

“District 5, Oregon Area 58
Business Meeting Agenda
Sunday January 10, 2021
Open with the Serenity prayer

Attending: Kyle R, Helen, Jill B, Paul S, Reed K, Kelly J, Pilar T, Walt W, Carrie B, Geri H, Lauren S, Christine B, Jamie S, and Renee H.

Welcome New GSR's

Welcome Paul S. WFS alt. GSR

Tradition One (long form)- “Each member of Alcoholics Anonymous is but a small part of a great whole. A.A. must continue to live or most of us will surely die. Hence our common welfare comes first. But individual welfare follows close afterward.”

District Secretary: Renee H. Please email me your report at d5aa.secretary@gmail.com by Wednesday following the District 5 business meeting so I can get the minutes to our DCM by the end of the week. Minutes were not available and could not be voted on.

Treasurer: Walt W. (Treasurer report attached)

Contributions: \$424.38

Expenses: \$106.00

Reconciled Ending Balance: \$7889.78

Reed K made a motion to accept the treasure report, Lauren 2nd the motion, report was accepted.

DCM: Bonnie C.

Hello District 5,

Please thank your groups for their continued support to the District. I am thankful for all the work that is being done to support that alcoholic that still suffers and excited to see our fellowship work together to fill open service positions we have available. The District is still looking to fill our Grapevine, Cooperation with Treatment Facilities, Archives, and Accessibilities Chair. These vital service positions are key in helping to get information out to individuals to let the know what AA can offer, where we can be found, and how we can be of service in our community. If you know of anyone that is looking to be of service please direct them to myself or Kyle R, for we would love to have a conversation. If anyone is looking for more information on these different positions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Coming up next month we have our next virtual OR Area 58 Assembly taking place February 26 -28, 2021. Details on our GSR Orientation and the Log in information for the assembly will be distributed as the time gets closer. Here is the page for updated information from our Area regarding assemblies: <https://www.aa-oregon.org/upcoming-assemblies/>

Please make sure you spread the word about virtual PRAASA taking place March 5 – 7, 2021. Here is the link for any information including registration: <https://www.praasa.org/home> Please spread the word to your homegroups.

PRAASA is a exciting weekend full of many presentations regarding different aspects of service from all over our Pacific Northwest Region. I hope to see many of you there!

Thank you for letting me be of service, Bonnie C.

Alternate DCM: Kyle R.

Hello, District 5!

My name is Kyle R. and I am an Alcoholic. It is my humble pleasure to serve as the Alternate DCM for District 5. Thank you as always for your groups' support of the district.

Vera F and I have been discussing our upcoming District 5 Grapevine Workshop and I am looking forward to seeing you all there!. We have a fun and exciting workshop planned with a showing of a Grapevine Sketch, Trivia, and prizes, as well as time for questions and discussions about this incredible resource for sobriety. Vera and I are hoping to make this a little different atmosphere from our usual workshops, instead focusing on a time for fun and fellowship in keeping with

the Grapevine's roll as our meeting in print! The workshop will be on Saturday January 30 at 7:00. Please invite anyone you know who would enjoy this fun evening of fellowship. The zoom meeting ID is 452 445 6433 and the password will be D5!. I've included the link in my full report as well.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4524456433?pwd=bkIYZWtLK212dEdkS2ZoQjhNU25Ndz09>

Thank you all for your support of the district and our fellowship as a whole. I am looking forward to another wonderful year in service with all of you!

Yours in loving service, Kyle R. Alt DCM

Assembly Host Committee Chair: Christine B.

Good afternoon. My name is Christine, and I am an alcoholic.

Progress is being made and we are coming closer to the time when it will be decided if the Assembly will happen in person this May or if it will be rescheduled for a later date. In the meantime, we continue to proceed as though the Assembly will happen in May. An event of this size cannot be thrown together at the last minute. The decision will ultimately be made by the Host Committee, taking into consideration the health and wellbeing of the membership as individuals, groups, and AA as a whole. Determining factors will, of course, come from various sources such as the government, the Riverhouse, and the group conscience to help guide us in our choice.

