

DISTRICT 2 MEETING MINUTES

Oct 15th, 2023

Opened with Serenity Prayer and Roll Call

In Person:

Voice/Vote: Craig, Christina, Marci, Rick, Angie, Jessica, Dena, Duke, Don, Gene, John, John, Patrick

Voice/No Vote:

Zoom:

Zoom Voice/Vote: Keith, Todd,

Zoom Voice/No Vote:

Tradition 10- By pass

Concept 10- By pass

GSR Discussion Q & A Session- None

- 2024 Proposed Budget Discussion & Process- Gene- Targeted a \$4000 budget for the coming year. John wondered why there is a budget of \$450 for website. Gene says if we want a website then the money is there. GSR's take Proposed Budget to groups. Motion made to approve Proposed Budget, 2nd, passed.
- Bimonthly AA Service Manual Study with Area 10 Chair Patric M will be held through Zoom. This is open to anyone but especially GSR's, District Officers and Committee Chairs. If interested contact Patrick Mitchell for Zoom info and to be added to the notifications list at: areachair@coloradoaa.org
- District Leadership- Discussion- Page 5 - Electing Officers. Voting on Dec 3rd for open D2 Position's: CoDCM, Member at Large, CPI Chair, Corrections Chair, Grapevine Chair.
- Committee report for Spring 2024 Area10 Assembly updates- Dena- Meeting yesterday with a good turn out. Lots of volunteers. Need a couple more people to be Chairs for the sub committee. Don will bring Assembly items back with him from the Area Winter Assembly. Set up/break down will be a big job as well as signage. Kenda suggested that the committee chair for set up/break down should find their volunteers. Budget questions and questions for Patrick are still in the works for Dena. Zoom planning meetings are available. Next meeting Dec 2nd at 1:30 at the Alano Club
- Jessica DF- Event Coordinator- Next Sat AA 101 workshop, great way to understand the AA service structure, will be a potluck, Martha M will be the Oddballs speaker on Sat at 6:30. Really get the word out, Martha will go into detail about the AA structure. Nov 11th Gratitude Banquet 5-8:30. Set up will be at 12pm. Tickets are at Central Office or Jessica has them.
- District Inventory- Past Delegate Scott Mielkjohn- Craig- our District is the lead for participation! We lack in carrying the message electronically/social media, public forums, people like to remain anonymous. How do we resolve getting positions up to speed before rotating out. Discussed finding ways to get information out to AA's. An Ad-Hock committee would be great with helping someone from District to facilitate a website, etc. Don- weeding out info from Denver to get the most important info out to the GSR's is something to work on as well. Gene doesn't recommend Facebook but rather recommends Word Press, they have a 12 Step plug in- you can put in meetings, it feeds

into the meeting guide app. Gene recommends appointing an Ad- Hock committee. Christina points out the importance of always having someone run the website. Gene says maybe add a new District position of a Website Coordinator. It takes money and man power to do this website. Craig also brought up that the 2 upcoming Assembly we are having, we can be sort of a gage and hopefully reap the benefits that having 2 assemblies back to back could bring. Covid took a lot of people out of service and these assemblies will hopefully improve this and rally people to be of service. Group looks at holding a part 2 Inventory Meeting before Scott rotates out? We think not. No date looks good at this time to have it.

- AA 101 Workshop w/ Alt Delegate Martha M in Oct 21st-
- Open District positions: Grapevine/La Vina Chair, CPC Chair, Member at Large, Alt Co-DCM-? Co-DCM Open in Nov
- **New Business from the floor** -
- Ad-Hock committee to start meeting in Jan about a website- Patrick, Dena, Gene and Don would like to serve on the committee. Ad-Hock committee will discuss Budgeting and adding a District 2 service position for a Website Coordinator?
- Don recommends moving Nov D2 Business Meeting to Dec 3rd or 4th? Craig agrees that moving meeting is a good idea. Have to confirm with Alano Club that the room is available. Craig makes motion to move meeting to Dec 3rd, 2nd, passed
- Duke would like to have an AA Dance for New Year's- Gene says Central Office has held a New's Years Dance in the past but stopped last year because Pier 180 did something and didn't want to interfere with them. Craig says District has a plate full right now, funds are sparse and we don't have the man power right now. Also there is an Alkathon Event in Dec.

