

DISTRICT 2 MEETING MINUTES
May 19th, 2024

Opened with Serenity Prayer and Roll Call

In Person:

Voice/Vote: Craig, Don, Gene, Dena, Angie, Rachel, Rick, Bill, Taylor, Todd, Kelli, Ron, Amanda, Jessica, Christina, Heather, Patrick

Voice/No Vote: Teddy,

Zoom:

Voice/Vote: Julie, Patrick

Voice/No Vote: Kenda

Step 5 and 6- Amanda

Tradition 5 and 6- Amanda

Concept 5 and 6- Amanda

GSR Discussion Q & A Session: No Discussion

- Vote distribution of excess funds- Last meeting motion failed, that's where we left things. Discussion- Craig thinks that if GSO is behind then its not prudent to with hold funds from GSO. They are trying to be more transparent. Craig thinks its important to pay our bills and not with hold funds. Ron's group feels the same way. Christina brought quarterly reports from GSO to be more transparent. They are sending reports to be more transparent. Don states that Sarah our Delegate will be here to talk about that. Todd's group wants excess funds to go to GSO. Kenda speaks about how GSO is important to us and for AA. Kenda feels that funds should go to GSO. Motion made to reverse our stance on not giving GSO our funds. Second and Past. Craig would like to go back to the original percentage to disburse funds. Gene looks back and the original percentage is 50% to Central Office, 20% to Area 10 and 30% to GSO. Procedure Guide says we have to disburse funds by Jan. Bill's group wants all funds to go to Central Office. While discussing the distribution of excess funds a motion was made to retract the District's decision to with hold funds from GSO. This motion passed. A motion was made and passed to distribute excess funds 50% to Central Office, 30% to GSO and 20% to Area.
- Area 10 Summer Assembly Committee Report- Dena read Heather's report that was sent to all District 2 members via email.

New Business From the Floor:

- Homeward Bound reached out to the District to start a meeting at the homeless shelter. The reason they are requesting the meeting is that the homeless population on North Street does not have a meeting within walking distance. Ron, GSR for Oddballs agreed to facilitate this meeting. If any one is interested in being involved, please reach out to Ron at 970-250-7877 or rimrock52@aol.com.
- Craig, Alt-DCM, asked the groups to consider whether or not we need to create a new chair position to support the creation of groups within the community that focuses on inclusivity and accessibility of meetings. The HomewardBound request did not fit into any of our current chair

positions and we recently received a request to take a meeting into a senior living facility. A lot of community groups are reaching out for meeting support and we want to create an avenue for them. Please discuss with your groups what they feel this support should look like on a district level.

- Discussion on the financial distress of Grapevine/ La Vina. The Grapevine chair requested funds to allow her to purchase two subscriptions of the La Vina for the Spanish speaking group. This motion was approved. The Sat Morning Women's Group made a Motion to amend the District's Procedure Guide to allow excess funds to be distributed to Grapevine/La Vina by purchasing subscriptions for the District including jails, treatment centers and local groups. The District at its discretion may also use excess funds to purchase grapevine subscriptions that have been requested through the Grapevine/ La Vina website, which has a list of individuals/organizations that are requesting this support. Please discuss this motion with your groups. One group asks the District to look into the cost of the Grapevine to see if there are any cost saving measures that we as a District may want to address as a Proposed Action Item to the Area and GSO, given that Grapevine was \$500,000 in the negative in the last year this is something we may want to examine further.
- The District is considering asking the Area PI person to come to do a Social Media and AA Workshop. Please discuss if your groups are interested. We do not want to ask an Area chair to come out if there is little or no interest.
- We will be requesting that Scott Mieklejohn come back out to the District to complete the District inventory in July. We will send out notes of the previous meeting prior to his return.

