

District 5 Oregon Area 58

Meeting Minutes

October 8th, 2023

Meeting was opened with the Serenity Prayer at 4pm.

Attending: Glenn (Past DCM), Carrie B (DCM), Christine B (Secretary), Will D (Treasurer), Ron B (CPC), Davey G (Outreach), Jena C (PI), Dawna A (24 & Alive - GSR), Katie N (24 & Alive - AGSR), Chris M (Attitude Adjustment - GSR), Tony (Fleeting Thoughts - GSR), Beth M (New Horizons - GSR), Joy H (Page 21 - GSR), Joey H (Primary Purpose - GSR), Jared J (Redmond Early Risers - GSR), Chandra S (Sisters in Sobriety - GSR), Anne Z (Sober Sisters - GSR), Todd H (Steps To Sobriety - GSR), Carmack M (Thursday Night Men's Book Study - GSR), Eric S (Tumalo Group - GSR), Helen W (We Are Not A Glum Lot - GSR), Chris P (Weathering the Storm - GSR), Anders W (WFS - GSR), Nick M (Young At Heart - GSR), Kari S (Girls Gone Sober - GSR), Hilary D (Attitude Adjustment - IGR),

Welcome to new GSRs/Visitors: Kari S (Girls Gone Sober - GSR), V - Hilary D (Attitude Adjustment - IGR)

Tradition 10 Presentation:

(Short presentation on Tradition 10).

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/15mx1Monr6p6kp5zdpqW-ptqbu6rTKG7X8x43Qo5YGMa/edit?usp=sharing>

The Tenth Tradition: No A.A. group **or member** should ever, in such a way as to implicate A.A., express **any opinion on outside issues**—particularly those of politics, reform, or sectarian religion. The Alcoholics Anonymous groups oppose no one. Concerning such matters they can express no views whatever. (*Long form*)

Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on **outside issues**

The Washingtonian Society, a movement among alcoholics which started in Baltimore a century ago, almost discovered the answer to alcoholism. At first, the society was composed entirely of alcoholics trying to help one another. The early members foresaw that they should dedicate themselves to this sole aim. In many respects, the Washingtonians were akin to A.A. of today. Their membership passed the hundred thousand mark. Had they been left to themselves, and had they stuck to their one goal, they might have found the rest of the answer. But when the Washingtonians became temperance crusaders, within a very few years they had completely lost their effectiveness in helping **Alcoholics**. The lesson to be learned from the Washingtonians was not overlooked by Alcoholics Anonymous.

Never since it began has Alcoholics Anonymous been divided by a major controversial issue. This, however, has been no earned virtue. It could almost be said that we were

born with it, for, as one oldtimer recently declared, “Practically never have I heard a heated religious, political, or reform argument among A.A. members. **So long as we don’t argue these matters privately, it’s a cinch we never shall publicly.**” All history affords us the spectacle of striving nations and groups finally torn asunder because they were designed for, or tempted into, controversy. Others fell apart because of sheer self-righteousness while trying to enforce upon the rest of mankind some millennium of their own specification. In our own times, we have seen millions die in political and economic wars often spurred by religious and racial difference.^(12X12 Trad 10)

“Experience with alcohol is one thing all A.A. members have in common. It is misleading to hint or give the impression that A.A. solves other problems or knows what to do about drug addiction.” (A.A. Grp Pamphlet page 18) We all come in with many different problems in addition to alcohol. But our common problem with alcohol is what unites us. Politics, medical advice and religion are considered outside issues as well.

Concept X:

Every service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority - the scope of such authority to be always well defined whether by tradition, by resolution, by specific job description or by appropriate charters and bylaws.

District Secretary – Christine B.

Greetings District 5. Christine B. I am an alcoholic and your District Secretary.

At last month's meeting I noticed, after the fact, that not everyone in attendance -in person- had marked themselves off on the Roster as being in attendance. Please make sure that you do so at every meeting. When the Roster is sent around everyone should find or add your name and mark it off. The list is in order alphabetically by group name. Verify and/or correct your information. If when it goes around it somehow misses you, speak up and ask for it. It is important that your attendance be recorded and the Roster be kept up to date. Please do your part.

