

GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY
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Meeting Minutes for February 17, 2019`

Only GSRs, DCMs, their alternates, Committee Chairs, Elected Officers and Past Delegates may make motions or vote, although everyone has the right to be heard. James S., Area 55 Chairperson, opened the meeting at 1:00 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer. Charlie H. read the Mission Statement. Kristine Z. read the 2nd Tradition, Linda N. read the 2nd Concept. Area 55 Panel 68 officers were introduced: Carrie C. – Mailing Secretary, Chris C.– Recording Secretary, Kimbrough P.– Registrar (Not Present), Kenney A.- Treasurer and Henry C.- Panel 68, Area 55 Delegate. Present were 25 GSRs, 6 Alternate GSRs, 6 DCMs, 3 Alternate DCMs, 3 Past Delegates, and the area webmaster. New GSRs, DCMs and Alternates are: Charlie H.- DCM, District 9; Lee J.-GSR, Eastside 12x12; Gary M.- GSR, Downtown Group; Patty B.- GSR, Wayne Group and Shelby W.- GSR, Swan Creek Noon. Past Delegates Ron S., Nancy M., and John C. introduced themselves. Intergroup Vice-Chairperson Tim D. introduced himself.

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Treasurer: Kenney A. / treasurer@area55aa.org

*In January, 7.41% or 23 of the 310 registered Groups in Area 55 made contributions. Year-to-date, 7.41% or 23 Groups contributed. **Is your Group Supporting Area 55 General Service?***

Kenney's report for January 2019 was as follows:

<u>12/31/2018 Checkbook Balance</u>	<u>\$8,292.21</u>
Income	\$1,158.90
Expenses	\$1,571.39
Total	\$7,879.72
1/31/19 Checkbook Balance	\$7,879.72
<u>12/31/2018 Prudent Reserve Balance</u>	<u>\$3,002.58</u>
Interest	<u>.05</u>
1/31/19 Prudent Reserve Balance	\$3,002.63
12/31/2018 Mini-Conference	\$1,637.95
Income	\$1,195.55
Expenses	\$0.00
1/31/19 Mini-Conference	\$2,837.50

Sherry S.-GSR, Reno Beach Sobriety made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Tim C.-GSR, Came to Believe. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE/LIAISON REPORTS

Archives: Nancy M. / archives.chair@area55aa.org

No meeting in January due to Central Office weather-related office closure. Deborah A. has been appointed Area Archivist. All commitments have been met. The committee is purchasing supplies to refurbish their displays and may use up to their \$100 monthly allotment. Receipts will be provided to the treasurer at the April assembly. Next committee meeting will be at 5:00pm at Central Office on 2/28/18. Respectfully Submitted, Nancy M., Chair.

Multi-District Correctional: Beth P. / corrections.chair@area55aa.org/

Beth P. gave the report. All commitments are currently fulfilled. The committee due to loss of a member is in need of men willing to fill commitments at this time. The county jail would like to start a meeting on Tuesdays at 6pm. The committee chair is meeting with the Lucas County jail to discuss all current commitments being met. Next committee meeting will be 2/19/2018 5:30pm @ Central Office. Respectfully submitted, Beth P., Multi-District Correctional Co-Chair.

CPC/PI: Bill F. / cpc.pi@area55aa.org

The meeting was held 1/16/19. The committee has received a save the date for Project Homeless connect for 5/8/19 from 9a-2pm. The committee attended in 2018 and was well received. The committee is working on contacting local treatment facilities and sober living houses regarding the continued issue of overcrowding in meetings. The committee was contacted by AA members in Tiffin regarding starting a satellite CPC/PI committee there. They will attend the next meeting on 2/20/19 to discuss further. Next meeting will be 2/20/19 5pm @ Central Office. Respectfully Submitted, Bill F., CPC/PI Chair.

Grapevine: James S. / grapevine.chair@area55aa.org /

The committee met on 2/17/18, @ Tim Horton's on Navarre. All commitments in January were met. They discussed all future commitments. Asking groups to consider purchasing Grapevine books to give away at their anniversaries. James received a Grapevine chair toolkit which he has felt has been an excellent tool to assist him in his work. Next committee meeting will be on 4/8/19 at 6pm at Tim Horton's in Oregon.

