# GSR Dist. 32 Business Meeting

June 18, 2018

**Open with the Serenity Prayer** 

6<sup>th</sup> Concept read by Dee Dee

**Birthday Announcements** 

**Secretary Report** 

none given

# **Treasurer Report: given by Pete**

We have changed banks from Key bank to Wells Fargo. This will save us paying \$5.00 fee as long as we keep a \$500.00 minimum balance. It also allows us to have a debit card for expenses. Written report was handed out. (See treasure report for details)

Pete wanted us to remind our group that when we send a check in it needs to made out to District 32. Otherwise they have difficulty depositing them.

Greg asked for an amended report to show \$400.00 donation from Just for Today and a \$433.00 donation from Rush Hour.

Treasurer report was accepted contingent on amendment.

#### **Intergroup report:** given by

Intergroup picnic is August 19 at Woodland Park. Buttons are for sale \$4.00 each. The buttons have a number on them that gives you a chance to win a ticket to the NW Roundup April Fifth, Sixth, and Seventh. You do not have to be present to win. Buttons may be purchased from Jim at the Alano book store for \$4.00 each.

# Literature report: given by Jim

Jim recently attended the quarterly Grapevine convention. He attended a workshop on how to submit a story to the grapevine. He is willing to conduct a workshop if anyone is interested. You can contact Jim at the Alano club bookstore or through the District32aa.org web page.

The Original Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous was sold at auction for 2.4 million dollars. It was purchased by someone who has 25 years sober and will be on display for AA 3 months out of the year.

AA no longer owns the manuscript.

Jim gave away As Bill Sees it and Young and Sober. We were asked to pick a number between 1-50. Jacob won As Bill Sees it with no 16. Havier won Young and Sober with the number 14. Thank You Jim!

# PI No Report

# **H&I** No Report

# **Bridge the Gap No Report**

#### **CPC Report given by Tony**

We have an active 12 step call list. We need more Volunteers for 12 step calls. It is not difficult. Sometimes the person you contact only wants someone to talk to we only need to share our first step with someone in need. It is easy to sign up to volunteer. Just go to district32aa.org, click on the 12 step tab, fill out the information required and submit.

Sometimes the person at the counter when you go into the hospital won't know where the pamphlets are just let them know they are behind the counter.

Heather wanted to know if Tony could be contacted in the middle of the night. He said he would certainly do his best. She works at the hospital and says there is a secure place to park late at night.

Tony asked when visiting hours were at the hospital. The answer is 8am to 8pm. However in the case of a 12 step call it might be ok to visit later.

Jim asked if Tony had spoken with NA about directing call to NA for people with drug related problems. He said he had not heard back from John Paul. Someone who knows John Paul says he spoke with him about it and that John Paul will get in touch with Tony.

# Web Report given by Aaron

There has been several request to have the meeting minutes back on the Web. Aaron has added the tab Useful Forms click on this tab and scroll down to Meeting Minutes. The new format can be used with smart phones and now is easier to use. He gave a demonstration on the screen.

# **Archives Report given by Dylan**

He is going through everything and working on organizing. He found a copy of a 1<sup>st</sup> addition Big Book that is in poor condition. He has found some old photos and would like to know if anyone can identify people in photos.

He is going to a workshop the 14<sup>th</sup> of Aug.

Needs to know if it ok to put shelves up in the storage unit.

# **YP** Report given by Havier

He is going to have a workshop at the District32 picnic.

# Picnic Committee report given by Greg

We still need volunteers for committees. To sign up go to distric32aa.org click on EVENTS tab, scroll down to picnic committee and sigh up. A group can sign up as well.

#### DCM report given by Jim

Jim handed out a 68<sup>th</sup> GSC RESULTS. It is 7 pages long and has the result of the proposals. Thank You Jim.

# **Old business**

Proposed budget. Pete handed out a four page budget proposal.

In September we need to have a budget committee.

Greg reminded us that we need to turn in our receipts and the whole amount needs to claimed as an expense. If we don't want to be reimbursed that amount is then documented as a contribution so that we know what to budget for the next year.

Jim wants to encourage the committees to spend what is in there budget. It will help to encourage other members to get involved.

Treasurer said he is willing to come to any group to help explain about the Treasury.

It was discussed whether to take the proposed budget to the group and vote on it next month or vote on it now because we are trusted servants and that is what we have been sent here to do.

There was more discussion. Some groups don't know what you're talking about. It doesn't matter of they know what you're talking about it's up to us to take the message back to them.

We decided to vote on whether to take it back to the group or vote now. We voted 17 in favor 1 against and one obtained because he brought the proposal to the group.

Dick disagreed because the group hasn't seen the numbers and he would want to go back to the group and have to tell them that we needed more money when they didn't get to see the budget before it was voted on.

Heather want to know why the budget was more than what we are projected to take in.

Tony said we need a starting point.

Aaron said it is a suggested amount but if we don't have the money we won't spend it.

Pete the treasurer want to know at what point do we put the brakes on spending? The answer was before we run out of money.

Nick said you say we have a Big Budget because we are doing big things. If he goes back to his group he feels like he is lying because he doesn't see the big things.

Jim says we aren't spending our budget.

Greg says if we have a budget we can attract a chair. They will know that there are funds to do the things that need to be done.

Mike say the proposed budget is only \$800.00 over projected income.

Shannon was concerned that her group would be alarmed at the big jump that the budget is making.

Gavin was concerned about being able to pay the Dist. He says when he makes his budget he has to stay within what he brings in.

Nick said this is a projection and that much probably won't get spent.

Aaron noted that his Web site committee doesn't have quarterlies so he won't spend much

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Tony added AA is not a normal Business if there is a need the money will come We need to have a starting point. He said that we don't go and tell our group that the Dist. Is struggling because we only spend what we have. The budget is a guideline so we can have positions. And reminds us to Document our expenses.

# **New Business**

Dylan wanted to know if he could get shelves for the Archives storage unit. Yes. Just turn in your receipts.

Meeting closed circling up with the responsibility prayer.