

DISTRICT 91 BUSINESS MEETING ANONYMITY PROTECTED

September 27, 2020
Hosted by Flathead Serenity Group

Attended by:

18 District 91 members attended - 4 Officers, 6 Chair, 5 GSR, 3 Visitors

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 ___ 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 Review - Concept 09 - **.
- Next Month Concept 10 Review Volunteer - **
- Current Meeting Host - Flathead Valley Serenity Group
- Next month District meeting host group - Serenity Group
 - Flathead Valley Serenity Group
 - Alano Club 153 N. Meridian
 - Kalispell, MT
 - 3 PM , October 25, 2020
- Review & approval for current August 2020 minutes: Motion to accept minutes as written was Approved.
- 7th Tradition

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- [DISTRICT 91 GUIDELINES 2018](#)
- [WACY PAA XXIV June 2021](#)
- [DISTRICT 91 AGENDA PROPOSAL FORM](#)
- [ROUND UP - Fall 2020 "CANCELLED"](#)
- [AREA 40 AGENDA PROPOSAL FORM](#)
- [BAFFLED LOT - New Location](#)
- [District 91 Budget 2019](#)
- [SOBER SKI MARCH 2021](#)

COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS

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Archives -

I have all archives stored safely at my home. I'm sorry I am not able to attend today. I look forward to seeing you all next month.

**., District 91 Archives Chair

Bridging the Gap-

No report - Covid19 has closed things down.

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Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) -

I won't make it again this weekend, but I do have something to report - it was a last minute deal: I met with ** on Friday, the new Crisis Mental Health Worker for the Flathead Valley.

<https://flatheadbeacon.com/2020/09/15/new-co-responder-program-embeds-mental-health-professional-law-enforcement/>

Provided her with AA CPC Literature, Hotline number and various AA website links. She was appreciative for the information on how she can help people in crisis in the Flathead Valley.

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Corrections-

Greetings,

There has been no news from the jail regarding reopening for jail meetings or for an orientation. I will keep the District informed, but at this point I would not expect to see the jail reopen until spring of 2021. I am deeply saddened to know that men and women are suffering without the resources of AA inside that facility. I hope to have better, or at least more, news to report next month.

I am going to check on the possibility of having zoom meetings made available for jail inmates. I received a check for Grapevine subscriptions and the jail should be receiving those soon.

Yours in service,

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Grapevine-

Log on to www.aagrapevine.org to get information on the 2020 **Carry the Message Project**; at the store you will find the **audiobook "Language of the Heart"**; the new book **No Matter What: Dealing with Adversity in Sobriety**; **ePub of the Grapevine**; the Grapevine **Daily Quotes book with new cover**; be sure to check out the Grapevine YouTube page [youtube.com/aagrapevine](https://www.youtube.com/aagrapevine)

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Literature-

Literature sales continued to be sluggish this past month. I did receive a book order from New Hope Group and 2 pamphlet orders from Canyon Group.

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GSRs please let your groups know that we have an abundance of books in stock. We especially have an overabundance of Big Books in stock. I offer free delivery of books & pamphlets currently in inventory.

In the coming weeks, I will conduct a thorough inventory of all literature in my garage to ascertain exact quantities as well as dollar value. This will allow for a more organized & accurate accounting of District literature for the next rotations' Literature Chair.

In Service,

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Public Information (PI)-

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Treatment-

I am in Havre this weekend with grandchildren and will not be able to attend. There is nothing new to report as Covid-19 presses on. I will continue to keep in touch with Pathways for any further updates.

Thank you for the service,

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NOTE: ** added that the Wilderness Treatment Center and the Halfway House has closed permanently and the property is being sold.

District Intergroup Liaison -

A big "Thank you" to ** for covering me while I was out feeling poorly.

Intergroup had their meeting on the 26th at the Alano Club which was well attended. The upcoming Halloween Party was discussed, it may be a joint effort between AA and NA, and will be held at either the Alano Club or the Senior Center in Whitefish. More will be revealed - look for new flyers.

Intergroup voted to hold their future monthly meetings at the Senior Center in Whitefish. It was decided to have the groups take the inventory of Intergroup this time around. A new listing in the next schedule will be the Baffled Lot Group which meets at 7:00 am Monday - Wednesday - Friday at the Assembly of God Church in Whitefish.

The Tobacco Valley Christmas Party is tentatively scheduled for December 12th. The Emory Bay Campsite has been secured.

In Service,

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Intergroup Liaison -

Nothing to report (see report by **.)

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STANDING COMMITTEES-

Into Action -

Christmas Alcathon -

GROUP REPORTS

Baffled Lot Group

We are meeting at the Assembly of God Church and it is handicap accessible, masks are not required. Meetings are all held at 7am Monday & Wednesday-for topics from the first 164 pages and Friday for-inductive Big Book Study.