At our last meeting: As the Speaker Chair, Carrie B has done her best in the position and is essentially done. She was available for the Alternate Chair position and was voted in. Louise L was available for the Prayer Chair position that had become vacant and was voted in. Results of the previous poll taken for the theme of the Saturday lunch panel showed Sponsorship as having been chosen by the committee. The mugs are in and are available for \$7.00 each.

We had three raffle basket winners: Basket #1 from the **Step Sisters**, Monday Night, 7:00pm group went to Rita S from Bend. Basket #2 from the **Sunday Morning Serenity**, 10:00am group went to Pat Roden from Bend. Basket #3 from the **Sisters in Sobriety**, Saturday, 5:00pm group went to Sandi from Redmond. Many thanks to all three groups for their contributions. Congratulations to all three of our basket winners!!! I am still gathering baskets.

A New Year's Eve event was put together at the last minute by our new Alternate Chair along with a committee of five. Ron B and Geri from New Horizons, Christopher and Valerie from Online Early Risers, and Jamie from the Firing Line. They did a great job despite the time crunch.

We are still in need of an Archivist and particularly a Self-Support chair. I would ask that we all continue to actively look for a person to fill this important role. We have had some success with the raffle baskets, the New Year's event, and mug sales, however there is a way to go. A person to guide, direct, and provide focus to this area is needed as soon as possible.

The Assembly is for us. As a group I hope to see us each do our part to make this a successful event, whenever it is held. Our GSR's are the informal members of the committee. We took this back to our groups and they voted to have this Assembly here. We need to all step up to get the word out and get our groups involved. This IS a time of change. I am hoping we can come together to recognize recovery, practice unity, and be of service to this event and each other. Questions are welcome. You can contact me at cdbergland42@gmail.com.

Thanks to all for their service, Christine B.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Renee H. brought up posting meetings minutes on website since our DCM may not be available to do this due to family illness. The GSRs were in favor of this. Kyle said he would reach out to Bonnie to see if she minded.

Committee Reports: (time allowing)

Access: - Open

Archives- Open

Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) – Carrie B.

My name is Carrie and I'm an alcoholic. My Home Group is the New Horizons Group. I am currently serving as District 5 CPC Chair. Our Next Quarter Business meeting we will discuss another workshop. Our last CPC workshop was based on the CPC workbook and was focused on how AA members are able to best carry the message to professionals.

The next one will be directed **TO** the Professionals themselves.

If your group would be interested in offering a service position as your group's CPC/PI representative, I have included a service position description that I can recommend. **Please take this back to your group** so that they can consider electing a representative from your group to be on the district committees. I am also willing to make myself available to your group as your D5 CPC chair, if you would like to invite me to your Business meeting to give a 5-minute presentation to explain what being part of the CPC Committee entails, and to introduce the proposed service position to your group.

Thank you for allowing me to serve District 5

Carrie B. (CPC Chair)

PI/CPC Group Rep/Liaison

To represent Your Home Group on the District Public Information and Corporations with the Professional Community committees.

Service Position Requirements:

- 2 year sobriety /1 year term
- A strong understanding of the 12 Traditions, or have a Service Sponsor who is willing to help you to learn about them

Duties:

- Reach out to the District PI and CPC Chairs to let them know you have been elected by your Group to be part of the committee
- Attend any and all District PI and CPC Committee meetings
- Volunteer to do service on these committees
- Attend your groups monthly Business meetings and give a PI/CPC report
- When your term is up and the next person is elected, attend their first committee meeting with them and introduce them to the committee. Explain their duties to them by going over this list with them and help them to learn the ropes.

