

December 4, 2019
District 1 GSR Minutes, Butler Area A.A.

Opening Session: (Deb F.) The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer. Tradition 12 was read by Jason. Concept 12 was read by Raeann B.

Roll Call and Secretary's Report: (David E.) Present. A motion was made to accept the November 2019 minutes. The motion was seconded. No discussion or corrections. The minutes were approved.

Roll Call: *18 of 32 GSRs present; 5 of 10 coordinators present; 3 of 4 officers present.*

Secretary's Report:

- If you are submitting a coordinator report, a home group report, or mark your calendar event, please give it to the secretary by the end of each month's GSR meeting. It **will not** go into the minutes unless you write it down and turn it in. If you need a form, please see the secretary.
- If you are a new GSR or if any home group information has changed, please see the secretary to fill out a Group Information Change Form.

If you have not received the minutes and you are a GSR, coordinator, or officer, please contact the secretary. If you see a mistake, please email the secretary: davidmetzel@hotmail.com.

DCM (District Committee Member) Report: (Deb F.) Present.

- Welcome to new GSRs.
- Deb is planning to attend the Area 60 4th Quarterly Meeting on Sunday, December 8, 2019 at the Comfort Inn, 699 Rodi Road, Penn Hills, PA. Anyone may attend. If you are interested in attending, contact Deb.
- Area 60 is hosting a "hospitality room" at the International Convention and is looking for volunteers to help staff the room. Anyone who is interested should contact Deb F. or Chuck J. for more information.

Alternate DCM Report: (Rob M.) Absent, no report.

Treasurer's Report: (Gary F.) Present.

- A motion was made to accept the October 2019 treasurer's report. The motion was seconded. No discussion or corrections. The report was approved.
- A copy of the November 2019 treasurer's report is attached at the end of the December minutes.

Answering Service Report: (Mac M.) Present.

- Thanks to Easy Does It for taking the phone in November.
- Let It Grow/Skype has the phone for December.

- January 2020 – Red Door; February – Easy Does It; March – Courage to Change; April – Women’s Wednesday Night; May – Friday Night Solutions
- June through December 2020 are open.
- **WE NEED 12-STEP CALLERS! *Please consider signing up.***
- **Reminder: Use only the numbers on the call list, even if you have a different phone number for someone.**
- ADDITIONAL REMINDERS: (1) ANSWER THE PHONE! (2) Please remember to log all calls received and put the name of the 12-Step caller in the log; (3) Remember to check the voicemails and call the individuals back; (4) Keep the phone charged.
- This is what we do!
- Thanks to Mac for his term of service and to all the groups that supported him the last two years.
- Bruce B. stood for the position and was approved. He will take over as Answering Service Coordinator in January.

PI/CPC Coordinator Report: (No Coordinator) No report.

- Chuck J. stood for the position and was approved. He will take over as PI/CPC Coordinator in January.
- The Alternate PI/CPC Coordinator position is open.

Web Chair Report: (Andy M.) Present.

- Andy reported that he has contacted the Pittsburgh Central Office and Area 60 regarding updates and corrections to the meeting list on their websites.
- Please note that the AA Meeting Guide app may have incorrect meetings listed. There are some jail and rehabilitation center meetings showing up on the app which are not open to the public. This issue is being addressed. Please be patient.
- There are updated meeting lists available. He printed off additional lists for GSRs to take back to their home groups. See him after the meeting if you need some. The meeting list is also available on the District 1 website.
- Andy’s term as Web Chair Coordinator is up. He has agreed to serve on an interim basis until the position is filled. Thanks to Andy for his service.
- Garrett E. stood for the position of Alternate Web Chair and was approved.

Activities Committee: (Mindy F.) Present.

- Report from the Gratitude Dinner:
 Balance \$68.16
 + \$35.00 donations
 + \$117.12 from ticket sales
 + \$747.50 from 50/50 sales
 + \$1536.24 from baskets
 = \$2504.02
 - \$600.00 (seed money)
 = \$ 1904.02 donated to District 1
- Gratitude Can = \$496.91 donated to GSO

- Mindy suggested that the Activities Committee be given a deposit slip so that the next time this much money is collected it can be deposited directly without having to be kept on hand until the next District meeting.
- Please start thinking about some activities that you would like to see in 2020. Discuss this with your home group and bring the ideas back to the next meeting. Examples: Bowling party, bus trip to Doctor Bob's Home in Akron, etc.
- There is a flier for the 24-Hour Christmas Meeting attached to the December minutes.
- If you are interested in chairing one of the 24-Hour Christmas meetings please contact Mindy or the committee. If you sign up to chair one of these meetings please commit.
- The committee is taking donations from home groups for the 24-Hour Christmas meeting.
- The next Activities Committee meeting is Thursday, December 19, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. We meet at Grace @ Calvary Lutheran Church, 123 E. Diamond Street, Butler, PA. (This is the noon meeting location.)

