

# District 37 Business Meeting

March 23, 2021

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**Attendees:** Julie, Cindy, Alyx, Dusty, Barbara, Jeff, Sarah, Eugene, Kale, Sonny, John, Skip, Karin, Matthew, Brittanie, Lauren, Morgan, TMcKinney, Mike, Missy, Stan

**Opened with Serenity Prayer at 7:00**

**Introductions: New GSR's:** Alyx new to area- from Welcome Home; GSR for Ridgefield-TMcKinney; Dusty Intergroup Rep

**Reading Tradition 3-** Barbara

**Reading Concept 3-** Brittanie

**Meeting Minutes:** Motion to approve and approved

**Treasurer's Report-** Karin sent and reviewed treasurers report- no questions. Motion to approve and approved

**GSR Sharing-**

**Jeff-Fireside:** Sunday, Monday and Thursday. Starting on Thursday in-person meetings. Looking forward to it. Including Zoom at in-person meeting. Mask required, bring own coffee, etc.

**Mathew-As Bill Sees It:** Meeting Mon-Fri. Attendance is steady. Like the idea of hybrid meeting but not ready to bite that off yet. Worried some may be resistant to meeting in person.

**Karin-A New Morning:** Zoom meeting every day. In person meeting dependent on church. We have a small room. All is well, between 40-60 people every day. Good group.

**Kale- Welcome Home:** My meeting attendance poor this month. Some new HG members. Staying on Zoom.

**Sarah- LBTL:** Business meeting and decided to stay on Zoom until more are vaccinated. Meetings are solid, really good meetings.

**Brittanie- Keep Coming Back:** Still on Zoom. We are doing a panel for Ridgfield next Tuesday. We have a HG member who started a weekly meeting anywhere in the world on Mondays. Chat me if you want to be added.

**Mike- Hockinson:** Had a COVID scare, shut down for 2-wks. Zoom and in person meetings.

**Missy-Cornerstone:** Hybrid Monday-Friday, things going well. Seems like things are picking back up.

## **GSR Sharing Continued...**

**Morgan- Hope Dealers:** Mon-Fri zoom and in-person. Got some new HG members. Have an exchange program, newcomers usually from that but seeing some outside of that.

**Tim- La Center:** Never shut down our Sunday night meeting. Have good attendance. Practice social distancing, etc. Have a zoom meeting at 9:30 Sunday mornings. Same crowd- consistent.

**Eugene- Lewis River:** Taking some training, did pre-conference workshop and submitted my responses. Mon and Thu at 7...Zoom. Church probably not opening until phase 4.

**DCM Report- Julie:** Thank you for those who attended pre-conference. Info up on the website and plan business meeting with HG to review agenda items. I attended PRASA and it was excellent. Topic, AA In a Time of Change. All the delegates attended to give highlights. Discussed pre-conference agenda items: virtual meetings, accessibility. Link in chat to video re: changes to BB. PRASA in Portland next year! Pre-Conference Assembly, loved it and they did great job on agenda items. I put info on our agenda each agenda item and importance/info. Highlighted agenda topics. Register on Area website so you have access. Confirmed everyone has district email setup. Question, when is PRASA 2022? Not sure, check PRASA website.

**Alt DCM Report- Sonny:** Upcoming events: GSR University make-up course this Sunday. April, we have DCM University for me and Julie. Another GSR University April 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Intergroup Chair- Dusty:** Had some people who helped us with an inventory. We are going to do a third-person audit (in-house audit), someone takes our QuickBooks and bank statements to make sure it's correct up to this point. Donations have dropped almost \$1,000/month since beginning of year. Casia (office manager) willing to donate her time to help with expenses. Cutting Saturdays to cut expenses. Please review guidelines and if we missed something please let us know, including interpretations. Went from 15-20 HG reps attending. Looking to see if people would like to use the back room for sponsor meetings, etc. as things open up. Questions: When is office open? 12-6 M-F. Are the meeting lists updated? Online every day. Paper-working on update. Let us know if you want Zoom or in-person meeting info on printed schedules.

## **Committee Reports-**

Open:

Absent: Aliz- Corrections

**Accessibility- Barbara-** Got email setup. Reading past emails to get an understanding of what this position is- hoping to find out what our district has done previously. Study and get my feet wet.

## **Committee Reports Continued...**

**Archives-** Lauren: Went to Area Archives. They are doing a large digitizing project. Went and saw our archives storage unit. Pretty organized- so pleasantly surprised. Learning there are some dynamics. Met with Harry and Penny (long-timers in Archives). Was able to get a better idea of history of Archives position. Had first committee meeting. Got some ideas on how to move forward. Please spread the word we want committee members. Current ideas: oral histories, group histories, digitizing, collecting things from current groups (flyers, minutes)...lots to do. Next committee meeting is April 14<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM on Zoom.

**Corrections-** Sara (sub for Aliz): Bridge connections- 2 from Monroe. Larch not in need of supplies at the moment. They are considering the penpal idea as Zoom is not an option. Thinking about sending audio recordings/videos for them to watch. They have no access to tech right now.

**Grapevine-** Sarah: Emailed my report. Several new publications coming out. Spanish, Women's Stories, Prisons- Carry the Message project.

**PI/CPC-** Stan/Skip: Come to dead-end with District 7- nobody interested in taking the position. We are carrying the ball forward and will have more to update in the future.

**Registrar-** Barry: Not much to report. Have some work to do. Learning position.

**Treatment-** Missy: Ridgefield going really well and consistent. Has a group to sponsor meeting every week. Women's Lifeline struggling. Different employee connections/people that can't seem to get the groups logged-on. Maybe once a month we get through. Looking for a HG to sponsor one day a month at Lifeline (4<sup>th</sup> Friday of every month-women). Men's Lifeline, cut to one Monday a month (1<sup>st</sup> Monday of every month) covered. Attending Qtrly is 17<sup>th</sup> of April.

**Web-** John: Website up and running fine. Attended PRASA, great learning experience. Julie- District Blog setup (chairs- want to write a blog feel free)

**Young Persons-** Cindy: Getting committee together, have first committee meeting on March 28<sup>th</sup>. Waiting to learn more from next quarterly meeting.

### **Old Business-**

1. Got a bid from Heathman, putting in PowerPoint and sending off. Doing more research for pricing comparison. PNC would be next June 2022, possibly Vancouver!
2. Alt. Chairs for Committees needed. Question- Jeff: do we have to step into Chair position after? Julie- No
3. Jeff nominated and voted in for Archives Alt Chair.

**New Business-**

1. Julie- Go as a district to support meetings that are struggling/need support. If you like that idea we can discuss next month. Good time to announce representation for district needed.
2. Eugene, looking for guest speaker on Thursday at 7. Cindy volunteered for April 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:30.

Motion to Adjourn

Meeting Closed with Responsibility Statement at 8:14