The Secretary and Treasurer positions need to be filled for the 2024/2025 rotation. I would like to say about the Secretary position that the commitment, as it has been organized, is only about five hours per month. Rotation is important. I will not be available to continue to see the job done come January. I am available to share how the job is organized for efficiency and to offer support. As we move into the future and away from the worst of COVID the number of people available for service will grow. In the meantime, I would urge all of you to have a conversation with your HP and make announcements, speaking to those who have previously served the district, that the district needs help to fill the two important positions. Please direct anyone looking for more information about the Secretary position to me.

Thank you to those of you who turned in reports. We have a rather dismal showing of reports turned in this month. A reminder that as trusted servants we are responsible to

those we serve. We each own a responsibility to report, in both directions. Anyone having trouble is encouraged to ask for help. I am available and happy to do so. If you can get your report in today it will be included in the Minutes.

A motion was made to accept the September Meeting Minutes by Ron B and was seconded by Carmack M. **Motion Passed.**

Treasurer Report – Will D.

Good afternoon District 5, my name is Will, and I am an alcoholic. My sobriety date is November 21, 2018, and my home group is New Horizons.

Today we will be reviewing the September 2023 Financials. I emailed these documents to the Secretary, and they will be posted to the District 5 website, and are accessible at: [District5aa.org>About District 5>District 5 Meeting Minutes & Treasurer Reports](http://district5aa.org>About%20District%205>District%205%20Meeting%20Minutes%20&%20Treasurer%20Reports)
<http://district5aa.org/district-5-meetng-minutes-treasurer-reports>

We are reviewing September 2023 which runs from September 1, 2023, to September 30, 2023. We will start with the first line on the upper left-hand side of the Treasury Summary, but first let us go over some definitions of the Titles used in this table.

- “Beginning” is the cash available on the 1st of the month.
- “High Threshold” is funding to cover 6 months of the current approved budget. The goal is to keep cash on hand below the high threshold.
- “Low Threshold” is funding to cover 3 months of the current approved budget. The goal is to keep cash on hand above the low threshold.
- “% of High Threshold” this percentage shows the relationship of our current cash on hand relative to our high threshold. Ideally this number should be greater than 50% and less than 100%.

Looking at September, our beginning cash position was \$11,234.15.

Contributions from groups in September were \$985.61 and we had no other contributions or sales. Expenses in September were \$1,507.59.

DCM had expenses of \$91.50 – Leaving a remaining budget of: \$3,149.72

Treasurer had expenses of \$50 – Leaving a remaining budget of: \$204.00

Access had expenses of \$0 – Leaving a remaining budget of: \$118.01

Archives had expenses of \$115 - Leaving a remaining budget of: \$1,664.00

Literature Chair had expenses of \$76.00 – Leaving a remaining budget of: \$-82.83

Cooperation with Correctional Facilities had expenses of \$53.00 - Leaving a remaining budget of: \$519.16.

Cooperation with Professional Community had expenses of \$118.31 - Leaving a remaining budget of \$451.16.

Treatment Facilities had expenses of \$351.05 – Leaving a remaining budget of \$308.87.

Grapevine/La Vina had expenses of \$0 - Leaving a remaining budget of \$242.00

Public Information had expenses of \$350.54 – Leaving a remaining budget of \$1,389.98.

Website had expenses of \$0 – Leaving a remaining budget of \$660

Workshops had expenses of \$302.19 -- remaining budget of \$2,050.86.

This leaves us with an ending Total Cash Position of \$10,712.17.

High threshold is \$9,937.50 leaving us with a total cash position of 108% of high threshold.

If any committee chairs need help accessing their allocated funds please contact me, my information is below.

Are there any questions regarding the September 2023 treasurer report?

If you have any questions, please email, or call me.


Thank you for allowing me to be of service,

Will D.
Treasurer, District 5 committee
treasurer@district5aa.org

A motion was made to accept the September Treasurer's report by Nick M and was seconded by Anders W. **Motion Passed.**

DCM Report – Carrie B.

