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GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY

Area 55, Panel 74 NW Ohio & Southeast Michigan
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Only GSRs, DCMs, (GSR/DCM Alternates may make motions and vote in their absence), Committee Chairs, Elected Officers and Past Delegates may make motions or vote, although everyone has the right to be heard. Business conducted normally requires substantial unanimity to pass (2/3 vote on most items).

This meeting was held at the Senior Center; 2308 Jefferson; Toledo, OH 43604. 57 people were present including 4 Panel Officers, 4 Past Delegates, 18 GSRs, 6 Alternate GSRs, 4 DCMs, 10 Area 55 Committee Chairs/Co-Chairs, 5 guest(s).

MEETING MINUTES FOR JULY 21, 2024

Josh D, Delegate, Area 55, Panel 74, opened the meeting at 1:00 p.m. followed by the Serenity Prayer. The Mission Statement was read by Jim S, Past Delegate, Area 55, Panel ; Dalan S, Tuesday Night Young People, read Tradition 7; Karlotta H, East Side 12x12, read Concept 7. Panel 74 officers were introduced.

New GSRs/Alternate GSRs: Jan M, Alt GSR, Monday Maumee Noon; Jenny K, Alt GSR, Living Sober;

New DCMs/Alternate DCMs: Jim S, Acting DCMC, Reno Beach Alt. GSR; Jeff C, SST Group.

Past Delegates: Sherry S, Past Delegate, Area 55, Panel 72; Henry C, Past Delegate, Area 55, Panel 68; John C, Past Delegate, Area 55, Panel 66; Jim S, Past Delegate, Area 55, Panel 70.

Approval of June minutes: Recording Secretary Report was suspended.

Please note: Committee meeting minutes and District reports 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.

Approval of June 2024, Treasurer's Report: Michael D, Treasurer, presented the Financial Report for June 2024.

Operating Account: Beginning Balance: 06/01/2024: \$8,526.45; Income: \$4,536.80; Expenses: \$1,604.74; Ending Balance: 06/30/2024: \$11,458.51.

Prudent Reserve: Beginning Balance: 06/01/2024: \$5,006.44; Interest: \$0.12; Ending Balance: 06/30/2024: \$5,005.56.

Area 55 Mini Conference: Beginning Balance: 05/01/2024: \$4,644.99; Income: \$0.00; Expenses: \$2,644.99. Ending Balance: 05/31/2024 \$2,000.00.

Group Contributions for YTD. 2024: \$1,623.81

Total Income Received YTD. 2024: \$

Total Expenses YTD.: \$

Assembly Basket: \$ 68.00

Individual Contributions: \$1,288.81.00

Motion to accept the financial report made by: Herman A, Jr., GSR, Raising the Bottom. Seconded by Teri J, GSR, Trail Group, Approved with correction unanimously.

Motion was made to suspend payment to webmaster until duties regarding the website are performed. Made by Chris C, Area 55, Panel 74 Registrar; seconded by Sherry S, Area 55, Panel 72 Past Delegate. Motion approved unanimously.

Josh D read the resignation letter from Kimbrough P. Per the service manual reading, Josh will serve as the delegate for the remaining portion of her term as well as into the next panel, Panel 76. We will have a special election in August for the Alternate Delegate/Area Chairperson for panel 74. Then we will elect another Alternate Delegate/Area Chairperson for panel 76.

There was a request for a motion to suspend the business of committee reports/liaison reports for the Assembly for the Delegate report from Warren G., Area 56, Panel 74. Tim D, web committee chairperson made a motion to suspend the order of business, Henry C, Past Delegate, Area 55, Panel 68 seconded the motion. It was approved unanimously. However, all committee reports were requested to be sent electronically to the recording secretary to be included in the July minutes.

Warren G, Area 56, Panel 74 Delegate, presented a PowerPoint presentation regarding the 2024 General Service Conference. Full details can be found on area55aa.org.

Archives: Melissa T / archives.chair@area55aa.org

New Business: July report suspended.

Next meeting: Thursday, August 22, 2024, 6:30 p.m. Central Office.

The Archives Committee meets the 4th Thursday of each month, 6:00 p.m., at Central Office.

Area Archivist: Melanie R

The Archives Committee meets the 3rd Monday of each month, 6:00 p.m., at Central Office.

Multi-District Correctional: Geneva MG / corrections.chair@area55aa.org

New Business: July report suspended.

Next meeting: July 17, 2024, 6:30 p.m. at Central Office

The Multi-District Correctional Committee has changed their meeting time. The Committee will now meet the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Central Office; the Committee may meet at an alternate location – for more information, visit area55aa.org.

CPC/PI: Bev Z / cpc.pi@area55aa.org

July report suspended.

Next meeting July 11, 2024, 6:00 p.m. at Central Office

The CPC/PI Committee meets the 2nd Thursday of each month, 6:30 p.m., at Central Office

Grapevine: Scott L / grapevine.chair@area55aa.org

July report suspended.

Next meeting: August 14, 2024, at 5:45 p.m., Memorial United Church of Christ

The Grapevine Committee meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month, 5:45 p.m., Memorial United Church of Christ, 1301 Starr Ave.

