District 47 Meeting Minutes April 6, 2022

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

Meeting Called to Order: 7:05 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; Ally A., GSR for the Exeter Sunday Afternoon Group; Josh F. Treasurer, 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 4: Concept 4 long form read and explained by Allen L.

Approval of Minutes: March 2, 2022 minutes approved with a correction in David G being the GSR of the Friday Freedom Fellowship.

Treasurer's Report: We had a balance forward of \$2,327.39 in December. Donations came from **Women's Amity Group \$24.70, Saturday AM Women's 12x12 \$17.72, Civic Center Group \$40.00, and Presently Unknown \$25.00.** Thanks to these groups for their contributions! Total income was \$107.42. We had no expenses. Our current balance is \$2,434.81. Support is available for GSR's traveling to the Pre Conference Assembly this weekend whose groups can not afford helping them travel to the Area meetings.

<u>CSO Liaison Report:</u> At the last CSR meeting it was reported that we now have 7 people signed up to be available for the 12 step call list. This is up from 2. We have approved to have the donors or purchasers to Central Office pay for the fees that VENMO and credit cards charge for purchases and donations as long as the donors or purchasers are made aware of the charge. The request to have a budget working group discuss how money is being spent was voted down in group conscience from the groups. This request has therefore been denied and we will continue to work the Central Office budget in the transparent manner which it has been in the past. The picnic will be June 4 at Arbor 9, and groups are being asked to provide baskets for fund raising.

Registrar: No Report

H&I Report: Tulare County Hospital & Institution Committee Rafael D.

This month H&I would like to encourage **all groups** to elect an H&I Representative. We encourage all H&I Representatives attend the <u>bi-monthly</u> business meeting. This would ensure we are carrying the collective conscience of Tulare County to the NorCal Committee. We were able to serve the following facilities for the month of March: Pine Manor, Women's Recovery Home and Mental Health. Pine Manor and Womens recovery are continuing on zoom. (February through April). Mental Health opened for an in person this month. Turning Point has been in hiatus mode, but will resume in person the month of April. Literature continues to be delivered upon request. Corcoran and SATF Prisons are open for meetings while Avenal continues to be closed. We are continuing to review the proposed restructuring of the NorCal Committee and are waiting to the proposed policy revisions. Once received, we will hold a Regional Workshop via Zoom to review the proposed revisions. H&I Representatives are encouraged to attend, to ensure all input is reviewed.

The next H&I Orientation will be 04.23.2022 at 9:00 am, with the business meeting at 10am. ID is: 848 7072 2515 passcode- Sober with a capitol S.

Please note & mark your calendars for the following change.

The May business meeting will be May 21st 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 4th Saturday May 28th at 9am. ID is: 848 7072 2515 and passcode- Sober with a capital S.

DCM Report: Josh went to the ACM last month on zoom and the focus was on the pre conference assembly and the General Service Conference. GSR's generally go to the mike to share their groups' group conscience regarding some of the approved items on the agenda. There was a lot of discussion regarding the right of decision at the ACM (Area Committee Meeting). There was a lot of discussion on coming up with a simplified version of the Big Book. The Pre Conference Assembly is this weekend in Auburn, CA.

Old Business: The Post Conference Assembly is coming up in May.

New Business: Allen will provide the committee with a pdf for registration for the Post Conference Assembly in May.

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 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim K, Recording Secretary