

DISTRICT 91 BUSINESS MEETING

January 27, 2019

Hosted by – Whitefish Group

Attended by: 28+ District 91 members.

If you attended and were not included above please email - secretary thank you.

Note: *This is a live document therefore the contents herein are subject to change as I receive reports. If you would like to print this document, you may wish to wait until the minutes are approved at the next District Meeting. If you see an error please email -secretary so that corrections can be made promptly. Thank you!*

OPENING 3:00 p.m.

- Serenity Prayer -
- Preamble -
- 12 Traditions - / 12 Concepts -
- Concept of the Month - Concept 01-
- Concept 02 Review Volunteer -.
- Host for February 24 meeting: Serenity Group
- Next District meeting
 - Serenity Group @ Alano Club
 - 153 N. Meridian, Kalispell
 - 3PM
 - February 24th
- Review & approval for December minutes: Approved by acclamation.
- 7th Tradition

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- [District Guidelines](#)
- [Revised District Guidelines](#)
- [Blank Agenda Item Form](#)
- [District 91 Budget 2019](#)
- [Area Budget vs Actual by Line Item 1 & 2](#)
- [2019 Spring Roundup - FLYER](#)
- [West Central Regional AA Service Conference](#) [FLYER](#)
- [68th GSC Final Report](#)
- [SoberSki March 1-3 FLYER](#)

Agenda Items Remember that items on the agenda are considered "made and seconded motions" and should be taken back to your home groups to get input in order to be able to discuss and vote the following business meeting. If there are any questions about this process, please let - (DCM) know.

GROUP REPORTS

Band of Brothers-
Big Book Group- .
Chief Cliff AA- .
Lunch Bunch
Somers/Lakeside Group-
Sunrise Group-
Swan River AA Group-
Women in Sobriety- .

Back to Basics-

Bigfork by the Bay Group-

There is nothing new to report this month.

By the Book Group-

Hi there. By the Book has enjoyed good attendance recently. Our next speaker will be * from the 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Group. We will have a business meeting after our speaker meeting. * will speak at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday February 2nd. We are actively looking for a GSR to represent By the Book Group.
Grateful to be of service,.

Canyon Group

The Canyon Group has 15 meetings a week with the addition of two new meetings at 6:30 A.M. on Tuesday and Thursday. The group is also responsible for the 3rd and 5th Saturday Pathways meeting and the 3rd and 5th Sunday Wilderness Treatment Center meeting. Attendance has been very good with some of the snowbirds returning and newcomers. The group did a 7th tradition split in January. Our first Friday night speaker for February will be * of the Whitefish Group. Our next scheduled business meeting will be February 4th at 6:30 p.m. On the agenda is group inventory and setting a date to get that accomplished.
In Service,

Circle of Sisters-

Columbia Falls Group-

The Columbia Falls AA Group meets every Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday nights at 8 p.m. at the Montana Veterans' Home Chapel. Attendance has been strong with even a snowbird or two returning. Newcomers are a blessing to the group. Please join us for coffee, cookies, black licorice and great fellowship!

Flathead Valley Serenity Group-

Going to the Sun Group-

During the winter months as driving conditions get dicey—our attendance gets smaller, though we continue to have a core of 8-14 attending. At 5:30 p.m. before the meeting, some gather at Glacier Grill for supper and fellowship. All are welcome to join. Coffee continues to be “The Best in the Valley”. Frequently during these dark winter months we have candles burning...

New Hope Group -

Tobacco Valley Group -

Whitefish Group-

The Whitefish Group continues to offer 3 meetings a day, 7 days a week with a 6p.m. inductive Big Book study on Thursdays, which is seeing good attendance.

The Whitefish Group has two events coming up:

1. February 11, we will be hosting a Karaoke Night at Cypress Yard in Whitefish. The WFG has formed an entertainment committee that is working to host an event every few months!

2. March 1-3 The WFG is hosting the annual Sober Ski event. Flyers have been distributed throughout the area.

Last week the WFG addressed a significant anonymity breach. The issue was brought to the attention of the Alt GSR who then shared it with me. After discussion, a course of action was agreed upon to address the situation. Some group members were consulted to ensure that the issue was best handled in a loving and corrective tone. The offending party was spoken to in a manner to ensure that understanding the reason for anonymity was clear. The subject was addressed at meetings and all involved were able to move past the issue.

In Service,

COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS

Archives -

I am Happy to be in service and looking forward to learning this new position. Glad to be available to help * transition in to her position as secretary.

Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) -

Corrections-

The Calendars are filled out thru March. All of the jail meetings were fulfilled for the month of January and I have received some reports from the volunteers. Sounds like it has been a wonderful experience for the incarcerated and volunteers.

I am looking forward to training the new Corrections Chair and concentrating on my new position as District Treatment Chair. I will be looking into forwarding a check to Area 40 Corrections Chair from the Pink Can fund for the amount of \$1000.00. This should leave a fair balance for the incoming Corrections Chair to reorder 4 subscriptions to the Grapevine for the Flathead County Detention Center with two for the men's side and two for the women's side. I have enjoyed being of service to Corrections and look forward to my new position.

Thanks,

Grapevine-

I did finally get in touch with AA Grapevine.org and have registered. * passed along his Grapevine goodies.