District 5: First and foremost I would like to thank you all for participating in the elections process last month. Nick and Carmack are going to be amazing leaders for District 5! As a reminder, the district will not be able to function without a Treasurer and a Secretary. These are both very important positions and I would like to encourage you all to consider making yourself available and send in your service resumes ASAP. **Committee chairs positions available are: Website, Treatment, Accessibility, Public Information, CPC, Corrections and Outreach.** We are taking service resumes for those positions until the end of the month. Email Service resume to the DCM or use the digital form below: <https://forms.gle/fZz2kddWLJwGnAtB7>

The final event in District 5 this year is coming up. Mark your calendars now if you haven't already. The **"12 Traditions Potluck"** will be held at Saint Helens Hall **Saturday October 14th from 11-2pm.** GSRs, Alt GSRs, please plan to be there. We need your help!  Poster 8.5x11 in (31) (1) (1).pdf We will have 12 different speakers from all over Central Oregon presenting on the 12 Traditions! This is a potluck so please make sure to announce to your group to bring something to share. If you are unable to bring something, come anyway! There will be lots of food and fun! Committee Chairs, I hope you will all plan to be there with a table or booth set up representing your Service Committees. This is a great opportunity to show the fellowship where their money goes when they contribute to District 5.

Oregon Area 58: Our next quarterly assembly is coming up on **November 17-19th.** This will take place at the Holiday Inn Portland Columbia Waterfront 909 N. Hayden Island Drive, in Portland. We can book rooms starting at \$119 per night here: <https://book.passkey.com/e/50676213> Or, if you prefer to call, mention Oregon Area 58 for the special rate. Register here: <https://area58.wufoo.com/forms/november-2023-quarterly-assembly/> If you would like to share a room or a ride with someone, PLEASE INCLUDE IT IN YOUR GSR REPORT. Committee Chairs, this is the one assembly of the year you are encouraged to attend as well. You each have a budget for this and are funded. This is where the new incoming Committee Chairs will learn about their new positions!

GSB/AAWS: Completely revised redesigned pamphlet "Young People in A.A." (P-4)
<https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/EN%20Young%20People%20in%20AA%20Announcement.pdf>

Yours in Fellowship & Service,
District 5 DCM dcm05@aa-oregon.org
Carrie B. 541-788-7276

 *Please announce at your Home Group*

Unfinished Business

-District Secretary & Treasurer positions need to be filled for the 2024/2025 rotation.

Secretary

- Recommended 3-4 years of continuous sobriety.
- Recommended completion of GSR term.
- Have a working knowledge of the Twelve Traditions and a service sponsor.
- Records and distributes minutes of the District Meetings.
- Asks the body to approve prior months minutes at the business meeting.
- Assists DCM in Group inventories and sharing sessions by taking minutes.
- When visiting meetings that may not be part of a group or have a GSR, make current District 5 Announcements.
- Reprint, make available for the web and distribute District Guidelines when requested by the DCM.
- Keeps District Roster up to date.
- It is the Secretaries responsibility to notice if an Officer or Committee Chair is absent 2 meetings in a row without a report, and to reach out to them and let them know if they miss a third consecutive meeting that it is our practice to ask them to step down so that we can fill their position with someone who's able to attend the meetings.
- Two-year term rotating at the first of the year to coincide with DCM and Delegate.

Treasurer

- Recommended 3-4 years of continuous sobriety.
- Recommended completion of a GSR term.
- Have a working knowledge of the Twelve Traditions and a service sponsor.
- Generally as described in the A.A. Service Manual, A.A. guidelines, A.A. committee workbooks and other AAWS approved literature.
- Attend, report and participate at all monthly District meetings.
- Submit Treasurer report monthly to the Secretary and DCM for Distribution to the D5 committee members one week prior to the monthly district meeting.
- Picks up mail from District 5's post office box.
- Keeps records of group contributions to the District current.
- Makes deposits and cuts checks for District expenses.
- Provide financial statements at the monthly District meeting.
- Present an annual budget for next fiscal year, in October, to be taken back to the Groups for approval at the November/December District meeting.
- Update budget as needed when new motions are approved by the District Committee.
- Two-year term rotating at the first of the year to coincide with DCM and Delegate.