James presented a financial report for January 2019:

Beginning Balance: \$146.75, Expenses: \$164.00, Income: \$7.50, Ending Balance 1/31/19: \$(9.75)

A motion to approve was made by Deborah A.-DCM District 1, seconded by Bob T.-GSR Early Bird. The report was approved unanimously. Respectfully Submitted, James S., Grapevine Chair.

Group Services: Robert W. / groupser.chair@area55aa.org

No meeting was held due to scheduling conflicts. All commitments currently being met at this time. Next committee meeting will be 3/4/18 6pm at Frisch's on Woodville Rd. in Northwood. Respectfully Submitted Robert W., Group Services Chair.

Accessibilities: Ynda C. / accessibilities@area55aa.org /

Ynda C. presented two monthly reports. In January, two members were present. The committee decided that they will continue to meet 630pm on the 2nd Monday of the month, 630pm @ Central Office. The

February 2019 meeting had six members present including 3 new members. The committee discussed the mini conference in March. They updated the display with new member Matt A. agreed to set up the display. There was also a discussion of offering interpreter services for the deaf/hard of hearing AA community locally. The committee had requested insight regarding funding these services that needs discussed before offering these services. She also made a request for estimate for funds for cards and stamps at this time. The next meeting will be 3/11/2018, 630pm at Central Office. Respectfully submitted, Ynda C., Accessibilities Chair.

Website: Jennifer H./ web.comm.chair@area55aa.org

Jennifer H. presented the report. They announced they are looking for committee members at this time. They will have a March meeting at this time. The committee developed a feedback survey. They are going to be attending and displaying the site at the mini conference. They are working to categorize meeting by district with help from the DCMs. They announced they will purchase materials for the table for the mini-conference. The average user is accessing eight pages per visit. All dates for events are entered by the site as received, as long as the info is received. Next meeting will be 3/17/19 at 10am at Black Kite Coffee in Toledo. Respectfully submitted, Jennifer H., Website Chairperson

Intergroup Liaison: Betsy G.

No report since the Intergroup meeting was not held at the time of the assembly. The next meeting will be 3/23/2019 6:30pm at Faith Lutheran Church.

Newsletter Liaison: Tarek K.

The topics for the next 3 months are: April-Sobriety House Cleaning; May-May You Find Serenity; June is Tough Beginnings. They are working to set topics for the rest of 2019. Their only current commitment is the area mini-conference, Respectfully Submitted, Tarek K.

NOCYPAA Liaison: Eddie K.

No Report

MONCYPAA Liaison: Logan T.

No report.

DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEMBER ("DCM") REPORTS

DCM Chair: John C.

John C. provided the report. Ten districts were represented at the meeting. There will be a 13th table discussing the service structure of AA. This will take place at Unity Day July 6, 2019 at First United Methodist in Bowling Green, OH. DCMs will man the district table at the mini-conference. District 11 is scheduling a workshop in October. District 7's workshop will be February 23, 2019 at St. Richard's in Swanton. Respectfully submitted, John C., DCMC

District 1: Deborah A.

Chris L., Alt. DCM, gave the report. Currently working on getting to groups for participation within the assembly and the district. They were invited to a group conscience to provide further information on what is being performed. Respectfully Submitted, Chris L., Alt DCM, District 1

District 3: Dave G.

Dave G. provided the report. The district met 2/15/19. The alternate DCM conducted the meeting. They are looking at June 8 or June 22 for their district 3 picnic. They will have a final date at the April Assembly. They have a new secretary for the district at this time. Next meeting will be 3/11/19 prior to the Living Sober meeting. Respectfully Submitted, Dave G., DCM District 3.

District 2/4: Betsy G./Tim D.

Tim D., DCM for District 4, gave their report. The meeting was held 2/13/19. Tim reviewed the district treasury. The group discussed the Monroe area workshop and its overall success. They discussed several changes in districts as well as the upcoming district 7 workshop. The district discussed upcoming events in their district including the Kenwood group anniversary. Their next meeting will be 4/10/19 7pm @ Faith United Lutheran Church. Respectfully submitted, Tim D., District 4 DCM.

District 7: Mike M.

Mike M. gave a report. They reviewed the district's treasury balance. He has visited several group consciences that he was invited to. He also outlined the district workshop being held 2/23/19 in Swanton at St Richard's. The next meeting will be held 2/21/19 6pm @ St. Richard's Catholic Church. Respectfully Submitted, Mike M., District 7 DCM

District 8: Kimberli A.

