

District 9 GSR Meeting for October 2011 Sunday, November 6, 2011

DCM LaVon L called the meeting to order at 6:40 PM with the Serenity Prayer.

ROLL CALL: Dawn B. Alt. DCM Gene A. Treasurer

Visitors: Glenna A., Christen T.

Absent: Sally H., Pink Can; Larry G. Schedules, Archives, Treatment

Groups Absent: Language of the Heart; Tuesday Night Promises; M-F Primary Purpose Group; Friends of Bill W.; DOG GONE Men's Group

Minutes of September were read and approved.

Treasurer's report: Gene A. Treasurer's Report was read; MSP to accept Treasurer's Report.

GSR reports-

Water Tower: Bill W.~ Avg. 12-18

SMEO: Gene A.~ Avg. about 20, Christie has 9 months

Touch on Feelings: Gene A.~ 6-8 weekly, inside for the winter, no birthdays

Language of the Heart: absent

Early Birds: Dan T.~ Avg. attendance 11, no birthdays to report.

Tuesday Promises: absent

Sunday Big Book: Sherry~ last Friday of the month is birthday meeting with everyone welcome to celebrate, followed by home group meeting. We had a theft from our cabinet of about a week's 7th Tradition and Pink Can money. It was between meetings on a Saturday. Apparently someone walked into the church while it was open, went into the room where our cabinet is kept, and broke into both the cabinet and the locked section where the money is kept. All meetings are going well, with attendance at Friday from 25-40.

VA 12x12: Earl R~ attendance varies, avg 8-12, good meetings

VA Monday & Wednesday: Shernie F~ no GSR or home group, but meetings are still going, changed back account to credit union, changed time of Wednesday meeting to 7:00 PM as of November 2

As Bill Sees It: Ken T~ Attendance averages 16-20, three birthdays.

M-F Primary Purpose: absent

Thursday Open: Jared F.~ Changed meeting time, is now 7:30-9:00 PM, avg. 12-15, new coins are awesome, need more home group members.

Friends of Bill W: absent

Committee Reports-

Activities, Sherry B: Banquet next Saturday. Discussion: Motion passed to changed menu to Thanksgiving meat, 2 hams and 4 turkeys. La Von will check to make sure that Ray is cooking. Dan volunteered to help. Gene will buy meat tomorrow. Motion passed to include 8 boxes of stuffing (2 per turkey) and cook it with the meat.

Answering Service, Bill L: October Report: 12 calls, 6 men, all informal. Bill was \$12 this month.; Written report attached.*

Corrections, Bill L: Bill is not pushing Larry to make changes on the schedules because so many changes are ongoing at the prison. Every other month Bill will go up. Mark M. is trying to get approved to go unescorted. Bill won't be here next month. He is trying to get items from the prison for archives and already has some pictures. The portion of the prison where the longest ongoing prison meeting in the country has met is going to be closed and they are trying to make sure everything is collected from that area and moved to new meetings.

2. Jail report from Glenna A. They are currently understaffed, but if they go to 12-hour shifts they will begin holding meetings again.

Pink Can, no report

Newsletter, Sherry B: Sherry and Gene both sent new officers and District report in to Area for Newsletter, but we still aren't in there. We will investigate.

Schedules, Larry G: Sent new schedules with LaVon, no report for Treatment or Archives; Sherry is going to make addition to schedules with changes and new officers, so we can update the current schedules and still use them.

Treatment & Archives, Larry G~ Absent, no report.

CPC & PI, No committee chair, no report.

DCM report, La Von was unable to go to Nelson due to last-minute illness but received notes from Virginia. Notes are attached, and a DCM report from La Von is attached.*

Old Business: none

New Business:

1. Discussion as to how we greet people when they come in for this meeting. Dan expressed that he felt unwelcome the way he was asked what meeting he represented. Sherry apologized for being short and explained she was just trying to get the roll call done quickly. Existing members said that they didn't realize they were making people feel unwelcome and said that we would all do better. Thanked Dan for bringing up the topic. Dan asked if we could do something to let everyone in the district know that they were welcome at this meeting. Sherry will put something on the addition to the schedules and also will make a sign for the door of the room while District is going on so that people looking for other meetings know this is AA District and welcoming all AA members who want to attend.

2. Motion that the District defray Virginia's expenses up to \$150 because La Von did not attend Area in Nelson. La Von explained that she had planned on paying half the gas and hotel room, and that Virginia had made plans based on that. Motion passed to pay District 18 \$150.

3. Motion was made and passed to pay for child care at the Gratitude Banquet. Bill explained that if we use the nursery we have to hire nursery attendants from the church. District will pay for two sitters for two hours each, to watch children during the speaker meeting.

7th Tradition was held and meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer at 8:00 PM.

Next District 9 meeting will be held Sunday, December 4, at 6:30 PM.

YIS, Sherry B