

MINUTES

General Service Panel 53 District 90 - Solano North July 7, 2004 New Horizons

The meeting was opened at 7:00 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer. Barbara read concept 2, and Angelique read the GSR Preamble. Francisco, the area alt-delegate was the visiting Area Officer. Linda, alt-GSR for the Tuesday Ladies group was present. Tony W. celebrated his 12th year sobriety birthday. Congratulations to our illustrious leader! The minutes were reviewed and accepted as submitted.

DCM and GSR Reports:

DCM - Kate did not attend the area meeting this month. Thank you to all the delegates that had attended the recent Unity Day. And thanks to all the groups that helped make this special Unity Day - District Anniversary celebration a success.

Brown Baggers - Kathy reported that the meeting is "ok". Friday's meeting will be in need of a secretary. Still Human - Barbara B. reported that attendance at the business meeting was small. There was little attendance from the group at the Unity Day.

Primary Purpose - Angelique said most service positions are rotating. Welcome 2 new home group members, Molly/Debbie. There was good attendance at the business meeting. The group is considering a change to the meeting format. This change may include an end of month birthday meeting and possibly an annual anniversary celebration. Currently researching/gathering the group's historical background. Also, the group is considering distributing sobriety chips to attendees. Regarding the change to the "Responsibility Statement": the change was presented, the group requires more discussion before making a decision.

Tuesday Ladies - Susanne/Linda Susanne was on vacation so was unable to attend the business meeting and Unity Day. The group is considering changing the business meeting from the 2nd Tuesday to the 1st Tuesday, due to conflicts. Some new officers in service positions, currently all positions are filled including alt-GSR, Linda. The group is considering changing its meeting location, new locations are currently being sought. The group is making rent and distributions.

Sunday Men's Stag - Bruce M. Speed record set at recent business meeting. Unfortunately, only 3 people attended this month's business meeting, which is held the 3rd Monday of the month. Bruce did not attend himself and he attributed the poor attendance to "summertime blahs". Bruce felt properly chastised by his fellow Stag members at the last meeting. The group's currently focused on the annual men's (no women allowed) camp out.

Seekers - John Q. reported that the Seekers group has moved to a new meeting location on Vine St. check the schedule for the address. Attendance has been great! Seekers recently hosted the All-Groups Birthday meeting. Our own Chris D. was the speaker and he did a terrific job! The meeting attendance was okay, there were 3 people celebrating birthdays for a total of 20 years of sobriety.

All-Groups - John Q. reporting, we need a group to host the birthday meeting for July, and there are several more months available please contact a steering committee member if you are interested.

Easy Does It - Ken M. reporting; the group is currently discussing a possible change to the meeting format and others. A new secretary will be taking over as July 1. The group will host the August All-Groups meeting. The group supported the IG picnic, by volunteering to do the barbecuing for the day. Seven home group members attended the Unity Day festivities. A representative will be attending the upcoming Forum in Seattle.

Group 86 - Carole D. reporting the group is doing fine. 86 is also re-working their meeting format for the beginners meeting. Proposed "Responsibility Statement" changes will be discussed at the business meeting.

IAF - Tony W. reported that the fellowship will be hosting a July 4th Anniversary celebration! Candlelight Meeting. The fellowship will also be conducting marathon meetings over the July 4th holiday.

DCMC Report: Tony W. reported that he was unable to attend this month's area meeting. And unfortunately, he will also be unable to attend July's meeting. However the following issues were discussed:

Housekeeping motions:

1. "That CNCA form an ad hoc committee be formed to create a bid for hosting the 2008 PRAASA", this motion was passed
2. "The Area fund the replacement of the BTG display for assemblies/ conferences, the amount not to exceed \$200", this motion was passed.
3. "The CNCA Website Policies/Guidelines/Procedures be modified to include under 'Pre-defined content' 7. Etc.", this motion will be new business next month.

Old business to be discussed next month:

1. Linguistic Districts' Interdistrict meetings etc.
 2. Suspension of Area Committee Meetings in the months that we have Assemblies.
 3. Proposed Non-Theist pamphlet motion, pro and con arguments were published in the March 2004 issue of the Comments and Comentarios.
 4. Proposed creation of a standing Interpretation and Translation Committee.
- Summer Assembly is scheduled for August 21, 2004, in Fortuna, California.

New business:

1. Proposed changes to the Standing Committee and Responsibility statement.
2. Pre-Conference Assembly next spring (April 2-3 or 9-10, 2005). A location has not been identified.

Treasurer's Report: Carole D. reported a good news/ bad news situation. Bad news: Bill was not present due to recent job change. He will not be able to continue with his service commitment. Good news: Income for the month was \$700.63, up from last month. Expenses were \$777.54 for the month; this amount includes the expense for the recent Unity Day (\$604.30).

