

District 2 Business Meeting 8/10/17

Called to order at 6:30 pm by Tony L., DCM, opened with a moment of silence followed by The Serenity Prayer.

Thirteen people were in attendance, they were

- Tony L. - District 2 DCM
- Danny R. - GSR The Family Afterward
- Jim W. - GSR The Lunch Bunch
- Toni C. - The Broad Highway
- Matt W. - GSR Simply AA
- Mike C. - GSR Seekers
- Royce M. - Member
- Scott A. - GSR The Broad Highway
- Rebecca G. - GSR Unity
- Bill M. - GSR Caring & Sharing
- Gretchen S. - Alt. GSR GRITS, District 2 Treasurer
- Melody C. - Member
- Terry C. - GSR Serendipity Group, District 2 Secretary

The Traditions were read by Tony L.

The Secretary's report, by Terry C., was not read aloud. Bill M. made a motion to accept the minutes with the correction to the previous minutes that the Big Books for local libraries were for the Greenville libraries only. Motion to accept, with correction by Tony L., it was seconded by Jim W. and the minutes were accepted.

DCM – Tony L. reported that the recent Assembly meeting there was a great deal of discussion about the original “Big Book” manuscript. Apparently it had been donated at one one time by Lois W. to the fellowship of Alcoholics anonymous. Somehow it fell into the possession of another individual who now wants to auction it for a substantial sum. There was much discussion on how the organization wants to handle this matter.

The first Assembly in 2018 will be held in Manchester and the second in Gatlinburg. The TCYPAA will be held February 9-11, 2018. There was also discussion about whether or not to have the “New GSR Packets” snail-mailed or emailed.

Treasury – Gretchen S. reported that the current account balance at Eastman Credit Union was \$1018.99 before reimbursement of DCM Tony L. for the last Assembly expenses. Donations were received totaling \$374.11 and there were expenses of \$239.82. The District is now caught up on all payments that had been in arrears.

Grasshopper Hotline – Rebecca G. reported that there is nothing new to report at this time other than the fact that the hotline needs more women willing to accept 12 Step calls.

Archives – Tony L. reported that more group reports are needed.

H&I – No report and a chairperson is still needed for this committee.

PI – No report and a chairperson is now needed for this committee.

Corrections – Jim W. shared that he is in communications with the Area 64 Chairperson regarding Corrections needs and issues. With last month's donation he was able to purchase a case of "Big Books" and some "Living Sober" books for the jails.

Website – Webmaster Toni C. informed the group that she has gotten the new schedule onto the website. She had some questions about several items: the display of the minutes, the addition of District 1 to the District 2 website, the placement of home telephone contact numbers on the web, and that she would talk with Ellen about the costs.

Group Reports

Serendipity – Terry C. reported that their meeting attendance is down a bit and that they are still reading the stories in the "Big Book".

Caring and Sharing Group – Bill M. told us that their group is seeing 30-40 persons per meeting and some are "standing room only". They hold business meetings every other month and will be contributing to the District soon. Their Treasurer was not available for their last business meeting.

Unity – Rebecca G. shared that they have some new people and feels their group is serving a good purpose. She reports that their meetings are good, they are holding some funds and will be contributing to the District soon. Their group will be having a dance on November 11 in support of the Regional Roundup.

The Broad Highway- Scott A. reported that their group had over 80 people at their last meeting. They are donating \$40 to District. Their group is also donating books to the Treatment Centers as well as to new members.

Monday Night Women's Group – Royce McC. Reported that the women's meeting is doing well.

Seekers - Mike C. shared that they will be having an "Eating Meeting" on the first Tuesday. Next quarter they will contribute to the District, based on their business meeting cycle. Their group would like to include District 1 on the District 2 website.

Simply AA – Matt W. reports that, although small, their meeting is going well. They have contributed money to District and will be having a "Chili Dog Fun Night" meeting to help raise money for the Regional Roundup. Simply AA gladly welcomes all alcoholics to come join their solution-focused recovery discussions.

The Lunch Bunch - Jim W. shared that their group averages 18-25 attendees. Several women from their group have started a ladies meeting on Wednesday evenings at 7:00. They will look for women to help on the hotline.

The Family Afterward – Danny R. reported that their group is doing well and will contribute to District soon.

G.R.I.T.S. - Gretchen S. shared that attendance is down with the departure of the "Willow" ladies, but is doing well. They are now reading "Daily Reflections" or holding "topic" meetings. Chairpersons are on a weekly volunteer basis. They will donate soon to the District.

Old Business

Literature for H&I was tabled until a later date.

New PI Chairperson has been tabled until a later date.

The Website merger of Districts 1 and 2 has been tabled.

Toni C. volunteered to accept the task of Alternate Secretary. Bill M. motioned to accept Toni C. as Alternate Secretary, it was seconded by Gretchen S. and passed.

New Business

The VA domiciliary needs support for the Tuesday night meeting and for someone to chair. Their group has \$160 in reserves. Royce and Mike would both be willing to help if the meeting were on a different night than Tuesday.

CCS, the local corrections facility, would like to have AA meetings in their building for their clients. Monday, Wednesday and/or Thursday are all available nights.

In support of the Regional Roundup, Simply AA is hosting an AA Chili Dog Eat and Meet. It will be at Watauga Presbyterian Church at 7:30 on September 28th.

Bill M. made a motion, seconded by Toni C., to accept the "New GSR Packet" email option whenever possible. The motion passed.

The question of whether or not to distribute the District minutes on the website was discussed at length.

Toni C. made a motion, seconded by Matt W., to have someone create a phone list of all District Officers, Chairpersons and Group GSR's. The motion passed and the secretary agreed to create the list.

The basket was passed and \$19 was collected, which was given to the Treasurer for deposit.

A motion was made by Bill M. and seconded by Rebecca G. to adjourn. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.