

**District 32 Western Washington Area 72 Alcoholics Anonymous
Meeting Minutes (Virtual meeting)
November 16th, 2020**

Members in Attendance:

Troy O. (GSR, Grapevine and Lit), **Angela R** (Third Legacy), **Tony** (PI), **Linda K.** (GSR,Treatment), **Nic C.** (Alt DCM), **Heather S.** (GSR/Secretary), **Dylan S.** (Archivist), **Aaron W.** (Webmaster), **Shelby B.** (Accessibility), **Matt H.** (Intergroup), **Greg K.** (Treasurer), **Dave G** (Alt treatment/GSR), **Savannah C.** (GSR), **Gavin A.** (Events), **Jim R.** (Past DCM/Guest), **Carrie B.** (Alt Webmaster), **Pete K.** (Guest), **Michele G.** (GSR), **Angi S.**, **Jackie D.** (BTG), **Casey H.**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm with the serenity prayer. Meeting being recorded.

Tradition 11 read, Concept 11 read.

Birthdays: Savannah with 9 years, Matt with 7 years.

Roll call: GSRs: 7, Chairs: 7, Guests: 2, Alt GSR: 1. Voting members: 15.

To contribute to 7th tradition, use venmo on website.

Reports

Secretary Report: Heather S.

Minutes printed, read and reviewed by the district members. Greg K. made amendments, Heather read aloud.

Matt moved to accept amended minutes, Angela seconded, Minutes approved.

Treasurer Report: Greg K.

Starting balance: 1568.27; Income: 40.00; Expenses: 173.08; Ending Balance: 1435.19 minus prudent reserve of 1125.00. Remaining balance: 310.19

Aaron W. made motion to approve treasurer's report, Savannah C. seconded, motion passed.

Schools: Jean-Paul

Not present, no report.

Webmaster: Aaron W.

Noting to report.

Treatment: Linda K.

We now have pamphlets for Bridging the Gap Volunteer and Bridging the Gap Request ready for review. They will be presented at tonight's meeting. The Volunteer pamphlet has been edited so that it is usable for all types of 12th step work rather than being focused just on Treatment volunteers. We have distributed pamphlet packets for clients and for staff members to more treatment facilities in the district. We are working with Seattle Intergroup to find display racks for those facilities that need them. Our next project is to put together what a workshop for treatment staff would look like.

Corrections: Open position

Open. Announce at meetings!

Grapevine/Lit: Troy O.

Troy has been volunteering at the bookstore at the South King Alano club. The club just closed again, however the bookstore may be able to stay open, unclear at this point. Troy is working on an online literature rack. He is going to various meetings and providing a link to the GSO online literature rack.

CPC: Leigh

Not present. Sent email to Heather: We've taken a few hospital calls this month. I will be transitioning out of the position at the next rotation and will be sure to save an updated phone list in the district CPC Google drive. There is still a need for people to be on the list to take the calls as well. Please mention at meetings that volunteers can sign up on the District website.

PI: Tony

I attended the zoom Quarterly Saturday heard some great feedback from speakers regarding presenting to professionals like courts and judges also heard from other districts about how to reach out to remote communities to make sure we are doing all we can to reach those folks whether they are isolated by geography, language or other special needs. Also want to let everyone know intergroup has quite a bit left in their budget and is willing to help with literature or racks or any other supplies that you may need to help carry the message if your committee's are shorthanded. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Intergroup: Matt H.

- The 2021 Burien Little Assembly (BLA) will be held virtually
- GSIG will hold officer (Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer, Secretary) at the Dec 15th Assembly. Ideally we would have at least two candidates for each position. Currently we only have one person who has submitted their interest. Please email questions or resumes to nominating@seattleaa.org

- In addition, many of the GSIG Committees will be rotating chairs and would always welcome new members, please email current committee chair per emails on the website
- Assistant Office Manager position open and will be accepting resumes until Oct 31 please see website for more information. (Another member reported that Anita is taking the assistant office manager position.)
- GSIG is still hoping more members will complete our online survey about GSIG currently only about 60 responders
- Night Watch currently has 8 openings for phone shift for November if interested [Nightwatch - Alcoholics Anonymous](#)
- Current GSIG office lease will be extended 12 months until May 2022 with no increase in rent
- Phoenix Club is having to move out of the current location. Meetings will be virtual and post-Covid they will look for a new location
- South King Alano Club will reopen for meetings Nov 2
- Also Intergroup hosted a Q & A from the King County Health on October 26th at 7pm.

