

## DISTRICT 12 GENERAL SERVICE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, October 7, 2021

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

- Call to order by Romy at 7:30 pm
- Serenity prayer
- GSR Preamble read by Jared J. (email Romy if you'd like to read or give a recap for us!)
  
- **New GSR Introductions** (with service sponsors)
  - Carita (Mary O)
- **Visitors**
  - Mitchell B (Area 09 Chair)
- **Tradition 10 Workshop Recap: Lauren O**
  - **Short form:** "Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the AA name ought never be drawn into public controversy."
  - **Long form:** "No A.A. group or member should ever, in such a way as to implicate A.A., express any opinion on outside controversial issues — particularly those of politics, alcohol reform, or sectarian religion. The Alcoholics Anonymous groups oppose no one. Concerning such matters they can express no views whatever."
- **Concept 10 Workshop Recap: Chris L.**
  - **Concept 10:** "Every service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority—the scope of such authority to be always well defined whether by tradition, by resolution, by specific job description or by appropriate charters and bylaws."
  - **Synopsis:** "Clarity of roles, responsibility, and authority is vital. No effective and successful business can run without it. A.A. has gone to great lengths to ensure there is final/ultimate authority and to define where it lies should any "course correction" ever be needed. This Concept suggests that providing trusted servants with clearly defined jobs and the authority to do those jobs is equally important. This is where the idea of the "group conscience" as the ultimate authority and the "trusted servant" as delegated authority clearly cross paths and need each other to function."
- **Panel Reports**
  - **DCMC — Romy ([dcmc.district12@gmail.com](mailto:dcmc.district12@gmail.com))**
    - Attended the September Area meeting which is now hybrid.
    - Area voted to renew the Archives lease in Riverside and several committees passed updated guidelines.
    - New service material from GSO was sent in an email from our District Secretary including Yellow AA Safety Card. (You should have received these in an email, but they will be included below as well.)
      - Printed card available from GSO after Oct. 15th on aa.org
      - Safety and A.A. Flyer - [English](#) - [Spanish](#)
      - Safety and A.A. Our Common Welfare - [English](#) - [Spanish](#)
      - Safety (Yellow) Card For A.A. Groups - [English](#) - [Spanish](#)
    - The General Service Board voted to transfer \$250,000 back into the reserve fund.
    - 5th edition of the Big Book sub-committee met to discuss the nature of new stories and sections.
    - Grapevine's new book *Prayer and Meditation* is out now! order it online at aa.org
  - **Alt DCMC — Tim ([altdcmc.district12@gmail.com](mailto:altdcmc.district12@gmail.com))**
    - MSCA 09 Election Assembly (Hybrid) October 10 @ 8:00 am - 3:00 pm
      - The October Area election will be held as a hybrid – with in-person and Zoom. Members eligible to stand for area office and members eligible

to vote can attend via Zoom to be part of the Election Assembly. Area 09 Election Assembly

- UFCW Local #324 Union Hall, 8550 Stanton Avenue, Buena Park California 90622
- ZOOM conference call: <https://zoom.us/j/84577117247> Password: 451422

- Treasurer — Bob ([12districttreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:12districttreasurer@gmail.com))
  - September 2021 Transaction Report
    - [https://drive.google.com/file/d/16kgOveikakhJ2YzlttPGvgacLVF\\_n0Qc/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/16kgOveikakhJ2YzlttPGvgacLVF_n0Qc/view?usp=sharing)
  - Committee Chairs, please let Bob know about expenses or ideas for next year's budget! We've got money to serve our district!
- Secretary — Tommy ([mscadistrict12@gmail.com](mailto:mscadistrict12@gmail.com))
  - There being no corrections, the August meeting minutes as previously distributed are approved.
  - [District 12 Phone List](#) available
  - Please email Tommy if you are not receiving District 12 emails or to update your phone list information.
- Registrar — Susan ([d12registrar@gmail.com](mailto:d12registrar@gmail.com))
  - Please complete the electronic sign-in form every month while online at the District 12 Business Meeting. Please include your exact meeting name and number as it is listed. If you aren't sure, ask someone in your group that would know.
  - Email Susan if you have any changes, updates, or questions.
- Your board is here to be of service to you. If you require any assistance, please contact any of the board members.
- **New Business**
  - Introduction of Completed D12 Guidelines — Mary F.
    - Guidelines Audit Committee completed review and update of our District 12 Guidelines. These are a reference and framework of action for members of our District, supplement to our Service Manual, and used as suggestions to aid the District in conducting business.
    - Audit Highlights:
      - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1hgqF49ZOM587YhyDzT-En7BpTs6m4l8X/edit?usp=sharing&oid=101327185228323849375&rtpof=true&sd=true>
    - Lined Through Version:
      - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1mLz-KPwCcVfw56iIjYzKUEsObTq1GZpt/edit?usp=sharing&oid=101327185228323849375&rtpof=true&sd=true>
    - Final Guidelines:
      - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ySp5Fp9j-rSsCfmqdlZLPWyONtemgvcX/edit?usp=sharing&oid=101327185228323849375&rtpof=true&sd=true>
  - **Third Legacy Elections of Executive Committee Board Officers**
    - Guest Facilitator — Mitchell B, Area 09 Chair
      - New positions appointed as follows:
        - DCMC — Bob M.
        - Alt. DCMC — Tommy D.
        - Secretary — Dominick M.
        - Treasurer — Andy
        - Registrar — Lenore

- **Committee Reports**

- **Literature — Stephanie**

- Log onto aa.org online bookstore to find/purchase wallet cards, placecards, *A Visual History of Alcoholics Anonymous*, and reach out to Stephanie directly for literature she has available.

- **Labor Day Picnic — Stephanie**

- Well over 300 people in attendance, donated leftovers to Charlie Street, Intergroup put on games and prizes.
    - Thanks to all who attended and helped!

- **Traditions Day — Lauren**

- Sunday, November 14, 2021 from 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm
    - Jersey Mike's subs will be served for lunch. (Estimating 50 people if you think more are coming let us know!)
    - Will be reaching out to volunteers
    - Traditions Day Flyer:
      - <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Yz8Y8VjpaFBtfVp4Wsgc89gmCrT7uY7u/view?usp=sharing>

- **Upcoming Events**

- **Traditions Day**

- November 14th
    - 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm
    - In-person at the Canyon Club

- **GSR Recap: Lisa C**

- Not sure how to give a GSR report? Remember to use the [GSR report template!](#)

- **Birthdays for August**

- Lenore — 4 years
  - Mitchell B — 12 years
  - John H — 27 years

- **Close with Responsibility Pledge:**

- "I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that, I am responsible."

\*\*\*For corrections or changes to the minutes, please email [mscadistrict12@gmail.com](mailto:mscadistrict12@gmail.com)\*\*\*