**., GSR

Band of Brothers-

**., GSR

Big Book Group-

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Bigfork by the Bay Group-

At our last business meeting we voted to reopen the Sunday 7pm OPEN meeting at the Methodist Church in Bigfork as listed in the Intergroup AA meeting schedule. Attendance was good and we are looking forward to the next live meeting tonight!

We are also continuing with our Saturday 8:00 am CLOSED Zoom meetings.

**., GSR

By the Book Group-

Attendance has been steady when I have attended. By the Book continues to meet at 5.30 pm 7 days a week at the Alano club either inside or on the back patio.

Sincerely,

**., GSR

Canyon Group-

Meetings are good - Noon meetings are at 25 +, all others equally good.

For your 2021 Calendar: Canyon Group Campout is June 25-26-27-28, 2021 at Swan Lake. and the Intergroup Campout is August 12-15, 2021 at Emory Bay. Other than that everything is good in Columbia Falls.

** is not sure if the meeting at the Veterans Center is open at this time due to a Covid-19 outbreak at the Veteran's Home.

In Service,

**., GSR

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Chief Cliff AA-

No new report from Chief Cliff AA - Elmo, MT.

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Circle of Sisters-

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Columbia Falls Group-

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Flathead Valley Serenity Group-

I was honored to attend my last Area Assembly on Zoom. I was amazed at how close it felt to a physical in-person Assembly. Congratulations to next year's officers elected to the Area.

Serenity has trouble filling meeting chairs for our in-person meetings but Zoom is running strong. Last month all our sobriety birthday chips went missing. We had just restocked with a \$150 order. So congratulations to whomever absorbed all that sobriety time.

One of our home group members brought up that we should ask Area to send it's overflow budget to GSO who is struggling, so look for a motion to show up from our group soon!

Note: Our Fall Refresher event will not be held this year.

In Service,

** ., GSR

Fresh Start Group-

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Going to the Sun Group-

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Lunch Bunch Group

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New Hope Group -

New Hope meets every day in-person at noon and 7 pm. Friday is our 12x12 Book study.

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Somers/Lakeside Group-

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Sunrise Group-

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Swan River AA Group-

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Tobacco Valley Group -

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Whitefish Group- ???

Person meetings are in the First Presbyterian Church basement at 7:00 am, 12:30, and 8pm, daily. Masks are required. There is also a closed women's meeting on Tuesday at 6:30 pm. The Thursday (7pm) and Sunday (11am) meetings at The Wave have been suspended. There are daily Zoom meetings at 7am and 8pm.

** ., GSR

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Women in Sobriety-

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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) -

Assembly Summary -

- District 91 will have representation on 3 Assembly Committees. Treatment, Literature, & CPC. When live meetings return travel expenses will be funded for them.
- Spring Assembly 2021 will be a virtual Zoom meeting.
- Archives , Bridging The Gap, Webmaster & Area Advisor each had voting privileges approved.
- There was Motion & discussion that Area Assembly location be rotated between two locations and that would be decided on by the Area Chair. The motion was voted down.
- There was also discussion on having a regular occurring virtual Assembly meeting. GSR's are to go to their groups and ask what they think about continuing with virtual Assembly meetings.
- Motion was made & passed that the Spring Assembly will be a virtual version.
- Public Information Committee requested that the Triangle Editor create a new website for the Triangle and this was passed.
- The review of activities of Treatment Committees in Districts and Groups throughout Area 40 was moved forward to next spring assembly.
- The 2021 Budget was approved. The Budget will be \$41,820.00.
- There was no further Review of Structure and Policy.

Mike P., DCM

Alternate District Committee Member (Alt. DCM) -

Nothing to report.

**., Alt. DCM

Treasurer-

I will attend by the District Zoom meeting this month.

Statement Balance \$4478.37; Pink Can \$1452.75; Prudent Reserve \$1497.52;

Available Checking \$1528.10

[Treasurer's Report September 2020](#)

**., District 91 Treasurer

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Secretary-

I am hoping someone will step forward to become the next secretary for 2021-2022 rotation. I really enjoy this part of my service experience in AA.

**., District 91 Secretary

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.*

OLD BUSINESS-

Elections opened for Chair positions:

LITERATURE - One person volunteered - **. from New Hope Group gave her qualifications, **. made a motion with second by ** to accept ** who was voted by acclamation for Literature Chair.

DISTRICT INTERGROUP LIAISON - One person volunteered - **. from Canyon Group gave her qualifications, **. made a motion with second _ to accept ** who was voted by acclamation for District Intergroup Liaison.

Election process will continue next month for the following positions that had no volunteers present:

Archive Chair, Bridging The Gap, CPC, Corrections, Grapevine, PI, Treatment.

Next month will be live as well as virtual meeting. ** says live meetings are an important part of the service position, getting to know new people in-person, not just "listening" to their reports in virtual meetings.

**encourages people to consider getting involved in service as it is a lot of fun.

NEW BUSINESS -

Are there any groups that have any new business to share? None noted.

MEETING CLOSED WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT at 4:07 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: **Secretary.