Committee Reports

Access Committee: Vacant

Archives: Joe H.

No report.

Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC): Ron B.

Since unofficially combining PI and CPC resources, we've had a lot more participation in the monthly meetings as our committee of 18 continues to grow. Our recent focus is on asking each home group in the district to establish a group PI/CPC liaison or representative who will be on the combined committee. This month the committee will vote on whether or not to bring a motion to the district to officially combine PI and CPC resources. Our committee meeting is on October 18th at 6 PM in the Hutchinson room at the Deschutes library in Bend. All are welcome to join us.

Thank you for letting me be of service.

Your brother in A.A.,
Ron B

District 5 CPC Chair
New Horizons Group
541-668-5975

Treatment Facilities (CTF): Brian W

No report.

Corrections: Walt W.

Virtual meetings continue awaiting approval for in person meetings. No movement towards finishing the final approval of applications by the Sheriff's Department. Despite this inmates are offered the opportunity to attend meetings via tablets from the Work Release Facility into the main jail. AA volunteers faithfully attend.

In coordination with Daryl L. in Prineville a workshop was held in Prineville September 11 to encourage more volunteers for the Crook County jail.

Yours in service
Walt W

Grapevine / La Vina: Jessie C.

No report.

Literature: Trisha M.

No report.

Outreach: David G.

Good afternoon district 5 my name is Davy and I am an alcoholic. As your outreach committee chair I do not have much to report. This is not because there isn't anything going on in the district, there is: The 12 traditions workshop and potluck is taking place October 14 from 11-2 at TEC in the fireside room. This is because as your outreach chair I have let my feelings guide myself in making decisions that are not mine to make. I decided that because of a few bad experiences in what I perceived to be hostile environments the outreach committee was unnecessary and I stopped fulfilling my duties as your chair. This idea was wrong and this decision was unacceptable for me to make. I am directly responsible to serving those in the district, you deserve better. I have a lot to learn about being a trusted servant in Alcoholics Anonymous and I look forward to continuing to learn lessons such as this as painful as they are to learn.

In Service
Davy G
Outreach

Public Information (PI): Jena C.

Hello I'm Jena, I'm a recovered alcoholic serving as your PI chair.

Our committee has been working hard this last month. We had a total of seven who attended our last committee meeting. The low turn out I believe was because of the change of Wednesday to Tuesday because the room was rented. We are back on schedule for Wednesday October 18th this month.

Our committee has been busy with dropping books off at little libraries. There are a lot of them around town and People have been checking them out. We now have a big book at Redmond airport! Great place to have a big book! Also when you walk into REI they have a little library and our big book is there. Another place we were able to place a big book is juniper fitness, as well as a flier.

We discussed advertising in the source. I will check into that and see if it's something we want to do.

Our pi pamphlets and holders are being put out in medical facilities, Dentists offices and we got one at best care We are continuing placing fliers around town! We placed one at Lava Lanes, Mothers Juice and Turning points.

We can always use more committee members! (More boots on the ground) you are welcome to attend our next meeting. Wednesday October 18th 6pm at the downtown library in the Hutchinson room. See you there!

Thank you for allowing me to be of service,
Jena C.

D5 Public Information Chair
d5aa.pic@gmail.com
541-306-0055

Website: John S.

Hi Folks:

My name is John Stark, and I am your alcoholic D5 Web Chair.

Here is my update for October 2023:

Website traffic for the past 30 days:

Website traffic is down about 15%.

Our top five visited pages for the past 30 days are:

1. Contacts
2. Forms and Downloads
3. Calendar
4. GSR Page
5. About District 5 AA Page

Our busiest website traffic days for the past 30 days are Wednesday, and Thursday.

My activities this past month:

- Calendar updates.
- Added and/or removed flyers from Home page and Calendar/Announcements page.

To Do:

- Add a free security certificate to the website. This will make the website more secure.

Reminder:

Please contact me first if a link is broken, a file is missing, or anything else that has to do with the District5aa.org website. The same for any D5 committee email issues. Thank you.

A couple additional items (recurring):

- I am happy to add any events, etc. to the website that you wish as long as they meet the District 5 Guidelines.
- Please review your specific page (GSR, Committee, etc.) and let me know if you want anything added or removed.

