

**District 47 Meeting Minutes**  
**May 4, 2022**

**This is a Zoom meeting with members participating from various locations.**

**Meeting Called to Order:** 7:04 p.m. by DCM Allen L.

**Committee:** Allen L., DCM; Ralph D., GSR for Bridge Street Drunks Only Group; Jim K., Recording Secretary, GSR for Monday Men's Stag; Louise G., GSR for the Exeter Sunday Afternoon Group, David G. GSR for the Friday Freedom Fellowship.

**The GSR Preamble** was read by all attendees. "We are the General Service Representatives. We are the link in the chain of communication for our groups with the General Service Conference and the world of A.A. We realize the ultimate authority in A.A. is a Loving God as he may express himself in our Group Conscience. As trusted servants, our job is to bring information to our groups in order that the groups can reach an informed group conscience. In passing along this group conscience, we are helping to maintain the unity and strength so vital to our fellowship. Let us, therefore, have the patience and tolerance to listen while others share, the courage to speak up when we have something to share, and the wisdom to do what is right for our groups and A.A. as a whole."

**12 Traditions:** read by David G.

**Concept 5:** Concept 5 long form read and explained by Allen L.

**Approval of Minutes:** April 6, 2022 minutes approved with one correction. Ally A was listed as the GSR for the Exeter Sunday Afternoon Group, when in fact the GSR is Louise G. It has been corrected.

**Treasurer's Report:** No report as Josh was not present for the meeting.

**CSO Liaison Report:** The last CSR meeting was April 12. Income was \$2,500 and expenditures were \$4,500. The expenditure was for literature which will be sold, leaving a deficit of only \$300. Central Office is now taking VENMO. Founders Day planning meeting is May 11. You can join via zoom on the 7 pm Bridge St. Drunks meeting if you desire. The Founders Day picnic will be June 4, at Arbor 9, and groups are being asked to provide baskets for fund raising purposes for Central Office. A question was raised regarding what the Central Office prudent reserve is, and we will have that information prior to the next meeting. NA Blues Fest is May 21 in Three Rivers.

**Registrar:** No Report

**H&I Report:** Tulare County Hospital & Institution Committee, Rafael D. Tulare County H&I is continuing to encourage **all groups** to elect an H&I Representative. We encourage all H&I Representatives attend the *bi-monthly* business meeting and share their Groups' thoughts on matters which come before the Committee for review. This participation from Tulare County

AA Groups, will ensure we are carrying the collective conscience of Tulare County to the NorCal Committee. We continue to hold meetings regularly at Pine Manor, Women's Recovery Home, Turning Point and Mental Health. We remain flexible and hold meetings in-person or via zoom as requested by the facilities to adhere to Covid restrictions. Corcoran and Avenal Prisons are open and weekly meetings are being held. SATF Prison has opened one yard for meetings. Literature is delivered upon request to all facilities. We are continuing to review the proposed restructuring of the NorCal Committee. The Area Chairs are collecting all the thoughts on this matter to share with the Regional Chair who will represent us at the upcoming NorCal Steering Committee Meeting on May 14, 2022.

*Please note & mark your calendars for the following change.*

**The May business meeting will be May 21<sup>st</sup>** at 10am: Due to the Memorial weekend holiday. ID is: 848 7072 2515 and passcode- Sober with a capitol S. H and I orientation will remain the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday May 28<sup>th</sup> at 9am. ID is: 848 7072 2515 and passcode- Sober with a capital S.

**DCM Report:** David G. and Allen L. carpoled up and attended the Pre-Conference Assembly together. It was a great get-together with over 250 in attendance. GSRs represented their groups with a wide array of heart-felt, impassioned, funny and thought provoking positions on the various agenda items. For me, this was the most enjoyable Pre-Conference Assemblies I have ever attended. The Post-Conference Assembly will be held May 21-22 at the El Dorado County Fairgrounds in Placerville, CA. Pre-registration due by May 13<sup>th</sup>—see flyer for details at: <https://cna.org/event/post-conference-assembly-3/>

**Old Business:** The Post Conference Assembly is coming up May 21<sup>st</sup>. This meeting is open to any AA member.

**New Business:** Allen will provide the committee with a pdf for registration for the Post Conference Assembly in May. Discussion was held to potentially host a service fair explaining General Service, and the possibility of moving our meeting back to in person rather than Zoom.

**Seventh Tradition:** None

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None

**DECLARATION OF UNITY:** Read by all: “This we owe to A.A.’s future: To place our common welfare first, to keep our fellowship united. For on A.A. unity depend our lives, and the lives of those to come.”

**RESPONSIBILITY DECLARATION:** “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.”

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Jim K, Recording Secretary