GSR Reports:

- Attractions (OPEN)-
- Brown Baggers (OPEN)-
- Early Birds (OPEN)-
- Forever Young (James T/Kyle)- Absent
- HOG (John)- 15 to 20 ppl -Tues and Fri nights.
- Lunch Bunch (Rick/Kenda)- Lots of birthdays, newcomers, average 30 to 50 ppl.
- Odd Balls (Duke)- Good participation, keeping things on track, new format of chair person having the topic prepared.
- Clifton Original (OPEN)-
- Promises (Christa)- Absent
- Robber's Roost (OPEN)-
- Sat Women's Group (Dena)- Up and Down with attendance. At least 15 ppl, sometimes 30 ppl. Going well.
- Sisters in Sobriety (OPEN)- (Jessica) standing in until GSR is elected- Numbers are consistent, currently reading stories out of 4th edition, announcing need for inter group rep and Alt GSR, GSR
- Tues Men's (Patrick)- Pretty solid meeting, all positions are filled, 20-25 ppl attend.

- Men's Saturday Morning (Todd D)- 20 ppl every Sat, speaker meeting, sponsorship is a big part of their group.
- As Bill Sees It (OPEN)- (LaDawn S. Liaison) Isn't attending regularly at D2-

Officer Reports:

Secretary (Angie)– September Minutes- Motion made, 2nd, passed

Treasurer (Gene)– Report for September - Motion made, 2nd, passed. Here's District 2's September 2023 Treasurer's Report: CURRENT ACCOUNT STATUS: Checking Account: \$5,321.50 - Checking Account Balance as of September 29, 2023. Prudent Reserve Savings: \$1,000.97 - Current Savings Balance (Prudent Reserve) as of September 29, 2023. I've attached copies of PDF Documents including: ANB Bank Statement - Checking Account - 09292023.pdf District 2 - 2023 Group Contributions - 09292023.pdf District 2 - 2023 Expenses - 09292023.pdf District 2 - Budget to Actual Report - 09292023.pdf District 2 - 2024 Proposed Budget - 10152023.pdf Group Contributions: District 2 received contributions of \$100.00 from Saturday Womens Group in September. We also received \$200 cash contribution from Sisters in Sobriety and \$18 from Clifton Original Group in early October. Total Group Contributions collected to date (including October) is \$2,438.80 plus \$100.00 in contributions from the Gratitude Dinner that brings total contributions to \$2,538.80 for 2023 representing 49% of contributions budgeted in 2023 (\$5,000). With 2.5 months to go, District 2 is on pace to collect \$3,000 in contributions well below \$5,000 that was budgeted for 2023. Expenses: Expenses during September 2023 included \$278.59 to reimburse Co-DCM's to travel to Area 10 Convention, \$55.52 in expenses for Workshop and \$16.08 for Zoom subscription. Total expenses for September were \$350.19. Anticipated expenses for October currently total \$425.31. I also anticipate \$600 in expenses in November to reimburse Co-DCM's to attend Area 10 Winter Assembly. 2023 Expenses are anticipated to be \$3,500.00. I've spoken with and have received budgets from all District 2 committee chairs and Co-DCM's for 2024. I've attached proposed budget for you to review and discuss at Sunday's District 2 meeting. Please note \$500 expense for cost of new website that we discussed in last month's District Inventory. That expense includes \$150 annual hosting cost plus one time costs of WordPress Theme and Plugins that will be needed to construct District 2 website and professional services to install Wordpress Application on our server. In order for District 2 to move forward with development of new website, costs for that would need to be included in 2024 budget. I'll want to present additional items under new business regarding adding a new webmaster position in District 2's Procedure Guide as well as policies that District 2 members will need to adopt concerning content to be displayed on website. My recommendation will be to have Co-DCM's form a small Ad Hoc Committee to come up with recommendations for District 2 members to approve in early 2024. Proposed 2024 budget will need to be approved by District 2 members on Sunday. GSR's will be responsible for presenting District 2's 2024 budget to their groups and gather feedback. I will also be available to attend business meetings for various groups in District 2 between now and District 2's November Meeting. Final budget for 2024 will need to be approved at November's District Meeting. Thank you for the opportunity to be of service as your District 2 Treasurer.

