

Approved
District 31 Minutes of April 21, 2024

The district meeting was opened by Jennifer C. at 2:00 pm on April 21 in person and via Zoom with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Committee reports were brief and GSR's were asked to email their reports to the Secretary. Presentation by CFC Area representative.

In attendance: Jennifer C, Jennifer N, Donna F, Kristi N, Leslie S, Taylor C, Don M, Jacqueline L., Byron, Stephanie F, Cheryl M, Kate M, Amber C, Dave J, Benjamin, Patty H.

Presentation: Tradition 4 presented by Benjamin; Concept 4 presented by Cheryl M

Volunteers for APRIL: Tradition # 5 Don M. and Concept # 5 Taylor

NEW GSRs / 1st TIME VISITORS / GUESTS

New Alt: Sherry L. Guests: Karen, Harold (Alt.CFC Chair) Bahiyyah, Darryl W

SECRETARY REPORT (Fran C)

- Review of Minutes – Accepted.
- Please review newsletter for accuracy, especially items for your group or committee
- Roster changes in progress – please forward updates to D31secretary@gmail.com

TREASURER's REPORT (Kristi N)

Total receipts were \$151.67, total expenditures were \$30.00, leaving a negative cash flow for the month of \$121.67. The ending checking account balance is \$6,431.74. Less our prudent reserve of \$1,875.00 we have a balance of \$4,556.74.

GUEST SPEAKER - *SETA Correctional Facilities Committee Wants you!*

Presentation by: Harold, Alternate CFC Chair for Area 67 & Eddie, D31 CFC representative (handouts too!)

From an Inmate: "I wouldn't be here if someone hadn't come"

What does CFC do?

1. Take AA Meetings into correctional facilities
2. Distribute AA literature purchased with your generous BLUE Can donations
3. Answer letters from incarcerated inmates through the Correspondence Program
4. Set up contact for pre-release inmates to assist in getting them to their first AA mtg upon release.
5. Carry the message through setting up information tables at workshops/conventions.

How you can help

1. Group BLUE CAN. All contributions go toward purchasing AA literature for incarcerated inmates.
2. Correspond with an inmate to share the AA message of recovery.
3. Be a Pre-Release contact.
4. Participate in the CFC committee.
5. Applications online (Harold/Eddie willing to assist)

Link to Southeast Texas Area (SETA) CFC website for all details. OR contact CFC@AA-SETA.ORG

DCM REPORT (Jennifer C)

- Attend April Assembly. New venue and outline well-received. Efficient and very well done.
- Attended the 25th Hour Group 4/20 and facilitated a group Inventory for them.
- Plans to visit groups in the next few weeks: Good News Group, HOW group, Serenity Goodrich

ALT DCM REPORT (Jennifer N)

- Onboarding new GSR's as needed
- May 4 Traditions workshop led by Paul M & Gene J (Flyer attached)

GSR REPORTS

1502 Group - Amy C / Alt Leta D

190 Group – Randy & Kathy

- New location 431 Boat Launch Road, Pointe Blank, TX 77364 serving Huntsville, Livingston, Conroe
- **All Meetings – Monday through Sunday at 6:30pm** Discontinued **Noon Saturday and 4pm Sunday**

494 Lunch Bunch Karacinda

- Group appreciates attendance support.

Atascocita Group - Don M via email

- Combined group information boards to one location in the meeting hall.
- Motion made to reduce steering committee from 6 to 5 (avoid tie votes)
- Alternate GSR resigned (Luis)
- Secretary resigned and new secretary elected (Jennifer)
- Plans are afoot to paint the interior of the building.

Cleveland Camel Group - Greg M

Early Bird Group – Annelisa S / Meredith Z

Good News Group – Fran C / Alt Webb B

- Round Robin/Anniversary September 14 – Two AA Speakers (Iron Mike & Gloria) Flyer to come

Goodrich Serenity Group – Dave P

- New Treasurer, New Bank
- 25th Anniversary – see flyer

H.O.W. Group – Daryl R

- Mtgs Wednesdays at 6:30 at Methodist Church/190

Into Action Group – Matthew B

Kingwood Group – Julia G

- New Saturday women's meeting at 12:30
- Continue to struggle to make the rent. Suggested donation is \$4 or \$5

Spring Group –Steffanie J

- Traditions in Relationships Workshop Sunday April 28 (Noon to 4) Bill & Terri B presenting.
- 50th Anniversary party June 30th – info to come.
- Attended Assembly

Trinity Group - Mark

Waterfront Group – Jonathan

Woodlands Serenity Group - Stephanie

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ARCHIVES (Donna F) via email

- The Lamb of God Fellowship Hall rented for D31 "Old Timers" Day on November 2, 204 from 10 a.m. to 4p.m.
- Preparing for Texas State Convention in June 21-23
- Eddie will give Archive presentation to D31 at May meeting

CFC (Eddie M) – *Formal presentation by Harold & Eddie (see above)*

CPC

GRAPEVINE (Leslie S)

- June 15 next deadline to Submit your Story (see SETA website for details)
 - Topics: Remote Communities, Culture Barriers, Sober Holidays
- 80th anniversary of GV – more information to come.

INTERGROUP LIAISON (Leta D)

- Workshop May 4th 10am-2:30 pm “What is an AA Group, how groups function, group conscience.”
- Amendment to bylaws
 - Removed and reworded verbiage, from audit of financial statements to a financial review.
 - Zero change to a system already in place that is done every three years.
 - Anytime a bylaw changes we inform all whom it applies to, Give specific rationale for the amendment and a detailed summary, reaching out to several CPA firms to conduct an audit, & explain why the cost ineffective considering the scope of operations, and a side-by-side comparison of audit and review.
- Website Hit Count
 - List available that provides how many times groups listed on the Intergroup were “clicked” on seeking more information. (data since 2018)
 - Hits have decreased since the addition of the “MEETING APP GUIDE” has been available.
 - Intergroup website is NOT Obsolete – as it continues to serve as a master site to keep the “MEETING GUIDE APP” up to date as groups move, change, etc...

IS YOUR GROUP UPDATED WITH INTERGROUP (times, locations, days?)

IT (Sergey K) Report by Cheryl

- Meet monthly – please join us online.
- National AA Technology workshop to be held in September in St. Louis,MO

LITERATURE Steffanie J

Attended the March meeting on Google meets, discussion on the 'survey' and other literature related conversation around the different changes to pamphlets that were on our delegates list. Also attended assembly and participated in the round table discussions around adding information to either existing or creating new pamphlets. We were able to send our delegate to New York informed but not directed.

PI (Byron T)

- Still need volunteers to help distribute information.
- Attended Health Fair at Lonestar Tomball location with an information table. Attendees included counselors, treatment facility reps and recovery center counselors. Handed out AA information.
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TFC (Taylor C)

- Attended Ad Hoc Committee discussion to have “Bridge the Gap” chair for each area/group.
- Still in need of Area level support and assistance.

OLD BUSINESS

- Open position for Alternate PI – Remains Open. Asked all GSR's to ask at their home groups for possible representation for this position.
- Open position for Cooperation with the Professional Committee (CPC) & Alternate
 - Cheryl motioned for approval of Baheyya to fill CPC position for remainder of the term. Elected by acclamation.
 - Cheryl motioned for approval of Benjamin to fill Alternate CPC for remainder of term. Elected by acclamation.

NEW BUSINESS None

CLOSING – 4:00 pm with Responsibility Pledge