Third Legacy: Angela R.

Service manual study is at 5:45 PM before the district meeting. Going well.

Young People: Sean O.

Not present, no report.

Accessibility: Shelby B.

Nothing to report.

Events: Gavin A.

Spoke with Casey about the transition. Next year's picnic slot is booked and paid for. Will put together budget and plan for picnic.

DCM: Open position

Alt DCM: Nic C.

Current chairs need to get together with new chairs to make sure we have a smooth transition. New rotation starts in January.

Old Business

Open Positions

- Accessibility: No volunteers, announce at meetings

- CPC: Matt H. volunteered. Tony clarified the position. Nic read the responsibilities from the handbook. Matt H elected as new CPC chair.
- Corrections: Open. Announce at meetings.

New Business

Intergroup Motion:

“GSIG will repay the entire Payroll Protection Program loan even though it has been granted forgiveness by the SBA.”

- Tony H. submitted motion to Intergroup to be put on the agenda for the December board meeting. Tony did research and all they have to do to pay back money is to contact the bank. Need a second for the November board meeting. It will need to get a simple majority at the November meeting and then it will be brought to the December meeting for a vote. At the December meeting, any intergroup rep may vote.
- Do we need to revote as a district to bring this motion to Intergroup since we received new information since we voted last time?
- Discussion:
 - Only 3 people raised hands initially stating they wanted to bring it up for a vote again.
 - Are we able to know at the intergroup board meeting who votes for or against it? Yes.
 - Jim said he thought this has already been voted on at Intergroup. Are we just beating a dead horse here? Is this a traditions/concepts issue or is this a personal issue. Many feel this is a traditions issue.
 - Dave said many groups felt like there wasn't enough information prior to the spring assembly when it was voted on.
 - Angela asked why there are specific groups being included on the motion form. Can they be taken out?
 - Savannah said that the Evergreen group felt passionate about this issue and so did other groups within district 32. It's our responsibility to makes sure groups have all the information.
 - Gavin said it is important that we give our groups accurate and complete information since there has been a lot of misunderstanding. We should put our personal opinions aside when giving information to groups.
 - Aaron said we had a month to bring it to our groups. We need to bring to intergroup now.
 - Some still don't seem to have a clear understanding of all that happened. We need to make sure we all have accurate information.
 - Nic put it up for a vote again since there was so much discussion. 11 were for the motion, 2 opposed, 2 abstained. Motion passed.

Budget: Greg K.

- Our contributions this year have declined, but so have our expenses.

- We feel more comfortable as a district when we have extra money, but really we are right where we are supposed to be.
- Showed budget report to the district members.
- Should zoom come out of the treatment budget? Yes. Even if treatment runs out of money, their expenses will be paid for.
- We will no longer have monthly payments for our split since we do not have extra money to split right now. We can vote on doing a split later.
- Our monthly expenses are about 124 dollars.
- ***Greg proposed that we roll over the budget from last year. Budget approved.***

Treatment Proposed Pamphlets

- Linda made motion: ***District 32 agree that their treatment committee can use the attached Bridging the Gap - REQUEST pamphlet in their work with treatment centers and Bridging the Gap - VOLUNTEER pamphlet in communicating directly to members to sign-up for Twelve Step Work.*** Tony seconded.
- Changed the pamphlets to reflect online meetings. Also volunteer pamphlet includes opportunities for all areas of service.
- ***Motion passed!***

Online Literature Rack

- Greg is working on this, will be brought to the district soon. Troy to get involved as well. Ask Greg any questions.

Intergroup Closing

- GSIG will be closing. Only doing curbside service currently.

Aaron motioned to close, Greg seconded. Closed at 8:28 PM.