

# **DISTRICT 91 BUSINESS MEETING**

November 28, 2021

Hosted by Alano Club of Kalispell and Zoom Online Meeting

## **Attendees**

Sheila J., Margaret L., Jerry R., Susan H., Alison L., Tabitha D.,  
Eddie W., Nancy S., Dan L., Sonya RG, Herb C., Francis A., Marlys, Libbie L., Lisa,  
Bonde C., Renee D., Rene J., Jerry (Intergroup)

## **Opening 3:03 p.m.**

- Serenity Prayer – Margaret L.
- Preamble – Jerry R.
- 12 Traditions – Rene D.
- 12 Concepts – Susan H.
- Concept of the Month (October) – Brian M. was scheduled but did not attend.
- Next Month Concept of the Month (December) – Concept 12 – No one volunteered
- Next month District meeting to be held at Alano Club 153 N. Meridian, Kalispell and on Zoom simultaneously at 3:00 p.m. December 26, 2021
- Review and approval of September minutes: Motion by Jerry R. with second by Susan H. that minutes be approved as read.
- Seventh Tradition suspended.

## **Introduction of Attendees**

## **Committee Chair Reports**

(Please forward all reports for monthly meeting by the Thursday preceding the meeting to [klein\\_s@sbcglobal.net](mailto:klein_s@sbcglobal.net))

### **Archives – Darla W.**

Hello this is Darla, and this is my monthly report for archives for the month of November: Everything is good; all looks well. I've been to the storage unit, and everything is intact. I have nothing new to report. Thank you and have a good Sunday. I'll see you next month.

### **Bridging the Gap: (vacant position)**

### **Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC): (vacant position)**

### **Corrections – Eddie W.**

Hello Everyone! Last time we talked I had ordered some Big Books, Twelve and Twelves and pamphlets for the jail. Right now, we have an order of books and pamphlets ready, but are waiting for a check from Nancy. As soon as we get that

ordered, I have another order ready to be purchased as well. I am going to ask for the money to purchase this final order during this business meeting and then we should be good for a little bit. I have tried to get into better touch with the jail. I had a question about where the books are accessible to the inmates, just for some peace of mind that our hard work is not in vain and that the books are being used and not just in storage somewhere. They haven't responded to my email, but I am going to try them this week probably again. As far as I know jail meetings are still off limits. I think that is still about all I have.

Eddie W.  
District 91 Corrections Chairperson

**Grapevine – Jerry R.**

November Grapevine issue had reprint of story, "Lost and Found at Sea" submitted by a lady from Billings, Montana in 1987.

Newest promotion for Grapevine subscribers is buy a one-year gift subscription for \$28.97 and add a second for the low price of \$13.00. What a fantastic gift this would make for newcomers!!!

Jerry R.  
District 91 Grapevine Chair

**Literature – Tabitha D.**

Hi Sandy! My report is as follows- I've had a total of 6 literature orders for the month of November. Experiencing some back orders on pamphlets as well as a few books on order. Let me know if you need any more info! Thank you!

Tabitha.D,  
District 91 Literature Chair

**Public Information (PI) – Steve W.**

Not much to report other than we have 5 new locations for our schedule and pamphlets.

Steve W.  
District 91 Public Information Chair

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**Treatment – (Vacant position)**

**District Intergroup Liaison (non-voting) – Dan L.**

Intergroup held their monthly meeting on November 20<sup>th</sup> before the Thanksgiving feast at the Senior Center in Columbia Falls which was very well attended – great food, great fellowship! Marlys will be the chairperson for the New Year Alcathon which will be from 4:00 p.m. December 31<sup>st</sup> to 4:00 p.m. New Year's Day. Sadly, Eureka has canceled their Christmas Party; however, there will be a white elephant gift exchange on

December 11<sup>th</sup> at the Alano Club – time to be announced. New winter meeting schedules are in process. The December Intergroup meeting is canceled due to the holiday and the January 29<sup>th</sup> meeting will be extended.

Dan L. District 91  
Intergroup Liaison

### **Standing Committees/Reports**

Into Action – Cancelled for 2021

Christmas Alcathon 2021: Renee D. has volunteered to be the chair. She will be organizing and distributing sign-up sheets and would like to create a raffle to be held during the event. There is a \$150 budget item available for her to use. Meetings will run from Christmas evening, 4:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. on Christmas Day at the Alano Club and will be 50 minutes in length to allow for transition between meetings. Also, the regularly scheduled meetings at the Club will proceed in place of these if they occur during these 24 hours.

Fall 2022 Roundup – We had our first meeting on Nov. 11th at 6:30 p.m. Since it's hard to find someplace open to meet we will be doing it via zoom for a couple of months. We still have several open chair positions that need to be filled, so please pass on to your groups that we can use some help.

