

District 5, Oregon Area 58  
Business Meeting  
Sunday February 14th, 2021  
Open with the Serenity prayer at 4:03 p.m.

**In attendance:** Bonnie C., Kyle R., Catherine S., Jill B., Geri H., Walt W., Carrie B., Brenna L., Reed K., Jamie S., Pilar T., Kelly B., Lauren S., Renee H., Helen W., Jason T., Liz D., Matt F., & Rob L.

**Welcome New (General Service Representative) GSR's:**

Jason T.-We Are Not A Glum Lot

Liz D.-Tuesday Night AA

**Visitor:** Rob L.

**Tradition Two Discussion**-For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority...a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants...they do not govern.

**District Secretary:** Renee H. Please email me your report at [d5aa.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:d5aa.secretary@gmail.com) by Wednesday following the District 5 business meeting so I can get the minutes posted on the website by the end of the week.

Motion to accept secretary's report as written: Reed K., seconded by Kelly B. All in favor none opposed.

**Treasurer: Walt W.**

**Contributions: \$731.07**

**Expenses: 812.00**

**Reconciled Ending Balance: \$7008.85**

I am working on putting together the District 5 budget.

Motion to accept treasurer report as written: Lauren S., seconded by Reed K. All in favor none opposed.

**DCM (District Committee Member): Bonnie C.**

Hello All,

I want to thank you and your homegroups for their continued support of our District. I also want to thank those you attended the recent Grapevine Theater Workshop. It was fun to do something different and we had members of the AA fellowship attend all the way from NYC! The Grapevine is highlighting its current issue for March and its featured section is "Making Amends." AA members share stories about their experiences making their Ninth Step Amends. Also included are powerful stories of hope by members during the current COVID-19 crisis. If you are interested in a subscription or a gift subscription for someone or someplace in our community here is the link: <https://store.aagrapevine.org/subscriptions>

- This is a friendly reminder that the Area 58 Pre-conference assembly is coming February 26th, 27th and 28th. Please make sure you zoom accounts are up to date. For instructions on how to do this, please visit: <https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362233-Upgrade-update-to-the-latest-version>
- For the Assembly agenda please visit: <https://www.aa-oregon.org/upcoming-assemblies/> and click on the appropriate PDF.
- The links below are for you to use for the Ask-it Basket on **Friday night**. Please click on either English or Spanish to submit your question and feel free to forward to your homegroup and let them submit questions as well.

Ask-it Basket – Spanish: <https://forms.gle/4SdBtBjXjJNRdRpV9>English: <https://forms.gle/aAu87oaXpZcbVd4y7>

- There is a tabled motion for this upcoming assembly, Let's talk about it for a minute and here is a link: [https://www.aa-oregon.org/download/ob-no-1\\_november-2020-assembly/](https://www.aa-oregon.org/download/ob-no-1_november-2020-assembly/)

Submitted by: Lisa Selleck

Phone Number : 971-227-9047

Email :[treasurer@aa-oregon.org](mailto:treasurer@aa-oregon.org)

Motion: ▪ One time increase of Treasurer's budget line of \$400.00

Intent/Purpose: ▪ To allow the Treasurer, Alt Treasurer and newly elected Alt Treasurer the funding to meet for training and exchange of computers/materials

Current Practice: ▪ We have done training and exchanging of materials/computers at the November assembly. With assemblies now being done virtually, we must meet in person.

Budgetary Impact: ▪ One time increase of \$400.00

- We have open positions in our District! All of these are appointed positions and Kyle and I are ready to speak to anyone that has questions or would like more information regarding these positions. Please take this list back to your home groups with a gentle reminder that these committees work for our District and they were created at the request of the homegroups. Let's make sure that we are doing everything we can as a fellowship to keep the hand of AA out there for those of us that are yet to join. I am happy to forward any job descriptions when requested. -Accessibility Chair -Archives -Cooperation with Treatment Facilities - Grapevine Chair
- Hey Guess what! PRAASA is March 5th -7th! Registration is still open and here is the link: <https://www.praasa.org/home> This is a wonderful opportunity for everyone to attend, please spread the word to your homegroup.

Thank you for showing up today and helping to continue the service taking place here in District 5. We work for you so please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns. See you all at the assembly this weekend.

