

## District 61 AA Business Meeting Minutes

August 1, 2024

Opening: The August 1, 2024 District 61 AA Business Meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer, followed by roll call and the reading of the Twelve Traditions by a trusted servant. There were 14 GSRs present representing district groups, and 11 committee members/chairs present. (1 on Zoom)

Concept: Concept 8 was read by Krissy.

7th Tradition was collected for in person participants and Venmo information was provided for those online.

Calendar: The calendar was reviewed and approved. Meeting minutes were reviewed and approved for the July 2024 meeting.

### **REPORTS:**

#### **Treasurer Report:**

Hello District 61 members. Here is the July recap for the District:  
Income for last month totaled \$1,148.00.

Breakdown is as follows:

- 7th Tradition \$148.00
- Literature Sales \$0
- Group Contributions \$500.00
- Transfer from District Roundup Acct 2018 \$500.00

Our expenses totaled \$809.13. Breakdown is:

- Literature Store - Power \$63.53
- Literature Store - Rent \$185.00
- Church Rent \$50.00
- Literature Purchase \$10.60
- 2025 Roundup Hotel Deposit \$500.00

With these transactions, our checking account balance is \$1,510.43 and our prudent reserve is \$948.67 – for a total of \$2,459.10 in District funds. Pink Can account is \$31.00.

Thank you for allowing me to serve and for your service.

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**DCM**

Heeeeyyyyyy!!!!

I don't really have anything to report for this month. I haven't received any information yet on booking our hotel rooms at assembly yet but I will send it out as soon as I get it. But make sure you have the dates on your calendar September 13-15 in Great Falls at the Holiday Inn. And also be thinking about locking yourself into some service at the district level when we hold elections this fall!

Love Krissy!

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **Archives:**

No real activity but some document cleaning up in progress. After receiving a request from the 2025 Round Up Committee for past minutes I realized we have no minutes in Archives for D61 Meetings or Committees for 2020, 2021 and 2022.

Bryan S., D61 Archives Chair

#### **Bridging the Gap**

It's been a busy month with 4 inquiries from MCDC and 2 from prison. I received the name tags from National for the Bridging the Gap conference, which makes it very real that it is just around the corner. I'm blessed to have a giving community as many have stepped up to help out. Always room for more so please announce at your meetings that there are service opportunities. It's in Missoula, Sept 6-8. The flyer and registration is on the AA events calendar. I will be meeting hoping this month with flyers and service sign-up sheets.

Thanks for letting me serve, Kari

#### **Corrections**

Good evening district 61. This is your July corrections report. Not much has changed since our last meeting. Next week We will have our corrections meeting Monday so I haven't really had a chance to talk to people yet. I did get a new volunteer for the jail, which is awesome. I also got a couple cases of big books in so I will be distributing those.

Thank you for letting me serve, Jamey C.

#### **CPC**

Committee did not meet this month. There is nothing new to report.

Thanks for letting me serve.

Deborah

#### **Grapevine:**

It's been a busy, hot, smoky summer, but thankfully the Grapevine app can go anywhere my phone goes!

There are five books on order for the bookstore. Three Emotional Sobriety, and 2 Emotional Sobriety II.

The Grapefest is still 1 - 5ish on Saturday September 28th at the Wilson house. Kasey will also be doing a virtual delegates report on August 24. Check aa-montana.org for that information.

Also, AA grapevine app is still only \$10.00 to subscribe. That's a savings of \$11 off the regular price. Don't miss out..

Rebecca

### **Literature**

I will be absent from this month's district meeting and I must confess I neglected to get the sales information and income to Kim prior to leaving town. I will be back in town this upcoming weekend and will send out an updated report with this information at that time.

Big Books are still on sale via AAWS for 10% off and the first edition reprint is still selling for \$3.

The pamphlet AA for the older Alcoholic—Never Too Late (Item B-28) is now available in a Large Print Booklet format with eight (8) new stories by A.A. members. I will be stocking some of these in my next order.

And lastly, I have 3 of the big books with dust jackets left down at the store for anyone who prefers this version. Once these have sold out, they will no longer be available for purchase.

All service positions are still filled!

Housekeeping items: if you are writing a check for books, please make it out to District 61. As always, if you need a case of books, please let me know so I can make sure the store remains stocked for the newcomer. You can reach me at 406-293-1486.