The next meeting will be held on Zoom on Thursday, 12/2 at 6:30 p.m. Meeting ID is 869 6201 9208 passcode 6PD82E. You can also contact me for info at 406-250-5413. This next meeting we will talk about the theme and the responsibilities of each chair position. Thank you for letting me be of service.

Sonya R-G.  
District 91 Fall Roundup Chairperson

### **Group Reports**

#### **Big Book Group – Dawn O. contact**

Meeting on Thursday nights at 6:30 p.m. at the Wave.

#### **Bigfork by the Bay Group – Susan H., GSR**

Bigfork by the Bay is still meeting live 4 days a week, and we have 1- Zoom meeting Sat 8 am (right before our Live Saturday meeting at 9 am). We have a new Intergroup chair- John C. and he is eager to get started once Intergroup meetings resume after the Holidays. (And we are all eager for him)! We are grateful to District for the loan of a few Big Books, as we are completely out and waiting for a lit order arrival. The Libby group (wanting to move to District 91 was discussed and our group is “over the moon” excited about that news! We just added both printed versions of the preamble to our group notebook and updated our group phone lists.

Side note\*- A few of us attended the Intergroup Thanksgiving Dinner and it was delightful. Thanks for opportunity to serve,

Susan H, GSR Bigfork by the Bay Group

**By the Book – no representation this month**

Marlys reported that meetings are still happening as scheduled but attendance is suffering. The speaker meeting is 12/4 at 5:30-6:30.

**Canyon Group – Sonya R., GSR**

All is well at the Canyon Group. Meetings are being well attended. Our 6:30 a.m. meetings on Sunday, Tues., Wed., and Thurs. can always use support. We are hosting a Hot Chocolate Social in our room at the Night of Lights Parade, Friday Dec. 3rd at approx. 6 p.m. Come, enjoy some fellowship and the parade. Following that at 8 p.m. we have a speaker meeting with Norma T. Being our speaker. Then Sat. morning, Dec. 4th at 8:30 a.m. our women's meeting is a speaker meeting with Kristen being our speaker. Monday night's 8 p.m. is a Big Book Study meeting. The 2nd Sunday at 8 p.m. is a Grapevine meeting where we read a couple of stories out of that month's Grapevine and discuss them.

Many members from our group helped out with the Thanksgiving Dinner put on by the Intergroup at the Senior Center in Col. Falls that was well attended.

We have had the bid put in on new flooring for our room and are still in the process of getting that under way. Thank you for letting me be of service.

Sonya RG, GSR  
GSR, Canyon Group

**Came to Believe Group – Herb C. GSR**

We have 6 home group members who attend regularly, and we are getting an attendance of between 10-11 people in our meetings. The last Sunday of the month is our birthday meeting.

Herb C., GSR  
Came to Believe Group

**Chief Cliff Wellbriety AA – Francis A., GSR**

Resumed meetings in August in Elmo at the Clinic Building which pulls attendance from other locales around the area. These are every Wednesday from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Francis A., GSR  
Chief Cliff Wellbriety

**Circle of Sisters – Alison L. GSR**

We meet weekly Wednesdays at 6:30 PM as hybrid online and in person. We have speaker meetings on the first Wednesday of the month. Our most recent speaker was a

local gal but she happened to be traveling in Mexico and because of the hybrid meeting we were able to hear her story from afar.

Alison L.  
GSR, Circle of Sisters

**Columbia Falls Group – Rene J.**

We had business meeting late November and kept reserve, then did a 4-way split I believe \$200/ each. We continue masks at VA meeting; attendance has been affected by this. We ordered some new books for newcomers.

Rene J., GSR  
Columbia Falls Group

**Flathead Valley Serenity Group – Brian McG., GSR**

No report or representation this month.

Brian McG, GSR Serenity Group

**Fresh Start – No representation this month**

Marlys reported as a member who attends that the meetings are held every morning at 6:30 a.m. at the Alano Club and they are going well.

**Going to the Sun Group – No representation this month**

**Lunch Bunch – no representation**

Marlys reported that she attends this meeting which still meets daily at noon and is struggling with poor attendance.

**New Hope Group – Christian B.**

Christian did not attend or report but Dan L. reported that the group's attendance has been great and meetings are still held every day at noon and at 7 p.m.

**Somers/Lakeside Group – Collin O., no report this month**

**Sunrise Group – No representation this month**

Renee D. reported that splits were done with \$300 sent to District. This group meets every morning at 8 a.m. There are people taking meetings to the RCM Treatment Center as a group activity and commitment with a proposal to also send meetings when the RCM of Missoula located in Hungry Horse opens the women's section.

**Tobacco Valley Group – Nate H., no report this month**

**Whitefish Group – No representation this month**

Sheila reported that Mark M. has moved out of the area. She will try to contact Bradley who used to be the alternate GSR to see what is happening with this group's representation.