Grateful to be of service,

Literature-

Hi there;

I have made a purchase with Lunch Bunch in order to avoid shipping charges. Our District account balance is \$201.00. In preparation for upcoming account name changes I will need a minutes sheet that states who is in charge now * and who is coming off, * also need to change the officers names.....so yah, I will keep in touch with whose signatures I need....

Public Information (PI)- *report given by *.

I am prepared to train * when he is physically ready. We are waiting for schedules (Spring 2019) at which time I will train * in all of the 14 locations. My open to buy, \$100, was re-upped after January 1. I did place a small order with * for fill-in. Thank you for letting me be of service, I have enjoyed exploring this position.

In Service,

Treatment-

Greetings, I have not done a lot as of yet as Treatment Chair other than read through all of the literature and review the workbook for my position. I did contact a member from Sunrise Group about covering the fourth Saturday of the month Pathways meeting. They volunteered to cover it last week but I am not sure if they did because the Daily Interlake reported that there were quarantines being set down for Pathways and other Kalispell Regional areas. I will continue to educate myself on my service position and report again next month.

Thank you for the service,

Intergroup Liaison -

Intergroup Representative:

Flathead Valley Intergroup met January 26th in Columbia Falls. All Intergroup Service positions are now filled. On February 16th there will be a Valentine's Day event featuring speaker couples and a spaghetti potluck. Next up on March 30th is the Business - Brisket - Birthday St. Patrick Day celebration. The Emery Bay Campout is slated for August 1st through the 4th with planning in full swing. The next Intergroup meeting will be February 23rd with the Sunrise Group hosting the Birthday meeting.

*, Intergroup

Bridging the Gap - Good afternoon:

It is truly an honor and a privilege to get to serve district 91 as the Bridging the Gap chair. Although the position was only just created, (and the rotation has just started) I have already had the opportunity to meet with the Area 40 BTG chair. We discussed what all this new position in District 91 could entail, and she helped me get set up with pertinent BTG information. I have also contacted the area 40 webmaster and got set up with the District 91 bridging the gap email, as well as gained access to the database for BTG Volunteers I am now set up to move forward with any incoming calls for bridging the gap. My next goal as district 91 BTG chair is to reach out to the local jail, as well as the institutions and treatment centers. I look forward to helping to pave the new path ahead of us for Bridging the Gap in District 91!

In service,

STANDING COMMITTEES

Into Action - The deposit has been made for the Bohemian Hall. The day will be filled with activities, GSR Workshop, Scavenger hunt; Slogans workshop; Meet the District fellow AA's in service; small group discussions; and a problem solving interaction for District 91; a raffle and * is going to be the speaker.

*, Committee Chair

2019 Spring Roundup Committee-

Our next committee meeting will be February 6th at 6pm at The Red Lion Hotel Atrium. We are looking for volunteers to help with hospitality, greeters, registration and more. Please join us! The Spring Round Up flier is online and early registration is encouraged - either on line, by mail or in person to * also contact her for committee meeting dates.

*Round Up Chair

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS-

WCRAASC is coming up - it is more fun than people should be allowed to have! Hope you all get tickets soon. The Spring Area Assembly is in Great Falls. *

DISTRICT BUSINESS DISCUSSIONS - Note: *The discussions provided below do not exhibit direct quotes from the individuals. It is the secretary's attempt to capture the spirit of the discussion to the best of their ability. If you wish for something to be changed or amended please email the secretary.*

OFFICER REPORTS-

District Committee Member (DCM) - Thank you to all of you who are here today. Thank you to * for doing a great job in the last rotation. * and I are going to be visiting various groups to look for volunteers to help in District 91. We are asking all GSR's to visit other groups as well to promote participation in service and carry the message to others. Have the past service chair's passed the service manuals on to the incoming chair persons? When visiting other groups we need to share our experience and what service has done for us individually. Talk about service opportunities that are available such as - Into Action and Intergroup Birthday meeting, every event needs a lot of volunteers. Service is one of the three legs of sobriety.

Alternate District Committee Member (Alt. DCM) -

I'm glad to be in service and a little nervous in this new position just like everyone else that is new.

*, Alt. DCM

Treasurer-

[District 91 Treasurer Report January 2019](#)

Secretary-

I am happy to be in service and hoping to learn the Google Docs program quickly and do my best to follow in * footsteps as secretary.

OLD BUSINESS-

Elections:

Corrections - * volunteered, after giving his service history & sobriety date, was elected by acclamation.

Literature - (Area Committee Member-Funded to Area Assembly) * gave her experience as the out going Literature Chair. * was nominated and after giving her service history and sobriety date * was approved by acclamation.

Agenda Proposal -

A proposal was made to have necessary workbooks/kits ordered for service chairpersons. The Literature chair will order all necessary kits. It was discovered that all the District 91 chairs were present, so a count was made for how many kits were actually needed at approximately \$25.00 each. The cost of ordering 3-4 service kits was approved.

*., *Bridging the Gap*

Motion to extend the business meeting for 15 minutes to finish the business at hand was made by * and the motion was approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Review Chairs and the GSR List and make updates as needed.

The District 91 Guidelines need to be approved. * will make sure the proposed copy is the current and final copy to be approved. *The current Guidelines and proposed revised Guidelines are linked in the minutes.*

* made a motion and it was approved to table accepting the proposed & updated Guidelines until all the incoming GSR's have had a chance to review them.

* DCM reminded all Chairs & GSRs to visit other meetings & stress the importance of District involvement.

MEETING CLOSED WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT 4:45 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: * secretary