

GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY
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Meeting Minutes for June 23, 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. Deb C. read the Mission Statement. Sherry S. read the 6th Tradition, Wendy H. read the 6th Concept. Area 55 Panel 68 officers were introduced: Carrie C. – Mailing Secretary, Chris C.– Recording Secretary, Kimbrough P.– Registrar, Kenney A.- Treasurer and Henry C.- Panel 68, Area 55 Delegate. Present were 26 GSRs, 7 Alternate GSRs, 5 DCMs, 3 Alternate DCMs and 1 Past Delegate. New GSRs, DCMs and Alternates are: Mary Beth D.-GSR, Warm Heart Serenity; Jacob J.-DCM, District 16; Sarah T.-Alt. GSR, Reno Beach Sobriety and Alison V.-GSR, MONCYPAA. Past Delegate John C. introduced himself. Intergroup Vice-Chairperson Tim D. introduced himself.

Recording Secretary: Chris C. / recording.secretary@area55aa.org

Please note: Committee meeting minutes may also be submitted electronically by e-mail to Recording.Secretary@area55aa.org. Reports need to be submitted by or on the day of the Area Assembly for the mailing to be completed on time. Thank You! Chris C. presented the May 2019 Assembly Minutes. One correction noted. George C.-GSR, Live and Let Live, made a motion to accept. Marty C.-GSR, New Hope, seconded the motion. Motion carried with no opposition.

Treasurer: Kenney A. / treasurer@area55aa.org

*In May, **7.10%** or 22 of the 310 registered Groups in Area 55 made contributions. Year-to-date, **20.64%** or 64 Groups contributed. **Is your Group Supporting Area 55 General Service?***

Kenney's report for May 2019 is as follows:

May 2019: Beginning Balance as of 04/30/2019: \$6,956.89, Income \$1,119.26, Expenses \$1,752.51, Ending Balance 5/31/19: \$6,323.64.

Prudent Reserve: Beginning Balance 04/30/2019: \$3,002.73, Interest \$0.05, Ending Balance \$3,002.78

Mini Conference: Opening Balance \$2,000.00, Ending Balance \$2,000.00

Sherry S. -Alt. DCM, District 3 made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Vern M.-GSR, SST. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE/LIAISON REPORTS

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

Chris C. read the report. The committee had one workday in May. They had met all their monthly commitments. They discussed whom would attend the Archives Workshop in Detroit this September. They are working on an outline for what should be said at anniversaries. Next committee meeting will be at 5:00pm at Central Office on 6/27/19. Respectfully Submitted, Nancy M., Chair.

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

No report. Next committee meeting will be 7/16/2019 5:30pm @ Central Office.

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

Bill F. provided the report. The committee discussed Unity Day as well as taking meeting to the Oakwood Correctional facility in Allen County. They did attend one event at Vistula Manor in the previous month. Bill thanked Dave F. for stepping in while he was hospitalized and recovering. Next meeting will be 7/17/19 5pm @ Central Office. Respectfully Submitted, Bill F., Chair.

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

James S. provided the report. All committee members attended the June meeting. They discussed the next 4 commitments in June and July. Wendy H. completed the inventory for an upcoming book order. They donated 50 traditions checklists for Unity Day and intend to donate an additional 50. Next committee meeting will be on 7/8/19 at 6pm at Tim Horton's in Oregon.

James presented a financial report for May 2019:

Beginning Balance: \$222.75, Expenses: \$0.00, Income: \$95.00, Ending Balance 5/30/19: \$319.00

John C.-DCMC made a motion to approve, seconded by Tarek K.-GSR, Starlight. Motion carried unanimously. Respectfully Submitted, James S., Grapevine Chair.