That's all from me! Have a great October everyone and remember to keep smiling.

Regards,

John Stark

D5 Web Chair

GSR Reports

New Horizons (Beth M - GSR)

My name is Beth and I am an alcoholic. Our group meets four days a week, Monday through Thursday at noon at TEC. For information about our group you may visit our website at newhorizonsgroupaa.com.

I attended the September Area Assembly online and it was great to be part of the Area officer election process. I always come away from an Assembly learning or reinforcing something just by being part of Area business. I want to thank our DCM, Carrie, for conducting a prep session prior to attending Area Assemblies for all GSR's and Alt. GSR's. It is a helpful addition to learning more about how to participate, understanding terminology used, and what to expect overall at the Assembly.

At our last business meeting our group voted to change our standard Thursday 11 th Step Study

format to a monthly format as follows: 1 st Thursday a Tradition Study, 2 nd Thursday Step 10 Study, 3 rd Thursday Step 11 Study, 4 th Thursday Step 12 Study, and months that have a 5 th Thursday to a Concept Study. We will use A.A. conference approved literature for each study. We are excited about this meeting format change and invite anyone to come check it out! Above all, I am thankful to be part of a group that is invested in A.A. as a whole.

In Service, Beth M., NHG GSR

Young At Heart (Nick M - GSR)

I'm an alcoholic and my name is Nick. Since we last met we have a few new home group members. A couple of members have finished their step work and are now raising their hands for sponsorship!! We had a great discussion on new ideas for PI committee due to the fatal accident that happened in our community a few weeks ago. We talked about bringing information to lumber yards and other blue collar businesses. Our PI/CPC committee chair gave us a laugh cuase he got kicked out of a bar sober, while trying to leave some of our district 5 business cards there. We will be having elections this month and will rotate first of January. I will be sure to let you guys know the results at our next district meeting.

In Love and Service

Nick M.

GSR

Young At Heart group

Steps To Sobriety (Todd H - GSR)

Hello District 5

Steps to Sobriety has a new meeting Secretary for the Saturday noon meeting so come on over and support Anthan while he leads this meeting. Let's not forget if you are one who enjoys nooners show up on Sunday and Han's can help as he leads the Sunday noon meeting for Steps.

Pleased to announce that our Tuesday night 530 pm AWOL meeting starts on the last Tuesday of the month and will run you thru the steps as a group for the next 25 plus Tuesday's our rock star Mike will be leading you through this meeting.

And finally our Friday speaker meeting now has a new lead and I would like to thank Morgan for stepping up to lead this 5 30 pm time slot. The last Friday though is a Steps to Sobriety birthday podium meeting celebrating 365 days of continuous sobriety and we have cake see you there.

Thanks for my sobriety,

Todd H

Gsr

Steps to Sobriety

Thursday Night Men's Book Study (Carmack M - GSR)

My name is Carmack and I'm an alcoholic. My home group is Thursday nite men's book study. Our group meets Thursday at 7;00 pm at the first presbyterian church at 230 ne 9th st. across from Bend H.S.

We are getting a decent number of men attending a little down in numbers from the summer short wearing months. But still a strong core group who now are in long pants :) We had a successful campout at the big river group campground. Brian cooked some awesome meals we had approx. a dozen guys ,with some more showing up on sat. with their toddlers during the day on saturday

In service

Carmack

GSR thursday nite mens book study

carmacksf@ [gmail.com](mailto:carmacksf@gmail.com)

Redmond Early Risers (Jared J - GSR)

My name is Jared and I am an alcoholic. I am the GSR for Redmond early risers. We meet Monday through Friday from 7 AM to 8 AM. We are located in the Lutheran Church off of Black Butte in Redmond Oregon.

We've been experiencing a good turn out with a handful of newcomers each morning, and occasional out-of-town visitors. If you have not visited our meeting, I suggest that you do so.

October is a month with lots of birthdays.. we would love to see you!

