

District 61 AA Business Meeting Minutes

September 1st, 2016

The July District 61 A.A. Business Meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer, followed by a reading of the Twelve Traditions by Shawn. There were 17 G.S.R.'s present representing district groups, and 12 committee members / chairs present.

The calendar and meeting minutes were approved with minor amendments.

Concept 9 was read by Derek A. . . Concept 10 will be by Peg F. presented on **Oct 6th**

Please note this was an Election Meeting. A motion was made to conduct the Election Portion first and use whatever remaining time we had for regular District Meeting Business. Motion passed. Election Portion ended at 7:15. You will notice some more than usual absent Committee Chair reports, there was not time to present the reports and you should look for them next month.

Archives: Claudia B.

No report presented

Attitude Of Gratitude: Laurie C.

The committee met August 25 at 7:00.

We now have a volunteer from Al-Anon and welcome Robyn M.

Details and fliers have been finalized and should be available tonight. Thank you, Carol.

Arranged for taping of the speakers and the Old Timer's Meeting. Thank you, Tim.

We still need volunteers to chair workshops and marathon meetings. If interested, talk to Terry S. Also still asking for donations for hospitality room. Dale K. and Tim Q. are collecting items for the raffle.

Next meeting is September 22, 2016 at 7:00 at the First Baptist Church.

Thanks for letting me serve.

Laurie

Bridging the Gap: Patricia H.

The disease of alcoholism is alive & well. I sadly report that my BTG counterpart in Butte that does the presentation with me at WATCH has been out on a runner. I talked to him this afternoon and he is back with 5 days sober. As a result he will not be able to go into the correctional facilities. There is a temporary fill in set up for now. Butte's District Meeting is the 2nd Tuesday of the month at that time more will unfold.

I am staying in contact with Butte/Anaconda to make sure nothing falls through the Cracks in the meantime.

On a good note it has been another successful month. I have received forms from WATCH, Connections Corrections and Elkhorn Treatment Center. All information has been passed on to the proper Districts.

I am reminded that all I have is a daily reprieve CONTINGENT on my fit spiritual condition. I am so grateful for my sobriety and thank you for letting me serve.

Patricia

Corrections: Shawn N.

Lewis & Clark Men's

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Haven't been able to get in. Only able to hold one meeting since March.

Lewis & Clark Women's

Haven't been able to get into the jail for the past 3 weeks – jail is bursting at the seams

Boulder

Things are well, but could use another volunteer or two **Townsend** No report

Pre-Release

Out of town. All is well and no missed meetings. Do need volunteers.

M.S.P.

Meetings have been good. Had largest meeting since Gary has been taking meetings into the jail. Prison conference has 6 approved folks to go in. The date is September 14th. Could use more volunteers.

P & P

No report, though Bill will try to call Mike. **BTG** Presentations back at Connection Corrections

Volunteer Approvals

Colleen was unanimously approved by the committee

Old Business

Committee is still looking for a Co-Chair

New Business

- Colleen is a new volunteer. She told the committee about herself.
- Elections are next month and committee members are encouraged to run and/or recruit prospective candidates

District Report

- Elections are in September, and as with the corrections committee, members are encouraged to run/and or recruit candidates. Shawn circulated the district budget.

As always, we welcome any and all A.A. members to attend our meetings. Meetings are held at the Wilson House at 5:30pm on the third Monday of each month.

The next Corrections Committee meeting will be held on September 19, 2016

Cooperation with the Professional Community: Derek A.

No report presented

Grapevine: Vacant

Literature Store: Karla F.

As of August 31, the book store took in \$109.00. Yes, it is summer, yes everyone is out fishing or water skiing and yes everyone is just plain out having fun...BUT the good news is Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas is right around the corner so get your sponsee, sponsor gift soon..

The utility bill for the months was 33.92.

We seem to have lot of guests in the Lit store though...So we are being of service, and coffee is being served...

Thank you for letting me serve, karla flanders

Public Information/Answering Service- Ken D.

No report presented

Treatment: Carly G.

No report

Workshops: Gerry R.

It was another slow month in August, but I do anticipate getting at least one more workshop in before I rotate on from this position.

Last month I was asked about having another post Assembly info dump workshop after Fall Assembly, but I'm not sure there will be that much information for chairs to share about. Outside of two or three minor Area items, and the elections, there are only review and report items on the Area agenda. If you haven't seen a copy yet, go to aamontana.org and it's posted there.

I might still try to get that Three Legacies workshop set up for late October or early November. It will be good for those who are newly elected to attend. All you old hands can come too. I'll let you know at the next district meeting.

I hope everyone has plans for standing for a position either tonight, at Area Assembly, or in your Home Group. Trusted servants are a rare commodity and the more people who are willing to serve, the better we are at carrying the message.

What a joy to be sober today – What a privilege to be of service. Thank you for both.

Gerry R.

District Committee Member (DCM) Rebecca S.

Greetings all.

This month, let's do something different from the usual report.

Tradition Nine: AA, as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.

1. Do I still try to boss things in AA?
2. Do I resist formal aspects of AA because I fear them as authoritative?
3. Am I mature enough to understand and use all elements of the AA program—even if no one makes me do so—with a sense of personal responsibility?
4. Do I exercise patience and humility in any AA job I take?
5. Am I aware of all those to whom I am responsible in any AA job?
6. Why doesn't every AA group need a constitution and bylaws?
7. Have I learned to step out of an AA job gracefully—and profit thereby—when the time comes?
8. What has rotation to do with anonymity? With humility?

Thank-you to everyone who serve on this rotation and to all those that will serve on the next.

Thank-you for letting me serve.

Rebecca

Treasurer Report: Eric G.

Report attached to email

Questions for committee members:**Group Reports and Announcements:****Old Business:**

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New Business:

Rebecca S. conducted the D61 Elections and here are the results.

All terms are for the next Rotation 2017-2019

DCM- Carol W.

Alt DCM – Shawn N.

Treasurer- Open

Secretary- Eric G.

Archives- Open

Bridging the Gap- Angie from Free for Lunch (I think)

Corrections- Open

Cooperation w/ the Professional Community (CPC)- Open

Grapevine- Open

Literature Store- Open

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Public Information – Joe P.
Treatment- Open
Workshops- Open

The **September 1st** District meeting closed with the Responsibility Statement @ **7:30**pm.

Respectfully submitted by Bryan Sharp for the **Sept 1st** District 61 Business Meeting.