Group PI/CPC Representatives: work with the district PI and CPC committees to carry the A.A. message locally. They periodically inform their home groups of local activity and may arrange for group volunteers to participate in programs requested by schools, businesses, law enforcement agencies and other organizations interested in the A.A. approach to recovery from alcoholism. Using many suggested methods ranging from personal contact to public service announcements on radio and TV, groups and their members reach out, working within the framework of Tradition Eleven. Both the PI Workbook and CPC Workbook offers suggested guidelines in furthering this vital group-service activity. District committees, focus on cooperation but not affiliation with professionals in the community — educators, physicians, the clergy, court officials and others who often are in contact with active alcoholics. Read More in AA Group Pamphlet page 26.

Cooperation with Treatment Facilities (CTF) – Open

Corrections - Matt F.

Grapevine- Open

Public Information (PI) -Ryan

Website- Ben R.-

Intergroup

GSR Reports:

GSR January 2021 Report- Home Away From Home Group

Due to COVID-19, all in person and virtual English and Spanish speaking meetings for the Home Away From Home Group are currently suspended until further notice.

Any literature contributions to the HAFHG are welcomed and always greatly appreciated. The Home Away From Home Group would like to thank the Primary Purpose group, along with individual members for contributing AA approved literature. We thank you SO much! Unfortunately, due to lockdown, inside members who were previously able to meet on their unit to share the AA message with each other, are no longer able to do so. Literature seems to be the biggest way our members are staying connected to Alcoholics Anonymous during this difficult time. Your contributions have

been the AA light to our inside members! I was reminded in a meeting yesterday that even in these times of solitude, literature can still go where we can't!

If any groups and/or individual members are interested in sponsoring a La Viña or Grapevine subscription to our inside AA members or would like to contribute other AA approved literature, you can contact myself or Tim C.

Another way to be of service to our inside members is to register with GSO for the Corrections Correspondence Service that matches inside member with outside members. If you would like more information please visit:

https://www.aa.org/pages/en_us/corrections-correspondence-service.

Currently, the badging process has been placed on hold until further notice. There are still ways, however, that we can be of service! If you have any questions please speak to Tim C or Pilar TC.; call or text: 541-819-0448; or email:

home.away.from.home.group@gmail.com.

Yours, collectively, in love and service: the inside- and outside-members of the HAFHG of AA

Attitude Adjustment-Kelly B.

Attitude Adjustment meets Monday through Friday 7am on the zoom platform. The meetings are still well attended, anywhere from 20 to 40 people. Our seventh tradition is still steady with few expenses, and after bills money is still being distributed between GSO, Intergroup, Area and District. I am excited to report that we have filled the treasurer position! It's been an open position for a few months, so I was grateful to see someone step into service. The money that our group voted to contribute to the May Area assembly has been sent out, check is in the mail. Hooray! I have been promoting the assembly per usual and trying to emphasize the need for physical help, not just monetary. Thanks to that committee for all their hard work. I also have been reminding my homegroup of the service opportunities available at the district level and how to get in touch with either the DCM or Alt DCM with any questions or concerns. Another thing I touched on was the February Assembly. I informed them that it is the pre-conference assembly, meaning that our delegate will be informing us of the agenda items going to be discussed at the 71st General Service Conference. I let them know that most of the agenda items are going to be carried over, due to the pandemic and structure of the first GSC via zoom last year. I sent them a link to the final report of the conference last year, to get a head start on things they might want to discuss. I gave them another reminder about the Grapevine/La Vina "carry the message" project, never hurts to plug that, and included a flyer with more information. As far as old business, we discussed more about the appearance of the QR code during our meetings and the distribution of chips and literature per our chips and literature person. Our data chair is doing an excellent job of circulating flyers passed along to him by homegroup members of online events and workshops all throughout the nation, offering much needed unity and connection. All in all things are going well and I am happy to be providing as much information as possible to my group in this time of need.

thanks guys,

Kelly

Sunday Morning Serenity-Lauren S.

Hello, my name is Lauren, and I am an Alcoholic. GSR for Sunday Serenity, my home group. We meet on Zoom, at 10:00 AM -the Id# 897 2556 9078 Password Serenity. Also, we have a Venmo Account. Our group contributed a gift basket to the 2021 Bend Area Assembly, which was raffled off on December 28.