Jared J

Weathering The Storm (Chris P - GSR)

Old Boilerplate Language: This monthly report is on behalf of Weathering the Storm, which meets Monday–Friday, 7-8am, at Miller’s Landing Park (Bend). We host an outdoor meeting experience, year-round, and regardless of the weather conditions. If you visit our group, bring a camp chair and dress for the weather.

UPDATE: The Weathering the Storm (WTS) is now a seasonal meeting, May through September.

SUMMARY

Over the past month, the group conducted several group conscience votes which, collectively, converted our operations from “WTS: We meet year-round, regardless of the weather” to “WTS: Wait till Spring”. That is, we converted to a seasonal meeting. Our last day for this season was October 6 th . We will resume in-person meetings on the first Monday in May, 2024.

SERVICE POSITION CHANGES

Based on the conversion to a seasonal meeting, all Meeting Secretaries along with the Coin Person and the Literature Rep, are effectively released from their responsibilities. These positions will be refilled prior to the start of in-person meetings in May, 2024. Other service roles, including GSR, Business Meeting Secretary, Treasurer, IGR, etc. will remain in place for purposes of meeting continuity from one season to the next. Their rotations will happen according to the same schedule as if we continued to meet year-round.

KEY NEXT STEPS

Update the Meeting List: Steps already in motion to ensure our meeting is listed as seasonal such that newcomers and visitors do not try to attend a meeting listed as active in error.
Reconcile and Distribute Available Funds: We plan to hold a \$300 reserve to enable resumption of operations in May, 2024. Excess funds on hand will be distributed to the usual AA channels.
Embrace the Opportunity: WTS members are now free agents and will have an opportunity to explore new meetings, make new connections, and hear the message from new voices or perspectives.
Trust the Group Conscience: We will practice our “Rule 62 Model” and not get our underwear wrapped around the axel in response to this change. The way everything unfolded, if we TRUST the process, is exactly how it should be.

Celebrate! We are going to plan an end-of-season party and celebration event. It will be for the WTS group members, their families, and personally invited guests (not open to all AA). Secret passcodes will be checked at the door...

Yours in Service,
Chris P.
Interim GSR // Weathering the Storm
Steelhead.747@gmail.com // 541-410-7908 cell

Sunrise Group (Tim C - GSR)

My name is Tim and I am an alcoholic. My Group is The Sunrise Group. Our Group meets Monday through Friday, 7am at The First Presbyterian Church on 9th street. All is well at with the Sunrise group.

In Service,

Tim C
GSR
Sunrise

Page 21 (Joy H - GSR)

Greetings District 5,

My name is Joy and I am an alcoholic. My home group is the Page 21 Gr. in Prineville. We meet every Monday at 11:30 for social gathering followed by a Big Book study from 12 to 1. Come join us for a glass of ice tea & snacks. We gather in the lovely cozy basement of the Prineville Christian Church located at 1685 Lynn Blvd. There is a sandwich board along side the road as well as many AA placards that will lead you to the basement location. On the last Monday of the month is our speaker meeting. On the 30th of this month Trisha M. of Steps To Sobriety Gr. will be joining us to share her experience, strength and hope. Please check out the Page 21 Gr. speaker flyer on D-5 website or COIGAA site for all details. Trisha is also our D-5 Literature Rep. and will also be giving a 5 minute talk on tradition 10 and answering any questions you may have on this tradition. AND there's more! Trisha will also be giving a 1 to 2 minute presentation on any AA World Service literature of her choice.

My group invites you all to come join us for camaraderie over a satisfying full lunch and a yummy dessert directly following the meeting.

In loving service, GSR, Joy

Fleeting Thoughts (Tony H - GSR)

My name is Tony and I am an alcoholic, GSR for Fleeting thoughts group. Our group meets at turning points recovery center at 5:30 pm every day.

Fleeting thoughts has nothing to report at this time.

24 & Alive (Dawna A - GSR)

District 5,

24 and Alive is located at the Redmond Alano Club. Every day at 5:30 pm plus Sunday at 10:00am is a meditation meeting practicing the 11th step. Saturday at 5:30 is 12x12 book study and Sunday at 5:30 is a Big book study.

We hold our business meet the first Tuesday of every month at 6:45pm.

Attendance is up and so are contributions. 24& Alive will be making our contributions this coming week. Checks are in the mail.