Kimberli A., DCM, provided the report. The next meeting will be held at Way Public Library in Perrysburg. They will be discussing items including the mini conference lunch on Saturday. Next meeting will be 2/21/19 630pm at Way Public Library in Perrysburg, Respectfully submitted, Kimberli A., DCM District 8.

District 10: John E.

Hannah S., District 10 Secretary presented their report. They have met the last two months. They are working on the beginnings of a workshop regarding meeting etiquette and our primary purpose. Next meeting will be 3/9/19 1130am @ St. Paul's Episcopal in Fremont. Respectfully Submitted, Hannah S., GSR Gibsonburg Solutions.

District 11: Ron S.

Ron S., DCM provided the report. They had a discussion regarding the mini conference and suggested doing it as Saturday/Sunday due to participant's work schedules. Kristen and Mary Beth made contacts on behalf of CPC/CI within the community. Pamphlets have been ordered and the district decided they will fund the replenishment of these at the library. They are discontinuing the picnic in favor of an October workshop. Next meeting will be held 3/14/19 630pm at St. John's Church in Tiffin. Respectfully submitted in writing Ron S., District 11 DCM.

District 14: Chrissy M.

Chrissy M., DCM presented the report. They have moved the meeting to the 2nd Thursday of the month. She broke down on behalf of the treasurer and they contributed \$100 to GSO and \$100 to Area 55. She has reviewed the meeting updates of their status. They are working on getting a meeting for women at the county jail. Several women have wanted to get involved in corrections work. The paper has dropped their listings at this time. They are discussing a workshop perhaps in May due to time constraints to plan one in April. The next district meeting will be held 3/14/19 at 6:30pm at 1606 W. Elm St, Lima OH. Respectfully submitted, Chrissy M., District 14 Alt. DCM.

District 16: Damion T.

No report

DELEGATE'S REPORT: Henry C. / delegate@area55aa.org

Henry C. presented his report as Delegate for Panel 68. Henry started discussing his trip to the Delegate's Past/Present. They were able to correct the East Central Regional Conference as well as the Ohio State Convention in 2021 in Area 55. He also discussed the process of reports throughout the region as well as GSO currently. Henry mentioned whom would assist in our floor manager's passing as well as his place on the CPC/PI committee. We are offering registration at the assembly for the Mini Conference. There was approximately 17 banquets, with a final count due one week prior. There were at the point of the assembly 71 paid registrations, \$571.20 in scholarships, \$486.30 in hospitality. They are anticipating approximately 200 registrations for the mini conference. The committee met on 2/16/19 and selected the agenda items for each committee for the conference. He hoped to have agenda items to all chairs, co-chairs and advisors by 2/20/19. The final draft of the program was approved and the program will be posted on area55aa.org. Service manuals were ordered for 96 regular print and 48 large print service manuals. These cost of \$45 including shipping. This was a great savings from the \$175 initially estimated. The ECR Forum will be in Detroit in July. The ECR Conference will be in Milwaukee, WI October 18-20 which Jim and Henry will attend both. There will be no assembly in March and the next assembly will be April 14, 2019 due to Easter. He also mentioned the sharing session after the assembly. Respectfully submitted, Henry C., Panel 68, Area 55 Delegate. Alternate Chair-Finance Committee.

OLD BUSINESS

Jim S. requested a motion to have \$69.75 to the mini conference funds to the hospitality/scholarship fund. Sheryl D. requested said motion. Seconded by Kimberli A. Motion carried no opposition.

There was mention of bringing back changing the assembly time however it was asked to be brought back to change the DCM meeting to 1030am and the General Service Assembly will be discussed in April 2019.

NEW BUSINESS

Tim D., requested a motion to be reimbursed for \$37.50 for pamphlets for the Monroe Workshop. Sherry S. made a motion to pay the \$37.50 for the pamphlets. Seconded by Bill F., CPC/PI chair. Approved unanimously.

Motion to adjourn was made by Bill F., seconded by Wendy S. Motion carried. **Meeting adjourned at 2:25 PM, closing with the Responsibility Statement.**

Next GSR Assembly Meeting will be held on April 14, 2019 at 1:00 PM at the Senior Center. Clean up for April will be District 2/4. Tradition 3 and 4 will be Kristine Z.-GSR, Perrysburg Staying Sober, Concept 3 will be Betsey G., Concept 4 will be Sherry S.

Respectfully Submitted,
Chris C., Recording Secretary Panel 68, Area 55, NW Ohio/SE Michigan