Registrar's Report: Larry J. reporting. Not much to report. A reminder that any changes such as new AltGSR etc. should be submitted promptly. It's good to be here. Carole D. asked for copies of the registration forms from the recent Unity Day so that she may add them to the archives. She also added that copies of the 'district history and facts' information shared at the Unity Day are available to any who is interested.

PI/CPC: No report.

Lit/Grapevine Report: Carole D. One new GV rep attended the recent monthly meeting. The committee is focusing on cleaning out and organizing materials. Several interesting articles and older issues of the GV magazine were discovered while this clean up and are available for everyone's review. GV magazine is available on line; however, it is no longer free. Sign up forms are available at the groups.

Bridging the Gap: Tim D. reported that the committee is spending money "like a drunken sailor!", just like the old days. Two members attended the business meeting. No contacts were made this past month. The committee is soliciting the area's support. The Area committee needs a new assembly display and VCR. \$200 has been allocated to this project. However, a new monitor was not included in this allocation. A second allocation of \$400 has been granted to put together a "BTG start up kits" for new committee chairpersons. A vote was authorization a member of the BTG committee to attend the National BTG Conference.

Area Officer's Report: Francisco A. reporting. I am so happy to be here! I hope that some of you will be able to attend the Forum in Seattle on July 16, 17, and 18. The summer assembly in Fortuna is scheduled for August 21, 2004. Several workshops are scheduled. These workshops will focus on how we apply the traditions in our home groups, at home and at work. Other topics to be discussed, singleness of purpose, how can the districts better support PI/CPC. An ad hoc committee was created to prepare a bid for hosting the 2008 PRAASA. Five members were selected. The AA Membership Survey will be conducted. Twenty-one groups within CNCA have been selected to participate. No groups from District 90 were selected. The area committee will assist DCMs and GSRs. The survey will be conducted August 1 through the 20th. The 2004 PSA Distribution Schedule. Updating lists of stations currently broadcasting PSAs. New/additional ads are not intended to replace local PI PSA efforts. They are meant to supplement

these efforts. The area committee may request changes to this schedule, any requests must be submitted by 7-15-04. I recommend that Districts write and send letters to their local TV/Radio stations to thank them for their support.

Unity Day: Carole D. reporting. This Unity Day was a "silver anniversary" celebration of the existence of District 90. Approximately 150 people attended. Thanks to everyone that helped in making this very special event successful. Thanks to those of you whom shared your historical experiences with us, they made this day. For the future reference, we need more help with set-up, kitchen duties. Thanks again. Carole will pass on any planning information she has to the archives. Tony W. has copies of the skits, if anyone is interested in reviewing. (Big thanks/applause for Carole D.)

Old Business:

New voting procedures to be added to GSR Guidelines. Voting procedures to be following same format used at CNCA.

Golden Service Manual Award selection criteria: more discussion is required. Issue will carry forward to next month.

Ad hoc committee to update GSR manual. Recommendation to complete a review of the existing manual by end of panel tenn. Committee to meet Tuesday July 27th, 7:00p.m. at Tony's home. Mike D. will attend to represent GSRs.

New Business:

Summer Assembly - Ken M. reporting. Proposed dates are August 13 or 20th, 2005. We need to secure a location 1-year in advance. The CNCA will fund the deposit. Proposed location is the Ulatis Cultural Center.

Unity Day, should we have another?

Election Assembly is scheduled for October 2004.

Intergroup report: Eight delegates were present at last month's meeting. Attendance is down due to summer vacations. The IG Picnic was held and was attended by approximately 100 people. Good food and fellowship was had by all. Thanks to all the groups that help that day, Tuesday Ladies, Easy Does It, IAF, Sunday Eye Openers, Seekers and Twin Cities. We are in need of a chairperson for our Entertainment committee; anyone that might be interested please contact one of the IG board members.

Solypaa: No report. A dance is being planned details are forthcoming.

H&I: Tim D. reporting. Workshop is scheduled for July 24th, 2004, at the Vaca Valley Alano Club from 1-4p.m.

NCCAA: There is a conference this weekend in Stockton. July 9-11th, 2004.

GSR Sharing Days: Next meeting will be held at Mike D.'s home. Wednesday, July 24th, 2004, at 7:30p.m.

What's on your mind?

Carole D.: lost apron has been found.

Kate: Mom's house is available for those wishing to attend assembly in Fortuna.

Francisco: Jim E., past chairman, will attend the assembly in Fortuna.

Ken M.: P AA groups? Unify or divide? What's up with that? Much discussion was had; there was no representative of Solypaa present to provide information.

Barb: Her wiggle is gone, so sad!

Take back to your groups:

Summer Assembly

- Non-theist pamphlet

- Responsibility Statement changes

Post Conference Assembly

-Ken M. district contact/questions: favorite
color; blue number; 3

Meeting was closed at 8:40p.m.with the Responsibility Declaration

Thank God,

Alice Q.