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

The committee met via teleconference due to work commitments. All future responsibilities were covered for June. There was a request to the recording secretary to have a flyer created, which were made available for the June Assembly. Next committee meeting will be 7/1/19 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 the report. The shut-in list has been updated due to one person passing. The committee sent Father's Day cards in June. They are continuing to work on a plan to present to the assembly regarding ASL Interpretation of meetings. Several factors are being considered by the committee prior to a full plan being presented to the assembly. They did visit the Brain Guys AA meeting. They ask that the shut-in list be kept confidential within the group conscience.

The committee's beginning balance was \$129.75. There were no expenses so the balance remained at \$129.75. Due to no funds being used, no motion to approve was necessary.

The next meeting will be 7/8/2019, 630pm at Central Office. Respectfully submitted, Ynda C., Accessibilities Co-Chair.

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

Jennifer advised the committee attempted to meet on 6/23/19. One guest and herself were at the meeting. They are looking for anyone willing to review content for the site to assist the committee. Next meeting will be 7/28/19 at 10am at Black Kite Coffee in Toledo. Respectfully submitted, Jennifer H., Web Committee Chair

Intergroup Liaison: Betsy G.

Betsy G. provided the report. No committee meetings were held in June and July for the Anniversary and Children's Christmas Party committee. The Intergroup Picnic will be Aug 4, 2019 at Walbridge Park, 12-4pm. The annual Pig Roast was cancelled due to lack of committee members and lack of ticket sales. No report from the hospital committee. The newsletter committee is currently looking to start training a vice-chair candidate for 2020. They also created a flyer for topics for the remaining portion of 2019. They are also looking to find cheaper ink for a printer they were provided. The next meeting will be 7/27/2019 6:30pm at Faith Lutheran Church. Respectfully Submitted, Betsy G., Intergroup Liaison.

Newsletter Liaison: Tarek K.

Tarek K. provided a report. They have gone ahead and printed a flyer with the remaining topics of 2019. They are also working to finding a vice chair to start training on Microsoft publisher for the 2020 year. Next meeting will be 7/10/19 530pm @ Central Office. Respectfully Submitted, Tarek K., Newsletter Liaison

NOCYPAA Liaison: Eddie K.

No report

MONCYPAA Liaison: Logan T.

Allison V, MONCYPAA Member at Large, presented the report. They have currently adopted bylaws for their bid committee. They are co-hosting events including Camp Unity 4 in Oakland County. They have obtained all rooms in their bid package with Splash Universe. They are also doing outreach in Iowa over the 4th of July weekend. Their next meeting is 7/9/19 845pm at Tim Horton's on Monroe St, in Monroe, MI, they meet every Tuesday.

DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEMBER ("DCM") REPORTS

DCM Chair: John C.

John C. presented the DCMC report. He focused on the upcoming Unity Day on July 6 in Bowling Green, OH. He gave a breakdown of the day and that the schedule is in process. He invited all to this free event to be held that day at First United Methodist Church on Wooster St. The next meeting will be 7/28/2019 1130am @ the Senior Center prior to the Area Assembly. Respectfully submitted, John C., DCMC.

The remaining district reports were suspended due to our delegate presenting his General Service Conference Report, however the highlights from the DCM meeting are below.

District 1: Deborah A.

Deborah thanked the other DCMs, they are continuing to work with groups within the district to bring those together at this time. No other information reported. Respectfully submitted, Deborah A., DCM District 1.

District 3: Dave G.

Sherry S. provided the report. The district picnic at Reno Beach was a huge success. They are not presently planning a workshop for the fall at this time. Their next meeting will be 7/20/19 before the Renewed Life meeting. Respectfully Submitted, Sherry S., Alternate DCM District 3.

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

Tim D., DCM for District 4, gave their report. The districts will be holding a workshop on Feb. 1, 2020. Further details are forthcoming, however they are looking for suggestions for topics for their workshop. The concerns at New Hope and Open Minded have been resolved. Open Minded will be holding their summer picnic July 21 at Powertrain Park. They also addressed how to get new people in sobriety involved further. Their next meeting will be 6/19/19 7pm @ Faith United Lutheran Church. Respectfully submitted, Tim D., District 4 DCM.