Archives Coordinator Report: (Jamie C.) Absent, no report.

- Thanks to Jamie for her term of service.
- The Archives Coordinator and Alternate Archives Coordinator positions are open.

Hospital Coordinator Report: (Jan H.) Absent, no report.

- Thanks to all who volunteer! In order to take a meeting into the hospital, individuals must have 1 year of continuous sobriety. Meetings are held Friday evenings on the 5th floor of the hospital from 7:00—8:00 p.m. Please arrive at 6:45 p.m.
- December – Sobriety Hill 12 & 12.
- All of 2020 is open. Please have your home group consider stepping up to help carry the message. Anyone interested in January 2020 please contact Jan H. as soon as possible.
- Thanks to Jan for her term of service. She willingly stood for and was approved to a second 2-year term as Hospital Coordinator at the District 1 Meeting in November.
- The Alternate Hospital Coordinator position is open.

Gaiser Center Coordinator Report: (Spencer G.) Absent, no report.

- Meetings are Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Gaiser Addiction Center on Old Plank Road. Please arrive by 6:45 p.m. ONLY two people may go in. Need one person to chair the meeting and one person to give their lead. **Both need to have 1 year of continuous sobriety.** If your group is unable to keep its commitment or for some reason is unable to make it to the Center one or more weeks, please call Spencer G. or the Gaiser Center at 724-287-8205. *Since the new women's center has opened, the Gaiser Center has asked that when you go in please bring someone of the same gender – men with men and women with women.* You do not need to call ahead. Please ask your home group to consider taking a turn. Thanks to all who volunteer! We can always use old and new Grapevines.
- December – Wednesday Night Big Book 12 & 12
- All of 2020 is open. Please have your home group consider stepping up to help carry the message. Anyone interested in January 2020 please contact Raeann B. as soon as possible.

- Thanks to Spencer G. for his term of service. Raeann B. is the new Gaiser Center Coordinator. She stood for the position and was approved at the District 1 Meeting in November.
- The Alternate Gaiser Center Coordinator position is open.

Davis Archway Coordinator Report: (Doug F.) Present.

- Please—if you sign up, show up.
- If you have any questions or if you CANNOT make it, please call Doug F. This is a speaker meeting only. Need one person to chair the meeting and one person to speak. **A suggested 1 year of continuous sobriety is required to chair and to speak.** The address for Davis Archway is 164 Schiebel Road, Butler, PA 16002. If you are unable to keep your commitment, please call Davis Archway at 724-841-0744.
- December – Friday Night Solution Group
- January 2020 – Lost & Found; February – Butler Concerned; March – KISS; April – Mt. Chestnut; May – open; June – open; July – Serenity Group; August through December is open.
- Please have your home group consider stepping up to help carry the message.
- Doug F. is the Alternate Davis Archway Coordinator. He willingly stood for and was approved to a second 2-year term as alternate at the District 1 Meeting in November.
- The Davis Archway Coordinator position is open.

Men’s Jail: (Dave W., alternate) Absent, no report.

- Volunteers needed.
- You need to email Kelly at the jail to get registered for orientation. See the last page for complete registration details including her phone number and email address.
- Dave W. is the Alternate Men’s Jail Coordinator. He willingly stood for and was approved to a second 2-year term at the District 1 Meeting in November.
- The Men’s Jail Coordinator position is open.

Women’s Jail: (Olivia S.) Present.

- Thank you to everyone who has donated money to the Christmas meeting for the women’s jail. If you would still like to donate, we are taking donations up until December 20th. Please contact Olivia S. “Thank you for letting me serve.”
- Thanks to Olivia for her term of service.
- Jen W. stood for the position of Women’s Jail Coordinator and was approved at the District 1 Meeting in November.
- The Alternate Women’s Jail Coordinator position is open.

Open Positions:

All the coordinator terms are up at the end of 2019. Some of these positions were filled at the November and December meetings while some were not and remain open. This includes alternate positions.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR DISTRICT SERVICE POSITIONS:

Answering Service – 3 years of continuous sobriety & 2 years as a prior GSR in District 1.

P.I./P.C.P. – 3 years of continuous sobriety & 2 years as a prior GSR in District 1 plus a working knowledge of the 12 Traditions and the 12 Concepts for World Service.

Web Chair – 3 years of continuous sobriety & a working knowledge of web maintenance.

Activities Committee – 3 years of continuous sobriety

Hospital – 3 years of continuous sobriety

Gaiser Center – 3 years of continuous sobriety

Davis Archway – 3 years of continuous sobriety

Men's Jail – 3 years of continuous sobriety

Women's Jail – 3 years of continuous sobriety

Archives Committee – TBD

THE FOLLOWING DISTRICT SERVICE POSITIONS HAVE BEEN FILLED:

- Answering Service Coordinator – Bruce B.
- PI/CPC Coordinator – Chuck J.
- Web Chair (Alternate) – Garrett
- Activities Committee Coordinator – Mindy F.
- Activities Committee (alternate) – Olivia S.
- Hospital Coordinator – Jan H.
- Gaiser Center Coordinator – Raeann B.
- Davis Archway (alternate) – Doug F.
- Men's Jail (alternate) – Dave W.
- Women's Jail Coordinator – Jen W.