CO-DCM Report (Heather/Don)- District 2, September 2023 August CoDCM Report

Heather Orr (970-275-4582) CoDCM Don Dunlap (970-985-0442) CoDCM Craig Martin (509-679-0972) Alternate CoDCM
 Upcoming Events: • District 2 Event: AA 101 (the basics of the General Service Structure) Workshop presented by Area 10 Alternate Delegate Martha M. • Colordaze 2023 September 22-24 Crossroads United Methodist Church • Gratitude Banquet November 11 • Area 10 Winter Assembly, November 17-19, DoubleTree Denver Tech Center, Greenwood Village, CO What We've Been Up To: • Please think broadly about encouraging people to stand for the CoDCM position that will open after Heather rotates out at the end of November. Please emphasize that mentoring and support will be provided by the outgoing and current CoDCM's. Refer to Concept 9 in the Service Manual, and Bill's essay on Leadership in AA guidance on the importance and responsibility we all hold in choosing leaders, along with what makes for sound leadership in AA.
 • Don and Heather chaired a workshop on Tradition 2 (How Do We Agree to Disagree/The Turning Point) at the CO State Convention in Greeley, with Christa (D2 GSR Promises) and fellow Area 10 DCMs Karl R and Greg F. We felt that the workshop was successful – the room was packed, each of the panelists provided really insightful ESH on the topic (Christa knocked everyone's socks off) and there was wonderful participation from the audience. • The DCMs would appreciate everyone's ideas and efforts to garner as much energy and excitement around the AA 101 Workshop. This is such a valuable opportunity for everyone to learn more about the "operations" of AA, the general service structure, and the great importance placed upon the membership as the ultimate authority in that structure. Great for newbies and not-so-newbies alike. Anyone who has ever attended one of these will tell you it's really inspiring. Flyers will be distributed at the Sept. 17 meeting. • Please see the numbered emails that will be sent out after the September 17 meeting - these are news and updates from Area 10 and GSO.

Committee Reports:

Member at Large (Jim)- Moving out of area, his position is open. Central Office doing well. One position to answer hot line phone is available on Sat's. Colordaze was a success. Still looking for a group to host the Alkathon- contact Sue B if interested. Check Jims emailed report.

Archives (Kristen) – Absent- Sent report via email.

CPC/PI (Dan/Keith)- Sent report via email - Oct 2nd was last meeting, PI material is available to committee for drop off at designated locations. Had panel scheduled with Dr. Bridget from the nursing staff at CMU in Nov has been postponed. Dan is rotating out of CPC position

Treatment (John)- Still seeking group to take Monday night meetings into the Mens Detox unit at Mind Springs. They have literature just need group to volunteer to take meetings. Monday Night Mens Meeting can't support it anymore, need new group of men. Things going well in the facilities.

Event Coordinator (Jessica) – Sent report via email- Would like an estimate of big bullets of what went on this past year.

Corrections (Christina) – Sent report via email- Biggest issue is getting meetings into corrections. 4 billion Grant Corrections was given expires March of 2024, hoping when funds run out they will be asking for help. Christina has a conflict of being in this position, would like to rotate into another position like Member at Large. Will discuss this at next meeting.

Grapevine (Open)

Meeting List (Marcia) – Sent report via email- Added upcoming events to the meeting lists. Marci did the same for the Spanish meeting lists. Made Spanish Meeting List with a yellow background so it's more visible to the Hispanic population. Christina has a group member that might be interested in starting a Spanish speaking meeting.

Old Business - None

Upcoming AA Events:

- Oct 21st- AA 101 Workshop at the Alano Club from 4 to 6pm (Potluck)
- Nov 11th- Gratitude Banquet, 5-8:30pm, Center for Independence (Potluck)
- Nov 17th-19th- Area 10 Winter Assembly, Double Tree Denver Tech Center, Greenwood Village, CO
- Next Meeting Dec 3rd