Yours in Fellowship and Service, Bonnie C.

District 5 DCM [dcm05@aa-oregon.org](mailto:dcm05@aa-oregon.org) 435-612-2449

#### **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.

I had a wonderful time facilitating our Grapevine Workshop with our Area Grapevine Representative Vera F. Thank you to everyone who attended and participated. It was really exciting to try a new and more fellowship- oriented feel for one of our workshops and I definitely hope we can bring that environment to more of our workshops. I really enjoyed learning more about our Grapevine as I worked on Grapevine trivia and listened to Vera present her knowledge about this important resource.

As we move into the spring, I am excited to be scheduling our Pre-Conference discussion with our Delegate, Amber. Once we have a time that works for everyone. I will be sending out a flyer and announcement, expect us to be getting together to discuss the conference agenda items sometime in the second half of March. This is an extremely important way for your group to be involved in the General Service Conference and I hope you will all bring you and your group to share your input.

I am also looking to start planning our workshops for the next year! If you have any ideas for what you or your group would like to learn more about or have the chance to be involved with, please email me at [dcm05-alt@aa-oregon.org](mailto:dcm05-alt@aa-oregon.org). 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.**

At our next meeting, on March 8th, the committee will be looking at options and deciding on whether to hold an in-person assembly in May or to postpone it.

Have you gotten your Recovery, Unity and Service in a time of change mug yet? Please contact me to order yours at [cdberglan42@gmail.com](mailto:cdberglan42@gmail.com).

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- None

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Bonnie C, DCM will be working with Walt W, treasurer to compile data to bring to the GSR's to bring back to their home group. We are above our prudent reserve of \$2000.00 and we need to discuss this further as a district so we can decide what we want to do.
- Lauren S. Brought forth the motion. Motion: That the minutes are typed and presented to the District AA website by secretary instead of the Chairperson. The Chairperson has much to do and this way some of the burden is taken off the Chairperson and Alt. Chairperson. Second by Carrie B. Voted on administrative or urgent. Passed by 2/3 vote that this motion was administrative or urgent. Discussed and the question was called by Carrie B. Vote- 8 to 4, 5-abstaining Motion Passed.

### **Committee Reports:** (time allowing)

**Access: - Position Available**

**Archives- Position Available**

### **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.

The Next CPC Committee meeting will be held **March 9th at 1:15 pm**. If you are already part of the district and would like to be on this committee, please show up if you are available. Also please take this information back to your home group and let them know that if there's anyone looking to get involved with Cooperation with The Professional Community, to attend this meeting and ask questions and see what we are all about! Plenty of work to be done. Zoom Room ID: **914 633 670** PW: **164164**

If groups would be interested in offering a service position as their 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.

On another note, I've been asked to present on the CPC panel this coming Friday at the Women's International Convention. This will be a good way of sharing with the rest of the AA world what we have been doing in Area 58 District 5 during the pandemic. I am also looking forward to an upcoming workshop that focuses on the GSO Guidelines for CPC Work. Anyone is welcome and encouraged to attend this workshop as well. **Saturday March 6th at 3pm ID:452 100 1634 PC: 31236**

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. The 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) – Position Available**

#### **Corrections - Matt F.**

Hi Everyone, I am Matt F., and I am an alcoholic. Tuesday night jail meeting are still happening typical 2 meetings sometimes 4. A large order of soft covered Big books was just purchased to bring to the jails. They are still allowing paperwork to be submitted by AA members that want to carry the message into Deschutes jail. Please contact me at [correctionalfacilities@district5aa.org](mailto:correctionalfacilities@district5aa.org)

#### **Corrections Activities:**

##### · Meetings

- Continuing in the Deschutes County Jail every Tuesday
- 2 to 4 meetings occur every week.
- Attendance – have lost some committee members/volunteers due to COVID and/or relocation.

##### · GSR's

Please pass along to your group members that Corrections is currently accepting volunteers. If there is any interest – Reach out to Matt Faulkner at [correctionalfacilities@district5aa.org](mailto:correctionalfacilities@district5aa.org)

New volunteers will be cleared for Virtual Meetings only at this time. After COVID restrictions are lifted, new volunteers will be required to complete an orientation at Deschutes County Jail prior to entering the main jail for in-person meetings.