THE FOLLOWING DISTRICT SERVICE POSITIONS ARE OPEN:

- Answering Service (alternate)
- PI/PCP (alternate)
- Web Chair
- Archives Committee Coordinator
- Archives Committee (alternate)
- Hospital (alternate)
- Davis Archway Coordinator
- Men's Jail Coordinator
- Women's Jail (alternate)

Please announce this information at your home groups and your group conscience. Anyone interested in these open positions should attend the District 1 Meeting on January 8, 2020.

Old Business: (None.)

New Business:

- District 1 is planning to host a Day of Sharing in April 2020. The first organizational meeting will be Wednesday, January 8, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. This meeting will be held prior to the District 1 Meeting at St. John's Reformed Church. Anyone interested in helping with this event should attend.
- All District 1 Officers and Coordinators should be prepared to submit a tentative budget for 2020 at the January meeting. Budget amounts should be based on what was submitted in 2019 and adjusted as necessary. New coordinators should contact the outgoing coordinators for help with this information. Please bring receipts or a written record of what was spent last year to guide your budget proposal.

Home Group Reports:

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING MEETING ADJUSTMENTS FOR DECEMBER DUE TO THE HOLIDAY SEASON:

- Brady Street Big Book will not be meeting on Tuesday, December 24th (Christmas Eve) or Tuesday, December 31st (New Year's Eve).
- Living Again (Chicora) will not be meeting on Christmas Day. They will meet on New Year's Day.
- Lost & Found (Chicken Coop) will be meeting on Christmas Day.
- Lyndora Original (PARC Bldg.) will not be meeting on Tuesday, December 17th or Tuesday, December 24th (Christmas Eve). They will be meeting on Tuesday, December 31st (New Year's Eve).
- Spiritual Experience will have their Christmas meeting on Monday, December 23rd. Food and fellowship will begin at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will start at 7:30 p.m.
- Butler Southside (Big Book) will not meet on Tuesday, December 24th (Christmas Eve) or Tuesday, December 31st (New Year's Eve).

Mark Your Calendar:

- The 4th Quarterly Meeting for Area 60 will be held on Sunday, December 8, 2019 at the Comfort Inn, 699 Rodi Road, Penn Hills, PA. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Workshop at 9:00 a.m. Business meeting at 10:15 a.m.
- The West Sunbury Group is having its annual Christmas Meeting on Tuesday, December 10, 2019. Coffee is at 6:00 p.m. Dinner is at 7:00 p.m. Lead is at 8:00 p.m. It is free of charge. Covered dishes are welcome.
- The 24-Hour Christmas Meeting will be held in Grace @ Calvary Lutheran Church, 123 E Diamond Street, Butler, PA. 16001 (This is the noon meeting location.) Doors will open at 4:00 p.m. on Christmas Eve, December 24, 2019. Meetings will be held every other hour beginning at 5:00 p.m. and conclude at 4:00 p.m. on Christmas Day, December 25, 2019.

For more information on what's going on in our area, please visit the Area 60 website at: www.wpaarea60.org.

The next District 1 GSR Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 8, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in St. John's Reformed Church, 493 Evans City Road, Butler, PA. (Route 68 across from Sheetz.) You don't need to be a GSR to attend. Attendance is a great way to see how your local AA works.

Motion to close at 7:36 p.m. Seconded. The meeting closed with "The Responsibility Declaration" and "The Lord's Prayer."

Respectfully submitted in love & service,
David E.
District 1 Secretary

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Officers and Coordinators: Their phone numbers and emails will now be on a separate page. It will be attached to GSR email, but it will not be attached to the minutes posted on the district website.

Treasurer's Report: The treasure's report will now be on a separate page. It will be attached to GSR email, but it will not be attached to the minutes posted on the district website. Please make checks payable to **District One A.A.** Group contributions should be mailed to **P.O. Box 1725, Butler, PA 16003-1725.**

Note: Any person(s) wanting to go into the prison needs to complete the Orientation Program at the prison. The orientation is held on the first Friday of every month from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. At that time, volunteers complete the forms necessary to check their background and they receive instruction on how to comport themselves within the prison. Available slots for the orientation training are allotted on a first-come, first-serve basis. To reserve a spot, please call or email Counselor Kelly Long at the Butler County Prison. Phone: 724-431-1347. Email: klong@co.butler.pa.us. AA jail coordinator is Mick C. AA jail volunteers are required to be clean & sober and off paper (parole/probation) for at least 1 year.