

**District 47 Meeting Minutes**  
**August 3, 2022**

**This is a hybrid and Zoom meeting with members participating from various locations, including the Central Office in Exeter.**

**Meeting Called to Order:** 7:03 p.m. by DCM Allen L.

**Committee:** Allen L., DCM; Rafael 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, Ally A. Saturday Morning Women's 12 x 12 Study Group, Josh F. Treasurer.

**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 8:** Concept 8 long form read by and explained by Allen L.

**Approval of Minutes:** July 6, 2022 minutes approved with corrections.

**Treasurer's Report:** Josh F. **This is for June and July, 2022. Balance Forward** \$2,463.66. **Income:** ACYPAA \$54.64, Springville Mon. Night Book Study \$60, Sat. AM Women's 12x12 11.75, Valley Group \$70, Crossroads Group \$5, Mon. Night BB Study (Visalia) \$30, Tues. Women's Amity Group \$66.02. Total Income, \$297.41. **Expenses:** DCM Reimbursement / June ACM \$55. **Total Expense** \$55. **Current balance** \$2,706.07

**CSO Liaison Report: David G.** PI/CPC is organizing volunteers for the Tule River Indian Tribe 2022 Pow Wow. This event runs Sept. 9-11, 2022. We are still running a loss on Venmo, it's currently at \$36.08 in the red. Samples of a potential new printed meeting format can be found at <https://aa-tulareco.org/print-version-of-meeting-schedule/> The idea of a golf tournament is supported. For people who don't golf, other ideas were floated; CSRs are supposed to go ask their groups for input. Ideas were "Take Your Sponsor to Lunch" and Miniature Golf. The Breath of Fresh Air meeting has started back up at Robertson House and could use support. The Sunday Springville Breakfast meeting is raising the price of the breakfast to \$8, but this month it is still \$5.

**Registrar:** No Report

**H&I Report: Rafael D.**

**Tulare County Hospital & Institution Committee thank you for pink can donations!**

Tulare County H&I Committee Business Meeting returned to in person on July 23, 2022 and the meeting was held at Bridge Street 526 N. Bridge St. We continue to bring H&I Panels twice a month to Turning Point, Pine Recovery, and Mothering Heights Women's Recovery. Once a month we take panels to the Mental Health Facility. H&I Panels are continuing as permitted around Covid closures in Corcoran and Avenal Prisons. Tulare County Jail remains closed, our Area Chair has sent a letter to the Sheriff denoting the value of AA members carrying the message behind the walls. We are hopeful that they will reconsider their decision to discontinue volunteers entering the facility. We welcomed two new Facility Coordinators and new volunteers.

The NorCal Finance Committee will be meeting in August to prepare the budget for the upcoming year. If there are any thoughts from the fellowship on utilization of funds from the Pink Can, please have your Group H&I Rep, bring them to the September H&I Committee Meeting to be taken to the October General Committee Meeting when the budget will be reviewed, discussed and adopted.

The next orientation will be August 27, 2022, 9:00 am on Zoom ID is: 848 7072 2515 and passcode- Sober with a capitol S. The next business meeting is September 24, 2022, 10:00 am at Bridge Street.

**DCM Report: Allen L.** We received two Bridging the Gap referrals in July. Made contact with one, and with the help of David G, got him to a meeting and introduced to some other AAs. The other guy had relocated to Pismo where his AA-member aunt lives and where he has gotten involved with the AA over there. Anyone want to be on my call list for future referrals?

**Old Business:** The South Valley Delegate's Report/Unity Day event is set for August 6th from 1:30 PM to 5 PM at the Fresno Fellowship. We have been asked to chip in \$50 for food and \$100 for Jenn's travel and lodging. The basket will be passed to pay the Fresno Fellowship for the meeting hall. I propose we put \$50 in the basket—making our total contribution \$200. This motion passed.

**New Business:** Allen asked if there was interest to carpool up to the South Valley Delegate's Report on Saturday. Three seats are taken as of now.

**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 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim K, Recording Secretary