##### · Literature

- 3 Boxes of Big Books, 1 Box of 12x12 have been ordered through Intergroup and paid for by District 5.
- Grapevines – Ordered, also paid for by District 5.
- Distributing literature to the jail bi-monthly
- A few groups in District 5 have been sending literature directly to the Deschutes County Jail

#### **Follow-Up Activities**

- Correction Chair
- Coordinate with Crook County & Jefferson County in regard to literature and meetings.

## **Grapevine- Position Available**

### **Public Information (PI) -Ryan F**

No report submitted.

### **Website- Ben R.-**

Ben was not able to attend and does not have much to report. Please let him know if you see anything to be corrected or need added to the website. Please contact me [webmaster@district5aa.org](mailto:webmaster@district5aa.org)

### **Intergroup-Helen W.**

If making changes to your groups meeting times, location or type of meeting (physical, hybrid, online or description) please send changes to both to schedule chair and the webmaster chair. Their email addresses can be found on the [coigaa.org](http://coigaa.org) website. Click the contact tab and the email address is listed.

## **GSR Reports:**

### **Tuesday Night AA- Liz D.**

Hi, I am Liz, and I am an alcoholic. I am the new GSR for the group. Our group has a small core of people. Attendance has dropped a bit lately. We are meeting on zoom at 7:00 pm on Tuesday Night. So, come join us.

### **Attitude Adjustment-Kelly B.**

I brought to my group about the current delegate will be stepping down due to health reasons and the alter delegate will take his place. Our group also talked about opening up the meeting hall, though it does not sound like it i will be happen yet. We are still trying to fill some positions at the group. I have also been announcing and pushing the district positions. I have invited people to come to the district 5 GSR meeting to learn more about these positions. I am excited to hear the speakers that are coming to talk about them.

Kelly B.

### **WFS-Brenna**

Greetings, WFS continues to meet on Wednesday's, Friday's and Sunday's at 7pm via Zoom and holds a monthly business meeting. We held a group inventory on 1/23/21 from 1pm-4pm via Zoom, it was well attended by home group members. I look forward to attending the February assembly, especially since I don't have to drive anywhere!

I.L.A.S, Brenna

### **Sisters in Sobriety-Jill B.**

We meet Saturdays at 5PM. Attendance has been consistently growing due to new members joining this Women's group and also due to people joining from other states primarily California. Last Saturday we had 30 participants which is more than we have ever had. The group has a Venmo account and has made the splits to the various district and national groups. Our money situation is stable.

We hope to resume some of the social gatherings that we organized over the last few years but of course will need to wait until we are able to meet again face to face. For now, we meet on Zoom.

I am acting as the GSR for now since no one has stepped up to replace me for the next term. I have completed my term but since there is no one clamoring to be the GSR I will continue to do it for the next few months. In the Fall I will have to resign due to other commitments and possibly moving so hopefully someone with volunteer to take my place before then.

Jill B.

### **New Horizons-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 2 Non-Home Group member observers from other groups. We had group officer rotation. We elected a new Recording Secretary, New Treasurer, and a new Thursday Secretary for our 11th Step meeting. We also have an ad hoc committee currently working on our bylaws. This is a painstaking job, but we are all looking forward to having our past group consciences in a concise organized document. I'm sure the effort will be worth the outcome!

Last weekend our group put on an all-weekend workshop where we had 2 speakers take us through all 12 Steps and 12 Traditions. This was for sure a group effort! The workshop turned out fabulous, even with some unexpected technical difficulties we ran into with Zoom. But the best part of the entire weekend for me was emails we received from attendees who stayed after closing Friday night and listened in on our impromptu committee meeting. The emails complimented the group on how well we worked together as a team to get to a solution without blaming each other, fighting, or arguing. The emails said that we were a beautiful example of a group working in the spirit of love and respect. That it was clear we are a true family. This was for sure the highlight of the entire event for me. I love the members of my home group, and I am blessed to be part of their group.

For more information regarding our meeting changes, updates, and upcoming events, or to listen to past speakers including last weekend's workshop, visit our Website [NewHorizonsGroupAA.com](http://NewHorizonsGroupAA.com)

In Gratitude, Carrie Blake

### **Sunday Morning Serenity-Lauren S.**

Hello, my name is Lauren, and I am an Alcoholic. My home group is Sunday Serenity at 10 AM. Anneliese is our new secretary and thank you Howard for your service being our secretary.