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Katelyn S  
District 61 Literature Store Chair  
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### **Public Information/Answering Service:**

Hello District 61. There isn't much to report for PI since our last meeting. I was finally able to get the zoom meetings for the Free for Lunch meetings off the district web page. My apologies that it took so long. I thought I had it removed, but found out we actually have to go through the

Webmaster to remove those kinds of meetings from the web page. It has been noted for future reference.

As always, please let me know if you see any racks that could use more meeting directories. I am planning to hit all the known racks before our next meeting just to see how its looking out there.

That's all for now.

Thanks for letting me be of service,

Dawn A

### **Treatment**

Hello District 61 and happy August! I hope you all are having a great summer. Thank you for presenting this material to your groups as follows. Meetings as listed:

MCDC- Treatment facility in Butte. Held the 1st Saturday of the month. Meeting is at 630pm. Meet at Albertsons at 5pm on Fee street. Please contact Amy N, Tom F., or Jon C to get you on the volunteer list. 1+ year sob requirement.

BHU- Weekly meeting on Tuesdays at the BHU in St Peters Helena. Meeting starts at 630 pm. Please contact Anya or Amy N if interested in a Tuesday. 1+ year sob requirement.

Elkhorn- This is a weekly meeting on Saturdays at 1030 at the women's treatment center in Boulder that our coordinator Jan has asked me to announce. Please contact Amy N or Jan and we will get you on a rotating list.

This requires a PREA training prior that Shawn Frederick does on Mondays a 4 at the pre release. (Interesting and well done). 1+ year sob requirement. Last Saturday's meeting was the largest turnout there I've ever seen with good participation. One took a BTG form and the staff is aware of the BTG process.

Boyd Andrews- Monthly speaker meeting the 3 rd Wednesday of the month at 9 and 10am. Share your story to these groups!

Planning for our next Attitude of Gratitude event that is on November 23rd at Our Redeemer's is in process and I am grateful to be part of.

I plan to attend the Bridging the Gap Workshop in Missoula Sept 6-8th Hosted by Area 40 at Fairbridge Inn and Suites & Big Sky Conference Center. Refer to BTGWW for workshop rate of \$139.

Starting the jail meetings is an exciting new journey and grateful to be useful in this area.

Thank you for allowing me to serve. Amy N. Treatment

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Jon C.: 406-603-0953 Jan Z.: 406-459-0970 Dave P.: 415-342-5195

## **Tech**

No report

## **Workshops**

Hello Dist 61. Attitude of Gratitude is coming along great. It is scheduled for Nov. 23 at Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church. We have our workshops lined up, flyers are on the table, the Venmo and email are active for registration. \$25 includes the days events and a catered dinner. We are still working on securing a caterer but should have that information next month. We will be doing a walk through of the church on Aug. 26 to finalize rooms and locations of everything. It will be a little different placement from last year, but we think it will work better. We have talked about having childcare but are still looking for people to help with it. If you are willing or know someone who is, please let me know.

Grapefest is scheduled for September with more information to come.

Yours in Service, Karla I.

## **Roundup**

Carla secured the hotel at the Great Northern. Speaker seekers are working hard. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mondy of each month to attend the committee. It is 6 pm at the Library.

Rebecca

## **Group Reports**

Fellowship group 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday on the Month. Speaker – Wendy D.

Monday and Friday Women's meeting is starting the Joe and Charlie stories.

How & Y - hosting Bad Bitch Beach Day Aug. 10<sup>th</sup>.

Wilson House hosting a float - Aug 30<sup>th</sup>.

## **Old Business:**

Carla – District Roundup account update. In researching prior District meeting minutes we found what was in the Roundup account after seed money was sent to next Roundup was \$2,351.49.

Ad Hoc committee job description report – distributed updated job description. Committee Members had an opportunity to review. Deborah motioned to approve the updated versions, Andy seconded the motion. Job descriptions were approved.

## **New Business:**

2025 Roundup – Discussion of the Roundup of District Roundup Account. Rebecca made a motion to add a line item within the Treasurer Report for all District 61 bank accounts. It was second and approved.

Sept. 5, 2024

Concept 9 volunteer – Andy

The August 1, 2024 District meeting closed with the Responsibility Statement @ 7:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Wendy Donahoe.