

November 5, 2020
District 1 GSR Minutes, Butler Area A.A.

Opening Session: (Rob M.) The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer. Tradition 11 and Concept 11 were read.

Roll Call and Secretary's Report: (David E.) Absent. A motion was made to accept the October 2020 minutes. The motion was seconded. No discussion or corrections. The minutes were approved.

Roll Call: *15 of 32 GSRs present; 9 of 10 coordinators present; 1 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.) Absent.

Alternate DCM Report: (Rob M.) Present.

- This is a friendly reminder from Davis Archway that we stick with the concept of men with men and women with women – please bring MEN for leads at their facility.

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

- A motion was made to accept the September 2020 treasurer's report. The motion was seconded. No discussion or corrections. The report was approved.
- A copy of the October 2020 treasurer's report is attached at the end of the minutes.

Answering Service Report: (Bruce B.) Absent, no report.

- Bruce reported that after 10 months he is finally getting rid of the phone – passing it off to Trinity group for the month of November.
- December – Saturday Serenity
- January through December 2021 are open. Please take this back to you home group and consider signing up for the phone in the new year.

- **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.
- If you are interested, Bruce can show you how to set the phone to ring directly to your cell phone so that you do not have to carry the district phone with you. All you must do is ask him to assist you.
- This is what we do!

PI/CPC Coordinator Report: (Chuck J.) Present, no report.

Web Chair Report: (Garret E.) Present.

- The Zoom account was set up in March. It costs \$15.89 per month. It has been going on for eight months which is a total of \$127.12. To date the Venmo account has received \$67.00 in donations. The difference is \$60.12 which is to be covered by the district. Garret needs a check from the treasure in the amount of \$60.12 to pay the Zoom account.
- Karen B. is still running the Tuesday night Zoom meeting. There is also a Sunday Morning Big Book Study which people are still attending.

Activities Committee: (Mindy F.) Present.

- This year's 24-Hour Christmas Meeting will be held at the Sons of Italy in Butler, PA. The doors will open at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 24, 2020, and will end at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, December 25, 2020. The first meeting will begin at 5:00 p.m. on the 24th and the last meeting will be at 3:00 p.m. on the 25th.
- **PLEASE NOTE: The side alley cannot be parked in at any time. Parking is available on Main Street.**
- Mindy has a sign-up sheet for the 24-Hour Christmas meetings. Please email her if you want to chair a meeting.
- The committee is also looking for donations for the 24-Hour Christmas Meeting. Home groups and individuals can donate. Contact Mindy for more details.
- The activities committee got the storage unit discussed at the October meeting. (See the October minutes for details.) Most of the items from Grace Calvary have been collected. The committee is going to do an inventory of these items next.
- Flyers for the 24-Hour Christmas Meeting and the Singing Taco Meeting are attached to the November minutes.
- The expenditures for the Fall Festival came to \$260.23. Donations totaled \$117.00. There was a net loss of \$143.23.

Hospital Coordinator Report: (Jan H.) Present.

- The hospital is still closed to outside groups, but Jan is taking the Grapevines up to them.

Gaiser Center Coordinator Report: (Raeann B.) Present.

- Meetings have resumed. Two people may go in to both the men and the women's side – one to chair the meeting and one to share their lead. MASKS MUST BE WORN.
- 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 enter each side: men to the men's side and women to the women's side.
- November is filled.
- December – Rae Ann will get women and cover the women's side; Trinity Group will take the men's side.
- May 2021 – Spiritual Tools
- January – December 2021 is open.
- If your group would like to step up, please contact Raeann B. If your group does not have enough women to cover the women's side, please let Raeann B. know – there are women in the district willing to cover the women's side if needed.

Davis Archway Coordinator Report: (Garret E., alternate) Present.

- Please – if you sign up, show up.
- If you have any questions or if you CANNOT make it, please call Matt S. 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 Solutions.
- January – December 2021 is open.

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

- The jail is currently closed to outside visitors. No meetings are being held. We will need support when meetings resume.

Women's Jail: (Chrissy F.) Present.

- As with the men, the women's jail is currently closed to outside visitors. No meetings are being held. Chrissy is going to take the Grapevines to them.
- We will need support when meetings resume.

Open Positions:

- Last month Roy R. stood for the position of DCM. No one else came forward. A motion for a vote was made and seconded. Rory was approved as the new DCM for District 1 beginning in January 2021.
- Last month Damien G. stood for the position of DCM. No one else came forward. There was some discussion on his qualifications. A motion for a vote was made to vote and seconded. There was one "no" vote, but the motion carried, and Damien was approved as the new Alternate DCM for District 1 beginning in January 2021.
- Jason stood for the position of treasurer. (I do not have his last initial but will include it in the December minutes.) He shared his sobriety date and gave his qualifications. A

motion for a vote was made and seconded. Jason was approved as the new treasurer for District 1 beginning in January 2021.

- Eric M. stood for the position of Alternate Treasurer. He shared his sobriety date and gave his qualifications. A motion for a vote was made and seconded. Eric was approved as the new Alternate Treasurer for District 1 beginning in January 2021.

THE FOLLOWING DISTRICT OFFICER POSITIONS REMAIN OPEN:

- Secretary – Qualifications: 4 years sobriety (2-year term serving as a G.S.R. within District 1.)
- Alternate Secretary – Qualifications: Same as Secretary.

THE FOLLOWING DISTRICT SERVICE POSITIONS REMAIN OPEN:

- PI/CPC Coordinator (Open at the end of 2020)
- PI/CPC (alternate)
- Web Chair (alternate)
- Archives Committee (alternate)
- Men's Jail Coordinator

Old Business:

- We are still unsure about the status of the Tenderfoot Group. (See the October minutes for the discussion on the matter.) However, they do have a group number from GSO, so Garret left their information on the District 1 website.

New Business:

- A motion was made for a vote to continue with holding the District 1 Meeting for December at Grace @ Calvary Lutheran Church. The motion was seconded and approved.
- There was a question about how much rent District 1 paid to St. John's Reformed Church for holding the district meeting there. It was determined that the district paid \$120.00 per year to hold the district meeting there. A motion was made to keep the rent the same for Grace @ Calvary as it was for St. John's. Please take this back to your home group for discussion. We will revisit this in December and vote on it then.
- Since the District 1 Meeting will be at Grace @ Calvary and the Butler Concerned Group has a meeting from 5:30-6:30 p.m., they have agreed to make the coffee for the district meeting each month.
- The Butler Concerned Group GSR announced that they can get books for all AA in the area. If you need books, please get in contact with them.

Home Group Reports:

- The Easy Does It Group is moving to the Connection Center, 232 E North Street, Butler, PA starting on Wednesday, November 11, 2020. They will be on the second floor and the meeting begins at 6:00 p.m.

Mark Your Calendars:

- The KISS Group will be holding a New Year's Eve meeting on Thursday, December 31, 2020 from 6:00—11:30 at the Grapevine Center. Covered dishes are welcome. As of right now 50 people are permitted in the center room and 20 people are allowed in the board room. More information to follow.
- Garret E. made an announcement reminding groups to send any flyers to him so that he can put them on the district website and the Butler Facebook page. He can also help make any flyers if someone needs it.

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, December 2, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at Grace @ Calvary Lutheran Church, 123 E Diamond Street, Butler, PA 16001. (This is the location of the Butler Concerned Group – the Nooner. It is behind the park across the street from the courthouse.) The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. Remember, you do not need to be a GSR to attend. Attendance is a great way to see how your local AA works.

Motion to close at 7:31 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