoom information online, will follow up on this. Will ask about hosting the Area Assembly at the meeting tonight.
- **Sheryl G. – GSR Mesa Group, Arroyo Grande:** Would like more information on hosting the Area Assembly meeting to bring to the next meeting. All is going well here. Active birthday meeting on the last Sat of the month at 7:00 pm. 2nd Sat of the month is the speaker meeting with a potluck at 6:00 pm and speaker meeting at 7:00 pm, needs support.

VISITING AREA 93 OFFICER – will look into inviting an officer for future meetings.

STANDING COMMITTEE & LIAISON REPORTS

Archives Chair, Leonard L.: ABSENT

CPC/PI Chair, Paul L.

- Met with ECHO in Paso Robles on 4/20/23 and gave a presentation of what AA is/isn't. Brought packets as well, will bring receipt for reimbursement. The presentation went well.
- Although the facility is an open campus, they don't want open meetings on the campus, and are not open to starting meetings there.
- ECHO also doesn't qualify for H & I but was able to provide ECHO with lots of information on what's available in the area.
- In favor of attraction rather than promotion, instead of drop ins, Paul is personally reaching out to members in the education and professional field, doing it on a more personal basis.
- ***If there are people in the education, medical, correctional professions interested in learning more about AA, please get a contact name and number and send it to Paul L. who will reach out to them personally.***

Grapevine Chair, Christine S.

- Along with the Area Grapevine Chair, will be attending next week's assembly with the area display for Grapevine information.
- This will provide a great opportunity to talk about what the Grapevine is, what it has to offer, and get subscriptions.
- Sometime between July-September, will be providing a writing workshop for submissions to the Grapevine. Hoping to get some help from people in New York to join in the workshop.

Technology Chair, Judy G.

- Would really like some help and support on the technology committee!
- ***Please spread the word at your meetings that we could use some techies for a great opportunity to be of service!***

Intergroup Liaison, Jon K.

- Central office in Los Osos and open Mon – Fri 12:00 p – 6:00 p and Sat 1:00 p – 4:00 pm.
- Have books and literature available. Newcomer packets and printed meeting schedules.
- Meeting schedules and the Nameless Newsletters can also be accessed and printed online at SLOAA.org.
- Answers calls for AA, with call-forwarding to volunteers when the office is closed.
- Volunteers are always needed. Go to SLOAA.org and use the "Contact" link to reach out about volunteering.
- Use the above link to contact Central Office about updates regarding meetings. The website is only as good as what information is provided.
- ***Need to fill a volunteer spot on Fri 9:00a – 12:00p, 2 times/month.***
- ***Volunteer coordinator retired, in need of someone to fill this commitment. Contact Dick @ (805) 431-4164 to be of service.***

SLOYPAA Liaison, Connor G.

- *Mission Statement:* The purpose of SLOYPAA is to strengthen the unity between AA members and AA groups in San Luis Obispo and surrounding areas. We hope to share the enthusiasm in our spirit of service to our area by bidding for YPAA conventions. We will achieve this by showing that we absolutely insist on having fun, to the growing number of young alcoholics, through attraction rather than promotion, by practicing the 12 Steps in our lives, the 12 Traditions in our groups, and carrying the message in and outside our meetings and events.
- Bi-Monthly Committee meetings 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00pm at Melody, 265 South Street, Suite F in SLO.
- All ages are welcome and encouraged to join. Elder statesmen in high demand for experience and suggestions.
- Talk to current members about being invited to Slack, an online business application for members, or to be invited to our Facebook group.
- Email address is slopyfunds@gmail.com.
- Hosting Sunday Get-downs the first Sunday of each month at Meadow Park in SLO 1:00p – 4:00p. Come join us for sports, fellowshiping, fun in the sun, and a meeting 3:00p – 4:00p. Bring food to share with others, but it is not mandatory for participation. ALL are welcome, family, friends, and well-behaved dogs too!
- Last week's Sunday Get Down was a lot of fun with lots of dogs, kids, and more participants. Please spread the word at your meetings, would love to see you there!
- ***Annual SLOYPAA Campout at Lopez Lake August 18th-20th, registration now open! \$25 until July 15th, \$30 until day August 18th, \$35 at the door. Lots of great recovery, fun, and fellowship. Venmo ID: @sloypaa 805 or contact a SLOYPAA member to register.***

Convention Liaison, (VACANT) – Please spread the word we need this position filled.

- Will be in person at the Vets Hall in SLO August 25th – 27th.
- For more convention information, send email to info@district22convention.org or call the message line at (805) 619-0462.
- This year's theme is Sharing Experience, Strength, and Hope.
- ***Registration now open at www.myD22.org***
- Chili Cook-Off and Bake Sale Convention kick-off event Sat June 17th, 5:00p – 6:30p (before the SNL meeting at 7:30p) at SLO Calvary Church, 4029 S. Higuera St. \$5 per person to sample and vote for your favorite chili.
- Convention Committee meets the second Sunday of each month at noon on Zoom: Meeting ID: 435 033 231 Password: 000000 (6 zeros). Service commitments are still available!
- Convention Chair Inette L. (805) 264-5074.

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

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

OLD BUSINESS

- Please reach out to your groups about their interest in hosting the Area 93 Assembly May 19, 2024. Report back to DCM Jeff L. as soon as possible. Would like to be able to give a response to the Area as soon as possible.
- We would be responsible for providing space, food, and muscle.

- The Area pays \$1,000 towards space rent and \$1,200 for food. Could ask for more money if needed.
- Would be hybrid and based on past hybrid Assemblies, estimated attendance would be about 130.

NEW BUSINESS

- Area 93 Assembly 5/21/23, hybrid, in Palmdale. It is highly encouraged for GSRs and committee members to attend. Jeff emailed Assembly Agenda.

Adjournment: Paul moved to close, Elisa 2nd, approved. The meeting adjourned at 11:30a with the Responsibility Statement: 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 hybrid District 22 Meeting will be Sunday June 11th, 2023, 10:15a – 11:30a at the SLO Alano Club, 3075 Broad St. or Zoom ID: **88279258044** / Password: **D22GSR**.