I would like to introduce our alternate gsr Katie.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service

Dawna A

GSR

24 and alive

Liaison Reports

Intergroup:

Hi Hilary Alcoholic

I am very happy to be here as vice chair of Intergroup and to let you know what is happening at Intergroup in general. -At the last meeting on September 24th, the "New Positions Definitions" were revised , updated and completed and are now available for anyone to view at COIGA website if they are interested in a commitment with Intergroup. -This is very timely as the Intergroup chairs will be rotating out this coming January. -We will be holding IGR elections for the positions November 26th so it would be appreciated if this information could be taken back to your Home Groups. -The hotline is in need for volunteers. 6-month sobriety requirement. The available times are: Monday 9am – 1pm and 1pm -5pm, Wednesday 9am – 1pm and 1pm -5pm. Volunteers willing to be on the list for 12 step calls.. ! year sobriety requirement. Areas are: LaPine, Sunriver, Tumalo, Warm Springs, Prineville. Anyone who can be of help please contact Lauren with your phone nubner by email LDS19461977@gmail.com or through the COGI website. There is a potluck and speaker Meeting in Prineville October 28th 5pm to 8pm. The Alcathons' have been confirmed in Brooks Hall for Thanksgiving and Christmas Day 2023.

Thank you for letting me be of service.

Hilary

AI-Anon: Christina L.

No report this month.

YPAA: Vacant

New Business

- Motion regarding the administrative question of In Sync Rotation for Committees. - Brought by Christine B. **Administrative motion that all District Committee Chairs rotate in even numbered years, in-sync with the District Officers, GSR's and Conference Delegate.** Seconded by Nick M. **Motion passed.**
- Motion regarding the administrative question of renaming the Website Committee. - Brought by Christine B/John S (Website Committee) **Administrative motion to rename the Website Committee to the IT Committee which will absorb current Access Committee hybrid duties.** Seconded by Anders W. **Motion passed.**
- Discussion regarding whether we need an Outreach Committee? - Can GSRs communicate effectively? Understanding that the position came about due to the effects of COVID and was not necessarily intended to be permanent. We don't want to bully meetings into becoming groups. Take question back to groups.

Ask-it-Basket

- n/a

Closing Announcements / Questions

- Open Service Positions: **Secretary, Treasurer**
- Questions?

Motion to adjourn: Glenn
Motion Seconded: Chris
Motion passed.

Meeting was closed with Why Do We Need A Conference?, from page 40 of the service manual at 5:16 pm.

Why Do We Need a Conference? (Service Manual, Page 40)

The late Bernard B. Smith, nonalcoholic, then chairperson of the board of trustees, and one of the architects of the Conference structure, answered that question superbly in his opening talk at the 1954 meeting: "We may not need a General Service Conference to ensure our own recovery. We do need it to ensure the recovery of the alcoholic who still stumbles in the darkness one short block from this room. We need it to ensure the recovery of a child being born tonight, destined for alcoholism. We need it to provide, in keeping with our Twelfth Step, a permanent haven for all alcoholics who, in the ages ahead, can find in A.A. that rebirth that brought us back to life.

"We need it because we, more than all others, are conscious of the devastating effect of the human urge for power and prestige which we must ensure can never invade A.A. We need it to ensure A.A. against government, while insulating it against anarchy; we need it to protect A.A. against disintegration while preventing over integration. We need it so that Alcoholics Anonymous, and Alcoholics Anonymous alone, is the ultimate repository of its Twelve Steps, its Twelve Traditions, and all of its services.

"We need it to ensure that changes within A.A. come only as a response to the needs and the wants of all A.A., and not of any few. We need it to ensure that the doors of the halls of A.A. never have locks on them, so that all people for all time who have an alcoholic problem may enter these halls unasked and feel welcome. We need it to ensure that Alcoholics Anonymous never asks of anyone who needs us what his or her race is, what his or her creed is, what his or her social position is."

Tools for GSRs

D5 Ask-it-basket:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeLmZpf2ID4qdx14XVkyYpxq2-NvnLPQdUm6aT7gEB1vrcLw2g/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0>

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