

# District 33 Business Meeting

## July 2013 Minutes

**Date:** July 14, 2013

**Attendees:** Tom A., Sam H., Linda L., Sonja B., Michael D., Bruce S., Jim W., Paul M., Jose S., Carl G., Jennifer, David, Paul S., Debbie S., Genevieve B., Pam C., Connie R., John R., Rick S., Shannon S., David C.

### ADMINISTRATIVE

#### June Minutes

Highlights from the June minutes were read to the group. The minutes were adopted without correction.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### DCM

Sam let the group know that due to unforeseen circumstances, Area 51 Delegate, Homer, could not attend the district meeting. Hopefully, he will be able to come in August or September. Sam will be attending the North Carolina State Convention next week.

#### TAS

Ed reported that he is getting more female volunteers, but could still use more. The total number of calls has dropped off and they are mostly informational (not asking to be connected to an alcoholic).

#### Financial Report

Michael D. presented the treasurer's report for June/July:

The bank account balance is \$3548.49.18. The report balance is the same. The report balance is \$260.28 less than the same time last year and \$398.71 less than the end of last month. We have

See the attached March-April monthly report for more information. Please ensure that all checks sent in are represented there. Joe M., can be contacted at [treasurer@aanc33.org](mailto:treasurer@aanc33.org).

**Please Note: The address for Area 51 contributions has changed.** Checks should be sent to NCGSC Treasurer, PO Box 657, Wilmington, NC 28402.

### OLD BUSINESS

#### 12 Concepts for World Service

Genevieve presented the 8<sup>th</sup> Concept, which reads, "The Trustees of the General Service Board act in two primary capacities: (a) With respect to the larger matters of over-all policy and finance, they are the principal placers and administrators. They and their primary committees directly manage these affairs. (b) But with respect to our separately incorporated and constantly active services, the relation of the Trustees is mainly that of full stock ownership and of custodial oversight which they exercise throughout their ability to elect all directors of these entities." She explained that this concept deals with the ways that trustees delegate responsibilities, devoting themselves to larger issues and sharing responsibility between them. Sam added that there are two classes of trustees – alcoholics and non-alcoholics. When GSO was first organized there were a majority of non-alcoholic trustees but today there are 12 alcoholic trustees and 6 non-alcoholic ones. The non-alcoholic trustees are extremely important because they, unlike the alcoholic ones, can serve as the mouthpiece of AA. Rick S. will present on Concept 9 in August.

### **UNC Hospital Meeting**

Sam is trying to get in touch with Amy to get this meeting going, but it is taking some time because of hospital red tape. Sam will forward Amy's contact information to Debra G. so the Chapel Hill Carrboro Group can start working out logistics.

### **Grapevine**

Rick gave Michael a check for all of the remaining funds the district advanced to the grapevine. The grapevine is now completely paid up. Rick has a little bit of literature left over from past purchases, which he will distribute to recovery centers in the district. Linda L. volunteered to serve as grapevine chair for the district! Thank you, Linda, for your service!

### **Trifold Formatting**

Rick S. redid the meeting list trifold, drawing the information from the county schedules available on the website. He noticed a couple of problems with those lists including the fact that all of the Thursday meetings in Alamance County will not print and the Orange County Corrections meeting is listed as occurring 5 days a week. He also suggested that we move to a quad-fold format, as the space in the trifold is quite tight and a quad-fold would allow space for more information about each meeting and could accommodate new meetings. A motion was made and approved to move to a quad-fold (legal sized) meeting brochure. Rick said he would bring some bids on the cost of printing the brochure to the next district meeting.

### **Literature Request**

Terry G. requested that the district donate some literature to the prison in Yancyville. The suggestion was made that the request be forwarded to Jennie P. (Corrections committee chair) so that she could coordinate it with her other efforts and then present the request to the district.

### **Excess Funds Discussion**

Part 1. The district has excess funds. We had previously resolved to donate the money upstream biannually. The motion was made and approved to send \$1000 in excess funds with a 60/40 split between GSO and area.

Part 2. The area has excess funds and is trying to decide what ought to be done with them. We have the opportunity to make suggestions. After some discussion, it was agreed that Sam present the following resolutions to the area on behalf of the district:

Resolution 1:

RESOLVED, that District 33 suggests that, for the purposes of area service representatives in the fields of CPC/PI, treatment facilities, corrections facilities, Grapevine representative, and the like, that Area 51 be divided into two or three regions with a service co-chair or assistant chair appointed for each region in order to reduce the individual burden on those engaged in statewide service and to better carry the message among competing and overlapping opportunities.

Resolution 2:

RESOLVED, that additional funds or surplus funds be allocated to better reimburse Area 51 Service Representatives for their travel expenses so that service is not limited only to those who can afford the necessary travel costs.

## **CONTRIBUTIONS**

### **District Contributions**

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*Note: If you provide your email address, a confirmation will be sent to you.*

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