

**1) Opening:**

- a) Kristina opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the MDB Auditorium at St Vincent's Hospital with the and Serenity Prayer.
  - b) Tradition of the Month – Gloria, 2 minute presentation on Tradition One. Norma volunteered to present on Tradition Two next month.
  - c) Concept of the Month – Sarah, read from page 7 of 2015-2016 AA Service Manual, ultimate responsibility to AA belongs to the AA groups.
- 2) **First time to District:** Brad, Steps 1-3 Wednesday at 6p.m.; Peggy, New Beginnings M-F 6:50a.m.; Emily, new Grapevine Chair; Doug, new GSR Long Table; Anna, possible historian; Zack, GSR Santa Fe Young People's AA. **AA Birthdays since last Meeting:** Maureen on December 17, 32 years; Megan on December 3, 16 years.
- 3) **Secretary's Report:** Minutes for approval, Secretary will send minutes before we meet, read them at home. Housekeeping motion to publish the minutes by email to all for review and approval at District meeting, this motion passed. Motion to approve by Lynn, Joost, 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved.
- 4) **Treasurer Report:** Joost – Written Report, tabled till next month.
- 5) **Registrar Report:** Lisa – No news, more next month.
- 6) **DCM Report:** Kristina – Check with Lisa at end of meeting to get the form with your name and group to make sure it is updated and correct. New GSRs do not need to do this, but existing or replacing GSRs need to check with Lisa to update contact information.
- 7) **Alt DCM Report:** No Report.
- 8) **Ongoing Business:** Kristina – Arranged Agenda to have ongoing business before the group reports. Web Committee, santafeaa.org is without a web master, want to get someone hired. Need approval of recommendations of the committee that researched this issue. John, Motion: Ad hoc website committee moves that: District 2 form a standing web site steering committee comprised of two (2) District 2, and two (2) Central Office members, with a Central Office member being a voting tie breaker when necessary. Their responsibilities are the content and administration of the santafeaa.org website sharing the expenses 50/50 between District and Central Office. The first order of business will be to fill the web master position. The office manager will handle day to day. Phyllis 2<sup>nd</sup>. Discussion. Vote: 24 in favor, 1 abstention. Motion passed. John and Joost will be the new members of the standing committee, will report next month. Kristina for Oskar: Area Assembly - Thanks to everyone who signed up to volunteer on the Assembly Host Committee. At this point we are in midst of preliminary planning regarding the best venue - not only to accommodate approximately 200 people with six breakout rooms but we need to weigh the options around cost. There seems to be a justified concern that if we are forced to pay the venue for all of our coffee it could break the bank. Once we've overcome these hurdles we can focus on responsibilities for the event like set up, clean up, coffee and hospitality. Although not required most host committees offer an event, usually a speaker meeting for Friday night. If you have signed up you can look forward to hearing from me.
- 9) **New Business:** Kristina – Made a housekeeping motion that Alt DCM has signatory rights in treasury. Each check from District 2 account needs 2 signatures. No objections to the motion, motion passes. Sarah is interested in starting a sponsorship workshop, she will work with Gloria, Teresa, Lisa and Joost to develop. Rachel raised a concern regarding whether District 2 is serving Spanish speakers enough, Kristina suggested she consult with others at the next assembly to see if there is a place for a liaison in District. Kit: Will combine a Mardi Gras and leap year party at new Friendship Club it will be a dinner dance, with jambalaya and gumbo. Date to be determined. The plan is instead of the St. Patrick's Day dance that is in the DIP. Discussion. Kit will proceed with this plan. Rachael: Reaching out to Spanish language speakers. Keep conversation going and get back to arrange meeting in Taos.
- 10) **GSR Reports:**
- Happy Hour Group: Lynn – Group conscience last Wednesday, have been collecting money for literature, give away big books and collecting more than anticipated. So, looking into increasing to AA literature on a rack during the meetings. Need a volunteer with one year of sobriety to set up the rack each evening on Monday, Wednesday,

Thursday and Friday. Some members are expressing how to support jail meetings, sobering or recovery centers, new coordinators for these areas.