GSR Reports:

- **Attractions** (Nancy)-
- **Brown Baggers** (OPEN)-
- **Early Birds** (OPEN)-
- **Forever Young** (Amanda)- The new Tues night meeting going well.
- **HOG** (Taylor)- Still need a DCM to come to one of our Business Meetings. Christina did go to one of the meetings and she will be at another one.
- **Lunch Bunch** (Rick/Kenda)- Founders Day June 9th is all set and ready for the event. attendance is good.
- **Odd Balls**(Ron)-
- **Clifton Originals** (Heather)- Several newcomers, group was split on the excess funds, her group maybe able to help with Homeward Bound
- **Promises** (Christa)- **Sat Men's** (Todd)- Good Attendance, Alt GSR filled
- **Sat Women's Morning Group**(Kelli)- Attendance is good.
- **Sisters in Sobriety** (Rachel)-
- **Tues Men's** (Bill)- Bill's home group now, long term sobriety, 3 birthdays this month
- **As Bill Sees It** (OPEN)- (LaDawn S. Liaison)
- **Common Welfare** (Julie)- Excited about upcoming Sponsorship Workshop. Wondering if Delegate Report will be hybrid?

Officer Reports:

Secretary (Angie)– May 19th Minutes- Motion made, 2nd, passed.

Treasurer (Gene)– Report from April- Motion made, 2nd, passed

Here's District 2's April 2024 Treasurer's Report: CURRENT ACCOUNT STATUS: Checking Account: \$5,912.05 - Checking Account Balance as of April 30, 2024. Prudent Reserve Savings: \$1,001.31 - Current Savings Balance (Prudent Reserve) as of April 30, 2024. I've attached copies of PDF Documents including: ANB Bank Statement - 04302024.pdf District 2 - 2024 Group Contributions 04302024.pdf. District 2 - 2024 Expenses - 04302024.pdf District 2 - Budget to Actual Report - 04302024.pdf Group Contributions: District 2 received contributions of \$36.50 from As Bill Sees It, \$247.71 from Lunch Bunch, \$38.24 from Oddballs, \$450.00 from Tuesday Night Mens Group and \$9.00 reimbursement from Events Chair for cups that were used for 2024 Area 10 Spring Assembly Hospitality in April 2024. Total Contributions in April 2024 were \$781.45. Total Contributions to District 2 to date in 2024 are \$1,999.06 representing 50% of group contributions budgeted for 2024. Expenses: Expenses during April 2023 included \$59.00 reimbursement for purchase of WP Bakery Website Builder Plugin for new website, \$16.08 reimbursement for Zoom subscription, \$22.54 for purchase of bank checks and \$147.56 for literature for Treatment Committee. Total Expenses in April 2024 were \$245.18. Year to date, expenses in 2024 are \$728.09 representing 18% for expenses budgeted in 2024 for District 2. According to District 2 Procedure Guide - On December 31st of each year, all money in District 2's combined bank accounts that is in excess of that year's approved budget and prudent reserve will be distributed to the following A.A. entities including GSO, Area 10 and Central Office based on percentages voted on by 2/3rd's majority of District members. Ending Balance as of December 31, 2023 for District 2 Checking Account was \$4,641.08 and our budget for 2024 is \$4,000.00 meaning we have an overage of \$641.08 for that account. In regards to District 2 Procedure Guide regarding our Prudent Reserve - The amount of the prudent reserve should equal 20% of the current year's annual budget, as determined by the District Committee. Ending balance for Prudent Reserve Account is \$1,001.31. 20% of \$4,000 budget for 2024 means that we will need to keep \$800.00 balance in our Savings Account during 2024. An additional \$201.31 will also need to be distributed to the following A.A. entities including GSO, Area 10 and Central Office based on percentages voted on by 2/3rd's majority of District members at January's District Meeting. Total overage is \$842.39 for 2023 that we will need to discuss and vote on during April's District 2 Meeting to distribute to outside AA entities. Because District 2 members voted to withhold funds from GSO, the outside AA entities to be considered to distribute excess funds are our local Central Office and Area 10.