Group Services: Dalan S / groupservices@area55aa.org

Group services met on July 21st at noon. Present were committee chair Dalan smith and Kenney Alexander.

Kenney Alexander took the equipment to Amazing Grace's annual picnic.

Group services meets on the third Sunday of each month at noon at the senior center, one hour prior to the general service assembly.

Next meeting: August 18, 2024, 12:00 p.m., at Senior Center

The Group Services Committee meets the third Sunday of each month at 12:00 p.m. at the Senior Center, 2308 Jefferson Ave. Toledo

Accessibilities: Jackie B / accessibilities@area55.org

July report suspended.

Next meeting: August 21, 2024, 6:00 p.m. at Central Office

The Accessibilities Committee meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month, 5:30 p.m. Memorial United Church of Christ, 1301 Starr Ave. Toledo

Website: Tim D / website@area55aa.org

Minutes from July 10, 2024

Present: Chris C, Area 55 Registrar; Tim D, Committee Chair; Josh D, Area 55 Alternate Delegate.

New Business: Discussed putting access to meetings outside of Area 55 on website. Noted that meetings in Area 55 end at 9-10pm each night with no meetings until early morning, 6-7am Sites such as 319 AA Group, 1111 Candlelight meeting. Decide to list access to meeting guide, online Intergroup Association, and so on. Reviewed the election/voting process on hybrid meetings of the Assembly. Discussed developing a flier on website encouraging use of the website for announcements, etc. Discussed the usage reports for being able to see who and how much the website is being used. Discussed use of WhatsApp, GroupMe, or other communications tools for maintaining connections between Panel, DCM's, etc. Discussed maintaining contact with Centra Office for committee meeting times and access.

Next meeting: August 14, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. on Zoom

The Website Committee meets the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. on Zoom. Meeting I.D. 595-694-351 password 800

Northwest Ohio/Southeast Michigan Intergroup Liaison: No report

Newsletter Liaison: No report

NOCYPAA: July report suspended.

MONCYPAA Liaison: No report

DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEMBER (“DCM”) REPORTS

DCMC Chair: Jim S

Alt. DCMC:, Alt. District Committee Member Chair

DCM Meeting: Next meeting August 18, 2024 at 11:30AM at the Senior Center.

District 1: Chris J, spoke about maybe asking other groups that are close in his area to see if they want to be moved to his district. There isn't a lot of participation.

District 3: Kellie S

August 25th Open Minded Summer Picnic Wildwood MetroPark- 12 to 3 August 27th Young People's Anniversary Doors open at 6:30PM Planning District 3 workshop on the pamphlet Circles of Love on October 12. Next District 3 meeting is July 24 at Faith United Lutheran Church at 7:30 PM.

District 5: Karlotta H,

District picnic on August 10 at St Lukes Lutheran Church in Curtice Oh from 1-5. District 5 workshop September 14th 1:30 to 4:30 pm Oregon Municipal Building Next district meeting is 8/2 at Echo Meadows Church of Christ at 6:30PM.

District 8: Larry B

Next district meeting August 4th at 2:00pm at the Alano Club in Wauseon.

Chris C discussed testing the email addresses to get ready for the GSA minutes and announcements to go digital. Discussed Unity Day—suggestions to bring 1 person. Discussed food and agenda.

DCM Monthly Report: Next meeting: July 21, 2024, 11:00 a.m.

The District Committee Meeting meets at the Senior Center prior to the General Assembly Meeting at 11:30 a.m.

DELEGATE'S REPORT: Kimbrough P / delegate@area55aa.org

Will be giving a full report on the General Service Conference in New York next month. It was a very spiritual experience. Visited the General Service Office. We are looking for a DCMC and alternate, so please take that home to our groups. They will need to be elected at GSA.

OLD BUSINESS

Collection: \$61. Motion made by Larry B, District 8, and seconded by Henry C, Past Delegate, Area 55, Panel 68, to send \$61 to the General Service Office. Motion passed.

Area 55 Guidelines Ad Hoc Committee was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

Jim S will be acting DCMC. Sherry S will be co-chair of the 2025 Ohio State Convention. Ad-Hoc Guidelines committee is being dissolved. Updated copies of the guidelines will be made available at the August Assembly. New Alternate Delegate/Area Chair will be elected at the August 2024 Assembly. Josh read the qualifications from our area guidelines regarding what is required: 3-5 years in sobriety, experience in Area affairs, working knowledge of the steps, traditions, and concepts. Old guidelines version.

NEXT GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY: July 21, 2024, 1:00 p.m. the Senior Center (corner of Jefferson Street and 23rd Street; Toledo, OH)

The Mission statement will be read by Panel Member
Tradition 8 will be read by Panel Member
Concept 8 will be read by Panel Member
Cleanup for the August meeting will be NOCYPAA

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by: Tim D, Web Committee Chair

Seconded by: Teri J, GSR, Trail Group

Closed with "Declaration of Unity" and "The Responsibility Statement"

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley L

Recording Secretary, Area 55, Panel 74