Live and Let Live: Brian – Meets on Tuesdays at 6pm at Friendship Club. Meeting is strong, well attended. Group decided last year not to hold regular group conscience meetings but anticipate one in February.

Women's Noon: Teresa – Meet at noon on Tuesday and Thursday. At group conscience Twila volunteered as Alt. GSR. Meetings are well attended, continue to sponsor Monday evening Sobering Center meeting, Tuesday after meeting we have fellowship.

Early Birds: Phyllis – Attended group conscience and got GSR position, loving new room, the meeting is a wonderful way to start your out week.

Steps 1 2 3: Brad – Meets in MDB Auditorium at St. Vincent's on Wednesdays at 6pm, elected GSR last week, new to area and meeting, getting used to things here. Looking forward to SF AA activity.

Young People's Group: Zack – Several meeting each week, Zack and Molly are new secretaries, Luck Cyrus and Lucy are doing literature. Meets are at Friendship Club at 7pm. New meeting called "We Agnostics" with a speaker, 5 minute meditation then round robin sharing. 8pm meeting is cancelled.

New Beginnings: Peggy – Meets Monday through Friday at 6:50 am. Meetings are well attended, will be proposing a group conscience for new ideas.

Jaywalkers: Fred – Group meets at 7:15pm on Thursdays at Salvation Army. Great GP con last week, voted to get a new coffee maker, got a new coffee maker, new person to make the coffee. All set, new secretary as well.

Wednesday Night Speaker Meeting: Maureen – Group meets at 7:30pm in the MDB Auditorium. Group in need of a treasurer. Attendance is up and down. Speaker and cake at last meeting of the month, speaker on January 27, 2016 is Kit. Kit will make the dessert for the meeting. Tom K. speaking tomorrow night he has 45 years.

Friday Women's Meeting: Norma – Group meets Friday at 6pm in the St. Vincent's hospital atrium room, voted in a new secretary, good small group, looking forward to rejuvenating the meeting.

Old Friends: Megan – Meets on Wednesday at 12:15pm at in the building behind Guadalupe church. Just recently obtained the chart of steps and traditions for display to the meeting, well attended meeting.

An AA Group: Brad – Group meets Monday at 7pm at Salvation Army, group has a lot of new comers and a lot of people willing to help them, we take meetings to women's shelter, sobering center.

Join the Tribe: Hal – Meets on Saturday at 6pm at the Hogan IAIA. Meeting is doing well. Monthly group conscience, meetings average 20 people in attendance per meeting.

Bring Your Own Big Book: Fred – Group meets in El Dorado ECIA Building from 7-8pm on Wednesdays. Solid core group of folks, read a paragraph at a time from the Big Book and get experience, strength and hope, working out well.

Thursday Women's Group: Rachel – Meets at 5:45pm on Thursdays at the First Presbyterian Church. Group takes a meeting to Casa Familia shelter on Tuesday nights. Group conscience will be held to change other service positions. Our most lively discussion now is when, during the meeting to do announcements. Trying to figure out where in the meeting to do announcements. Group goes to Bumble Bees after meeting.

Long Table: Doug – meets at 7pm on Saturday at Cathedral, group had a group conscience week before last, no additional report.

Road Runners: Lisa – meets at 12:10pm, we have a new Alt. GSR now, we have not had one for a long time. Saturday secretary position is filled. Lisa will not be the secretary for business meetings any more.

Downtown Group: Joe – meeting is on Tuesday and Friday at 8pm, usually 30 to 50 people attend each meeting. Speaker for 15 minutes then open sharing. Group conscience last week new clean up chairs, sponsees can always find service for them in this meeting.

Time Out Group: John – Meets Tuesdays at noon at Unitarian Church. Usually have 6 people in attendance, group meditates for 6 minutes, 20 minutes of sharing.

