District 9 GSR Meeting Minutes: September 9, 2012

DCM JC F called the meeting to order at 6:30pm with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer.

Roll Call of GSR's, Officers, and Committee Chairs~

District Officers: JC F, DCM; Dawn B, alt DCM; Gene A, Treasurer; Sherry B, Secretary

Absent: Eddie P, alt Treasurer; Ruth B, alt Secretary

Groups: Early Birds, Dawn B, alt GSR; Sunday Morning Eye-Opener, alt GSR, Gene A; Sunday Big Book, Sherry B, GSR; 12x12 (VA), Earl R, GSR; As Bill Sees It, Elaine F, GSR; Water Tower, Colleen C, GSR; Touch on Feelings, Don B, alt GSR; Language of the Heart, Sally H, representative

Absent, emailed report: Thursday Open, report sent by Dan T

Absent, no report: M-W VA, Tuesday Promises, M-F Primary Purpose, Friends of Bill W, DOG GONE MEN'S, Saturday Big Book Committee Chairs: La Von L, Activities, Archives; Corrections, Don B, Answering Service and Literature, Gene A; Pink Can,

Sally H; Newsletter, Sherry B

Absent, no report: Treatment, John C; Schedules, Bob L

No Committee Chair: CPC-PI

Reading of Minutes: Sherry handed out hard copies of the minutes who hadn't received them or had trouble printing. Corrections: La Von's name is spelled incorrectly. Shernie's last initial is W, not F.

Motion made by Sherry B, 2^{nd} by Gene A, and passed unanimously to waive reading of the minutes and accept them as corrected

Treasurer's Report: Gene A handed out and read Treasurer's report. Discussion of financial report: Sally asked that when Pink Can money is turned in to Gene, that Gene give those totals to Sally so she can write receipts to groups. Gene will give her those totals.

Motion made by Dawn, 2nd by Sherry and passed unanimously to accept report.

Group reports for June are attached.

Committee reports for June:

Activities, LaVon L-She has reserved the 1st Presbyterian Church for Saturday, November 10, for the Gratitude Banquet. We usually give the church \$60 for the space.

Archives, LaVon L-nothing new.

Answering Service, Gene A-Pro-Tel bill \$22.50.

Corrections, Don B-Don has no report as the individuals going into the different institutions haven't reported to him. Workshop at prison is coming right up.

CPC-PI, no chair at this time.

Treatment, John C-Absent, no report.

Literature & Grapevine, Gene A: Reports given in financial report. Have extra Came to Believe and Living Sober books because they were ordered for Juvenile Justice and then not needed. They are being sold to groups and Pink Can is being reimbursed.

Pink Can, Sally H: Pink Can listed in Treasurer's Report.

Schedules, Bob L: no report.

Newsletter, Sherry B:

- Been in contact with Joanne, Area Newsletter Chair. Please let me know what your groups are doing so I can get it into the Area newsletter.
- Websites for AA where you can get information:
 - o District 9 website: http://gander1.dyndns.org/d9/
 - o Area 92 website: www.area92aa.org/
 - o GSO: www.aa.org
 - o Grapevine: www.aagrapevine.org

DCM report. JC F: No separate report, see Old and New Business.

Alt DCM report, Dawn B: Dawn reminded Sherry that her last initial is B, not H!

Old Business:

- Workshops: JC still looking for topics for workshop. Elaine asked why there are no more GSR's here. JC explained that it's typical, but that it would be a good topic for a workshop. Decided that the title "Participation" would be more palatable than "Service" or "Commitment." JC: 'The GSR is the voice of your group. GSR's are supposed to give all information from District and above to all Home Group members. Walla Walla does have better participation than some places.'
- Take back to Home Groups and discuss worship on "Participation." What would be a good date?

New Business:

- **Gratitude Banquet: LaVon** reserved 1st Presbyterian Church for Saturday, November 10. We have the kitchen and big hall all day to cook and big hall all evening for banquet.
 - Sherry made flyers and has some here. She has also emailed them to everyone who has email so they can print them.
 - Discussion regarding food at banquet. It was decided that the District will NOT cook a main dish, but will instead
 encourage Home Groups to work together to provide entrée dishes. Some funds will be available for groups who are
 interested but don't have the money. Groups need to attend the next business meeting with a proposal requesting
 funds to prepare a dish.
- Miguel from Alpha & Omega attended to invite us to a workshop they are holding. It will be in Spanish but translation will be provided.

Next business meeting will be held Sunday, October 7, 2012, from 6:30-approximately 8:00pm.

7th Tradition was taken and meeting adjourned @ 7:45 PM with the Lord's Prayer.

Home Group Reports~

Touch on Feelings, alt GSR Don B

Birthdays: none Attendance: 10-15

Sunday Morning Eye-Opener, alt GSR Gene A

Birthdays: Melody, 6-months Attendance: average 14-16 Current events: Breakfast.

Business meeting notes: Topic is how we are growing along spiritual lines and working the 12-Steps. A third step meeting.

Sunday Big Book, GSR Sherry B, alt GSR LaVon L

Birthdays: one 14-ear, one 5-year, multiple months and 24-hours at birthday meeting Attendance: Dropped during summer but coming back up; Friday averages 20-25

Business meetings are held as needed. Welcome to new Home Group member Joy S! Depending on everyone's schedules, they are either Monday night after the women's meeting or Friday night after the Happy Hour meeting. La Von will be going to Ellensburg to represent the group at the Fall Assembly.

Thursday Night Open, GSR Dan T

Birthdays: 30-days, 90 days, 2 years, 13-years Attendance: Average of 20-nice mix of newcomers Business meeting notes:

- Discussed our growth and increased numbers at meeting.
- The success thus far of our meeting format and message.
- Service positions for September solidified.

As Bill Sees It, GSR Elaine F

Birthdays: 5 (3 chips) Attendance: (27 avg)

Upcoming Events: Discussing "As Bill Sees It" pot luck dinner in October.

Current Events: Birthday celebration on the last Saturday of the month was a success, with Laura bringing a beautiful cake. Pink Can:

\$13.38.

Business Meeting Notes: The Group voted that they would make 3 side dishes for District Gratitude Banquet.

Water Tower, GSR Colleen C

Birthdays: one 60-days, one 6-years, one 7-years, one 18-months.

Attendance: Avg 15

Early Birds, alt GSR Dawn B

Birthdays: one 3-years, lots of months Attendance: Well attended, 8/20.

Business meeting notes: without GSR at this time.

Language of the Heart, verbal report by representative Sally H

Meetings going along well, group is solvent.

12x12, GSR Earl R

Attendance: 4/10.

Meetings are the same as usual.

Absent, no report:

Saturday Big Book & Speaker Meeting, M-W VA, M-F Primary Purpose, Tuesday Promises, Friends of Bill W, DOG GONE MEN'S