CO-DCM Report (Christina/Don) - Don reports that letter was read about excess funds and about Hybrid meetings. Don was asked to sit on the Ad-Hock Committee to represent the western slope. He is the only one from Colorado on the Committee. Christine- Still sitting in on the Finance Committee, Christine is going to SWARSA Oct 11th-13th in the Dallas Fort Worth area. Christine had a conversation with Delegate Sarah about how the GSC is going to be doing better job about where the money is going.

Committee Reports:

Member at Large (Dena) - Intergroup and central office are in the process of doing a Spiritual Inventory. Central Office will continue to send News Letter digitally but will discontinue mailing it to the people still receiving the letter. Still have a lot of groups that don't have a Intergroup Rep. Dena is willing to talk to groups about why it is important to have someone in this position. If you're interested in being at the Spiritual Inventory ask Dena.

Archives (Kristen) - Sent report via email- Absent

CPC/PI (OPEN/Keith) - Sent report via email - Absent

Treatment Coordinator (John) - Sent report via email- Absent

Event Coordinator (Jessica) - Sent report via email- Delegate Report is at the Alano Club on June 29th starting at 3pm. This will be a potluck. Sarah will be the Speaker that night. This will go Hybrid also

Corrections (OPEN) - Christina says we can ask groups now for contributions for literature to take to Corrections. Go ahead and pass the Pink Can

Grapevine (Christine K) - Sent report via email- Absent

Meeting List (Marcia) - Sent report via email- Absent

Website Chair (Patrick) - Sent report via email -

Old Business -

*District Inventory- We have not asked Scott M to come back to do the second part of our Inventory, Craig suggests that July 21st meeting we should ask Scott to come back or in Sept. Don says if groups have anything they want to discuss

Announcements:

The district is looking for service positions. The following are needed, with relevant info:

1. **The Treasurer** - Gene rotates out in November and would like to start training. Qualifications: 3 years of sobriety - it is a 2 year service commitment. This position manages the finances of the District. Gene will train.
 2. **Alt Meeting List Chair** - Marcie is also rotating out soon. Qualifications: 2 years of sobriety - it is a 2 year service commitment. This position keeps the meeting list updated and ensures that Central Office information is correct. Marcie will train.
 3. **Cooperation with Professional Community** - (vacant). Qualifications: 2 years of sobriety - it is a 2 year service commitment. CPC is responsible for outreach in the community about what AA is and what AA does. Meets with college, county, city, and other organizations to discuss AA and how we help the still suffering alcoholics. Dan/Keith/or Kenda can help train and provide contacts.
 4. **Corrections Chair** - (vacant). Qualifications 2 years of sobriety - it is a 2 year service commitment. Corrections Chair helps facilitate meetings at the local jail. Currently, the jail is looking to open up meetings. This person acts as the point of contact with the jail and helps coordinate volunteers to go into jail meetings. Christina/Keith will train and provide contacts. Please discuss these openings with your groups.
- Summer Assembly Committee meetings will be held at the Alano Club June 1, June 15, and July 6 if anyone is wanting to help. Please reach out to Heather O.
 - Currently our two DCMs at District 2 are sitting on Area committees, Don is on the Area Assembly Committee and Christina is on the Area Finance Committee. Please reach out to them if you have any concerns/thoughts about these areas.

- Please talk to your groups about having intergroup and grapevine reps in your groups. Dena and Chritine are willing to come to group meetings to discuss and encourage this participation.

Upcoming AA Events:

- Next District 2 meeting Sunday, June 16, 2024, 4pm., Hybrid.
- Founder Day, June 9th, Sherwood Park, 11am-3pm.
- Sponsorship Workshop, June 22, Alano Club 2:00-5:30pm., Hybrid
- Delegate Report, June 29, Alano Club 3-6pm., Hybrid Sarah will be sharing her story at the 6:30pm Speaker Meeting at the Alano Club.
- Summer Assembly, July 12-14, DoubleTree Hotel.