## **11) Committee Reports**

Archives: Fred – Stepped up after meeting last month to be archives chair, spoke to Stephanie this afternoon, directed to website and to GSO website. Fred will be meeting Stephanie on 6<sup>th</sup> of February. Ana has expressed interest in helping on that committee. Appreciate what she has to offer as professional journalist.

Special needs: Maureen – Want to have people trained in special needs, collect their phone numbers to be contacts for any person with special needs in AA. Made up a flyer for Patrick to put on the website and brought it to the hospital, hospital did not want to support bringing in meetings to cancer patients, will try the hospital again.

Bridge The Gap: Oskar – I received the list from the new Area BTG chair of state wide contacts and tried to contact to previous District 2 chair to transfer his list, but he was out of the country at the time. I'm excited about serving in this capacity and already have been contacted by the Sobering Center here in town several times to Bridge the Gap.

CPC/PI: Jacqueline – Done nothing but have conversation with Kristina, DUI meeting continuing this Saturday, looking for volunteers that have experience with DUI to speak at that meeting.

Grapevine: Emily – Will be presenting different topics and how to get writers on these topics, going to be a workshop on how to write for the Grapevine to be announced.

Corrections/Jail: Sarah – Met with Jacqueline to discuss transition. Will work to maintain women's meetings at the jail on Monday at 11am and Friday at 5:30pm and perhaps expand perhaps. Upcoming orientation for the year, will get that information to you once it is worked out. Chuck: men's meeting at the moment chuck is the only volunteer at the men's jail meetings. Need separate certification for jails and for prison, need more people to step up to become volunteers to take meetings to the jails and penitentiary. GSRs please announce this need at your meetings and let folks know it takes a long time to get approved but it is worth it.

Events and Entertainment: Kit – Open to suggestion for food items for District meeting.

Treatment Facilities: No report.

Young People in AA: Joe – Three Legacies Workshop this Saturday, car pools going, contact Joe, workshop from 8am to 12noon. Two new GSRs for Young People's meetings are Molly and Zack. Focus now is on juvenile detention facility five people interested and filling out paperwork to take a meeting to the facility. If you are interested fill out the paperwork Joe has it. Minutes from Area committee and treasury report from the committee to share with you.

## 12) Liaison Reports

- a) Central Office: Dennis – Next Central Office meeting is Monday February 1, 2016 at United Methodist church. Central Office is updating 12 step phone list. Dennis will pick up the updates from GSRs next month. Central Office will update the meeting list soon, will work with registrar to get updated information.
- b) El Farolito: Analee – The El Farolito was not published in January due to editor's illness. There is a proposal to publish a bigger January/February combined issue. As usual, Analee needs any information you want in the issue by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month.

13) 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition recognized and collected.

## 14) Announcements

- February 1, 2016 –Central Office Meeting at St. John's United Methodist Church at 6:00 p.m.
- February 9, 2016 – Next District 2 Meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- February 12, 2016 – Second Friday of each month at Friendship Club there is an AA and Alanon potluck and speaker meeting, 6pm Rachel needs to get speakers, she welcomes any suggestions for speakers.
- Wednesdays at 6pm at Unity Church at 1212 Unity Way – New closed women's AA Big Book meeting , format is to read a paragraph at a time from the Big Book.
- What's on your mind regarding District 2 AA? Email Kristina and she will get back to you.
- Every second Tuesday at 6p.m.: AA Concepts meeting before the District 2 Meeting
- GSRs please get back to Lisa with the group registration form for your group
- Assembly in Taos: This is a different kind of assembly it is designed to hook New Mexico and Santa Fe AA into the national conversation of what is important in AA now. Next month entire meeting is about doing that. District 2 will have direct experience doing this next month in the District 2 meeting.

## 15) Closing

"I Am Responsible" – I am responsible, when anyone anywhere reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there, and for that, I am responsible.

Meeting closed at 8:00 p.m.