Zoom Id is 897 2556 9078

Password is Serenity.

I hope to see you all there!

In Fellowship and Service Lauren S.

### **Home Away from Home Group-Pilar T.**

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 AA approved literature contributions to the HAFHG are welcomed and always greatly appreciated. The HAFHG would like to thank the New Horizons Group for their contribution this month! 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 is of true value to them at this time. It continues to be a main source of connection to our program of recovery. Your contributions continue to be the AA light to our inside members! As I heard from another alcoholic, "literature can 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](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](mailto:home.away.from.home.group@gmail.com).

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

### **Primary Purpose- Peter C.**

My name is Peter, I'm an alcoholic, and I have the honor of representing the Primary Purpose group as it's GSR. We currently meet in St Helen's Hall, which is located in the back half of the Red Door Kitchen building. The entrance is on Broadway, up the long ramp. Our meetings continue to be live and we meet Monday thru Friday at 5:30. We follow strict COVID protocols which include social distancing and masks must be worn at all times. Our capacity is 25 and our daily attendance ranges from 10 up to 25, depending on the day. Our home group members continue to give up their seats should we exceed our capacity, to help ensure any alcoholic who needs an AA meeting will not be turned away. Our business meeting is held immediately following the meeting on the first Tuesday of the month and our next business

meeting will be held on March 2nd. All of our service positions are filled with the exception of an alternate GSR and our current Business Meeting Secretary will be moving away in late March. Our donation last month was a case of older issues of the Grapevine to Deer Ridge prison and now that we have a new Treasurer, we anticipate making substantial contributions next month based on current guidelines of allotment.

All and all, our meetings are well attended, and our group continues to offer options for those still searching for live meetings.

In gratitude and loving service, Peter C

#### **The Firing Line-Jamie S.**

Hi, my name is Jamie, and I am an alcoholic. My home group is The Firing Line, and I am currently serving as the GSR. For the month of January, we had a short T1 presentation and Jeff V from North Dakota was the main speaker. Our speakers February is a short T2 presentation and Kail R from New Horizons is the main speaker. At this time, we are not making any plans at returning to in person. We are still meeting on zoom. I am looking forward to the February area assembly.

In love and service, Jamie S

#### **We are not Glum Lot-Jason T.**

Hi, I am Jason, and I am an alcoholic. I am the new GSR for my home group. We meet Monday Wednesday and Friday at noon online. We have a regular group of people that attend our meeting.

#### **Men's Book Study-Reed K.**

Our group meets every Thursday night 7:00 pm for one hour, (including holiday's currently on zoom. ID. And Pass Code can be found on the intergroup website, [coigaa.org](http://coigaa.org) Our attendance hovers around 20 our last meeting was 33. Our 7th tradition is fair, (we now have Venmo) and do our best to contribute to GSO, Area 58, Dist. 5, and Central Oregon Intergroup. The Men's Book Study has made its' self-available for greeters at the upcoming May 2021 Service Assembly.

Yours in Service, Reed Kay

#### **Announcements to take back to your group:**

- Area 58 Pre-conference assembly is coming February 26th, 27th and 28th. See DCM report.
- Ask-it Basket on **Friday night**. English: <https://forms.gle/aAu87oaXpZcbVd4y7>  
Spanish: <https://forms.gle/4SdBtBjXjNRdRpV9> Please click on either English or Spanish to submit your question.
- PRAASA is March 5th -7th! Registration is still open.
- GSO Guidelines for CPC Work workshop. Saturday March 6th at 3pm ID:452 100 1634 PC: 31236
- Assembly Host Committee Chair Meeting March 8<sup>th</sup> for info email Christine B. [cdbergland42@gmail.com](mailto:cdbergland42@gmail.com)
- CPC Committee meeting will be held **March 9th at 1:15 pm**. Zoom Room ID: 914 633 670 PW: 164164
- Saturday morning KISS meeting is no longer a hybrid meeting. The group has split. There is new information about a Zoom meeting that will posted soon.

Motion to Adjourn: Liz D., seconded by Lauren S. All in favor none opposed.

Close with responsibility statement 5:30 pm.