District 7: Mike M.

Mike M. gave a report. Their picnic will be Aug. 17, 2019. Linda N. from District 4 will be the lead for the picnic. It will be at Secor Metropark. Swanton Thursday Night will have their summer picnic 6/27/19. Next meeting will be at Central Office 7/18/19 6pm. Respectfully Submitted, Mike M., District 7 DCM

District 8: Kimberli A.

No report, however they will be having a district meeting on July 18, 7pm @ Way Public Library.

District 10: John E.

There was no June district meeting, There will be no July district meeting. They thanked everyone for their assistance and support of their 1st workshop. They requested a visit by the District 8 DCM to the Pemberville meeting. Chris C. said he'd arrange a visit to the meeting within District 8 that had requested a meeting. Next meeting will be 8/10/19 1130am, St Paul's Episcopal Church in Fremont. Respectfully Submitted, John E., DCM District 10.

District 14: Chrissy M.

Chrissy M., DCM presented the report. The district had their meeting on 6/13/19. Groups are doing well at this time. There has been a new meeting started for LGBT Alcoholics. They are working to get into the Worth Center currently. They are attending a recovery fair at Allen Correction in September. The next district meeting will be 7/11/19 at 6:30pm at 1606 W. Elm St, Lima OH. Respectfully submitted, Chrissy M., District 14 DCM.

District 16: Jacob J.

Jacob reported on the success of the District 10/16 workshop. He said that the workshop went well and thanked everyone whom attended, presented and willing to assist. He said that they have groups sending GSRs to district meetings. They have now elected an alternate DCM as well, their next meeting will be 6/25/19 630pm @ Oak Harbor Public Library. Respectfully Submitted, Jacob J., District 16 DCM.

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

Henry C., Panel 68, Area 55 delegate, presented a brief report at the assembly. Henry mentioned registration for the East Central Regional Forum is open at aa.org. It will be at the Sheraton at Detroit Metro Airport on July 12-14, 2019. Numerous staff members, trustees, the GSO Office Manager as well as the new Class A Treasurer for GSO will provide their 1st presentation. There is a new book available via AAWS. It's title is Our Great Responsibility. This consists of Bill W.'s talks to the General Service Conference from 1951-1970 and is \$8.00 per copy. He mentioned that we will have presenters on all 4 panels at The 63rd Ohio State Convention in Cincinnati. This will be August 16-18, 2019. He has asked anyone whom is able to register to come down and help support The Ohio State Convention. There will also be the National Archives Workshop, Sept. 5-8, 2019 in Detroit, MI. Henry then presented the General Service Conference report. Due to the length of the information in the report it will be available on area55aa.org. After fielding questions, Henry thanked the body for their support.

Respectfully submitted, Henry C., Panel 68, Area 55 Delegate. Alternate Chair-Finance Committee.

OLD BUSINESS

Jim S. requested a motion to decide where \$62.10 from the monthly assembly basket to be sent. Sherry S. made a motion to send to GSO. Seconded by Wendy H.-GSR, Oregon Time for Us. Motion carried no opposition.

It was mentioned due to Area 55 participation to please if you can register and support The Ohio State Convention in Cincinnati Aug. 16-18, 2019.

NEW BUSINESS

Tim D. requested to please request support of the finance committee bringing literature to the assembly. He also mentioned literature can be order in advance via Central Office and picked up at the assembly.

The Intergroup association is also looking to see how to make events viable and interesting to the fellowship even if changes need to be made.

Motion to adjourn was made by John C., seconded by Marty C. Motion carried. **Meeting adjourned at 2:25 PM, closing with the Responsibility Statement.**

Next GSR Assembly Meeting will be held on July 28 2019 at 1:00 PM at the Senior Center. Clean up for July will be District 4. Tradition 7 will be John C., Concept 7 will be Karen W.

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