Wishing you everyone a Healthy, Happy, Sober and Safe 2021

In Fellowship and Service, Lauren

Sisters in Sobriety Women's group-Jill B.

The Sisters in Sobriety Women's group meets Saturday from 5-6 PM on zoom. We have fairly consistent attendance between 12 and 17 women including some people joining us from other states. We have been having between two and three newcomers each week. The group has a Venmo account and contributions are made to the AA service organizations regularly. Elections were held last month, and all service positions were filled except a new GSR. I will continue to be the GSR until someone steps forward to replace me.

Thank. You, Jill B.

KISS-Christine B.

Good afternoon. My name is Christine, and I am an alcoholic.

The group continues as a hybrid meeting, though for the next two weeks our equipment will be out of town and the in-person and zoom meetings will be separate. This situation once again leads back to the question of buying equipment. Our rent is paid for the next two months however our 7th tradition is light. The group voted to spend half of its' remaining balance above the prudent reserve, about \$33, on the basket that is being prepared for the Assembly raffle. A separate 'fund' has been started for the equipment needed for a hybrid meeting. Members of the home group have started making additional contributions specifically for this purpose though it may be that it will be unnecessary by the time the estimated \$800 is brought in. If it works out that way the money will be distributed as the group conscience finds appropriate.

WFS-Brenna L.

Greetings,

WFS continues to meet on Wednesday's, Friday's and Sunday's at 7pm via Zoom and hold a monthly business meetings. We are holding a group inventory on 1/23/21 from 1pm-4pm via Zoom. We recently sent out contributions to GSO/Intergroup/District/Area and the May Assembly.

Thank you and Happy New Year. Brenna L.

Firing Line-Jamie S.

My name is Jamie, and I am an alcoholic. The Firing Line is my homegroup and am currently serving as General Service Representative. On Christmas Day The Firing Line hosted a meeting. We went over all the promises in the book from 1-164. We had a lot of newer attendees and it was great to share hope that comes. December's speaker meeting was 12/28. There was a 5-minute presentation on Tradition 12 and main speaker was Joel S from New Horizons. We were honored to have him share his story. January's speaker meeting is 1/25. There will be a 5-minute Tradition presentation on Tradition 1 and main speaker is Jeff V from The Northern Plains Group. That is all I have to report at this time. In love and gratitude, Jamie S

New Horizon-Carrie B.

My Name is Carrie and I'm an Alcoholic. My home group is New Horizons.

We are still holding our meetings online, as well as our business meetings and committee meetings. Our Business meeting was Tuesday and we had 45 in attendance at that business meeting. 40 Home Group members, and 5 Non-Home Group member observers from other groups. We voted to rent a larger Zoom room because some of our meetings were getting up to 100 people and some of our own home group members couldn't get in. Our room now holds 500.

Our new Traditions literature study, at **12 noon on Sundays**, is on the COIG site and listed as a weekly meeting. You are all welcome to join us.

Our workshop committee is working hard on the weekend long 3-day Roundup coming up next month. Because this will take place on the zoom platform, there is no registration fee. However, registration is now full. We have a committee meeting on Tuesday to determine whether we want to open registration up to 1000 members or keep it at 500. If we decide to open it up for more to register, we will let intergroup know as soon as possible so that those who didn't have an opportunity to register yet may do so ASAP.

For more information regarding our meeting changes, updates, and upcoming events, or to listen to past speakers visit our Website NewHorizonsGroupAA.com

In Gratitude, Carrie B.

Announcements:

*****Saturday, January 23rd, 2021, will be our 15th annual Area Orientation. 9am to 5pm (Pacific time)**

Meeting ID: 920 3447 6495

Passcode: 061035

Dial in

1 346 248 7799

1 408 638 0968

<http://tiny.cc/a58orientation>

*****Grapevine Mystery Theater-January 30th 7:00-830pm**

Meeting id# 452 445 6433

Password D5!

*****Pacific Region Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly March 5-7, 2021**

<https://www.praasa.org/home>

Close with responsibility statement 5:30 pm.