**Women in Sobriety – No representation this month**

Marlys reported that this group is still holding meetings on Mondays and Thursdays at 1:15 p.m.

**Officer Reports**

**DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEMBER (DCM) - Sheila J.**

District 91 would like to welcome the "Came to Believe" Group from Libby, MT to Area 40, District 91. After Herb's request last month, I contacted Area Delegate, Connie, for procedural advice. She then contacted our Regional Trustee for further clarification. I was notified that as it was a single group making the request to participate in our District, they were welcome to make an autonomous decision to join our service structure, and we are happy to have the addition. Again, welcome.

I worked with webmaster, Alex, to get a downloadable copy of the agenda item form on the District mini-site link on the Area 40 website. Our District minutes are also available on the mini-site. Alex also passed on a request for Big Books from Immanuel Lutheran Homes for their library. I passed this on to Steve, PI chair.

After the first of the year, I plan to meet, along with Secretary, other District officers and an Area advisor/past delegate, to go over our current District guidelines and make any needed additions or corrections. Please take the time to review/familiarize yourself with the guidelines, there's a lot of valuable information regarding District policy that will make procedure more understandable.

I apologize for forgetting to contact Tabitha and make a conference call to GSO regarding chair workbook kits, we will do that this week. As always, if there is any way I can be a help to your groups, your service position, your sobriety, please do not hesitate to contact me.

In Service,

Sheila J.  
DCM District 91

**Alternate District Committee Member (Alt. DCM) – Margaret L:**

Nothing new to report.

**Secretary – Sandy K.**

Nothing new to report.

## Treasurer - Nancy S.

11/26/2021

### Treasurer Report District 91

10/31/2021 Beginning Balance \$ 5,825.44

<u>Date</u>	<u>Transaction Description</u>	<u>Debits</u>	<u>Credits</u>
11/16/2021	Whitefish Group Split		\$235.00
11/16/2021	Serenity Group Split		\$100.00
11/23/2021	Somers Lakeside Group Split		\$100.00
11/23/2021	Distict 91 Literature (Corrections Order)	\$577.50	
11/27/2021	Checking Account Balance		\$5,682.94
11/27/2021	Pink Can Balance		\$1,308.40
11/27/2021	Prudent Reserve Balance		\$1,497.52
11/27/2021	Available Checking Balance		\$2,877.02

### Old Business

District 91 positions that need to be filled: CPC, Treatment, Bridging the Gap. Rene D. was elected CPC Chairperson, and Bonde C. was elected as the Bridging the Gap Chairperson. He also mentioned that the Triple Divide Center (formerly Wilderness Treatment Center) wants to restart meetings on Sunday nights.

### New Business

Marlys mentioned that the Intergroup which provides meetings schedules for the valley is finding itself not being able to keep enough in stock to fulfill orders sufficiently. She is asking the District to pay for ordering more schedules each quarter: \$18/quarter for 100; \$72/year. Nancy S. said that this is already in the District budget, so should be done. The Came to Believe Group will be added to the next printing.

Jerry (from the Intergroup) announced there was going to be a Gift Exchange on December 11<sup>th</sup> and will provide a flyer.

There is a holiday decorating party scheduled at the Alano Club on December 4<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

A motion by Eddie W. was made and seconded by Jerry R. to allocate \$250.00 to Corrections for additional Big Books and Twelve and Twelves along with some pamphlets. It passed.

### **Closing**

Jerry R. moved to close the meeting and it was seconded by Susan H. Meeting closed at 4:38 p.m. with the recitation of the Responsibility Statement by all in attendance.

### **DISTRICT 91 GUIDELINES**

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1bagRWUFLzMQhzdd5VV0QWKAjkYPAGK08C8qPzD53vog/edit#heading=h.px11p82xkmpp>

### **VOLUNTEER PREA FORM FOR CORRECTIONS SIGNUP**



Volunteer PREA 2013  
(2).pptx

### **NEW VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION (JAILS)**



New volunteer  
Orientation 2021.ppt

### **COMBINED FORMS (CORRECTIONS)**



Combined  
Forms.docx

### **VOLUNTEER IDENTIFICATION FORM**



Volunteer  
Identification Form (1)

### **2021 ORIENTATION EXAM (JAILS)**



2021 Orientation  
Exam.docx





## **Annual District 91 AA Christmas Alcathon**

**Friday, December 24, 2021 through  
Saturday, December 25, 2021.**

**Meetings begin at 4:00 p.m. Friday  
and will run every hour until 4:00 p.m.  
Saturday**

**Raffle will be held in the lobby for a 1-year  
membership to the Alano Club.**

**Coffee, cocoa, snacks provided,  
please feel free to bring your favorite  
holiday treats to share and come  
fellowship with us!**

**Alano Club of Kalispell  
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