

District 5, Oregon Area 58  
Business Meeting  
Sunday July 11, 2021,  
Open with the Serenity prayer at 4:00p.m.

**In attendance:** Bonnie C., Kyle R., Jill B., Walt W., Carrie B., Reed K., Jamie S., Pilar T., Kelly B., Renee H., Helen W., Mike W., Rob L. & Beth M.,

**Welcome New (General Service Representative) GSR's:** none

**Visitor:** none

**Tradition Discussion:** "Every A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions."

**District Secretary:** Renee H. Please email me your report at [d5aa.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:d5aa.secretary@gmail.com) by Thursday following the District5 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: Mike W. seconded by Lauren S. Reed abstained.

**Treasurer: Walt W.**

**Contributions: \$535.66**

**Expenses: \$0.00**

**Reconciled Ending Balance: \$8594.02**

**Prudent reserve \$2000.00**

Any questions please contact [treasurer@district5aa.org](mailto:treasurer@district5aa.org)

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

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

District 5,

Thank you all for attending the business meeting and please thank your homegroups for the continued support of the district. Big thank you also to the GSR's that continue to show up and spread information to their homegroups, your willingness to be of service is appreciated. I want to thank those of you that also attended our Literature Workshop last month. If your homegroup would like to see more workshops made available or if there are any suggestions for future workshops, please let me know.

The district needs members willing to be of service as Committee Chairs and members to be of service within the committees. Now our Grapevine, Archives, and Access committees need committee Chairs. These are appointed positions, so anyone interested please feel free to contact myself or Kyle. District Officer elections are coming up in September and the following positions will be voted on at the September District business meeting: District Committee Member, Alternate District Committee Member, District Secretary and District Treasurer. I am willing to set up a zoom meeting or facilitate a phone call with anyone interested in learning more about these positions. In this time of change, service is still ongoing and very much needed. Please spread the word to your homegroup members and have anyone interested contact me at [dcm05@aa-oregon.org](mailto:dcm05@aa-oregon.org). All job descriptions can be found at the following link: <http://district5aa.org/files/documents/e2e6ecb0-4487-4870-b71b-7332ad94550a.pdf> Do not hesitate to contact myself or Kyle with any questions.

Current available District Committee Chair Positions:

Grapevine Chair

Archives Chair

Access Committee Chair

District Officer Elections to be held at the September Business Meeting, 2yr term starts October 1, 2021, open positions:

District Committee Member  
Alternate District Committee Member  
District Secretary  
District Treasurer

Future District Committee Chair Positions, 2yr term starts October 1, 2021, open positions:

Cooperation with Professional Community Chair  
Public Information Chair  
Correctional Facilities Chair  
Website Chair

A few months ago, at a district business meeting, the collective consciousness of your homegroups was to host the 2021 Oregon Area 58 Assembly. This makes our district responsible to act to be self-supporting with hosting this statewide fellowship event. The Assembly Host Committee needs support! What can you do to spread the word to your homegroup and the local fellowship? What can your homegroup unite and do to help back this collective decision? How can your homegroup show up and represent the district they belong to? Contact Christine B for any thoughts or questions: [cdbergland42@gmail.com](mailto:cdbergland42@gmail.com) As Gus P. used to say: "Remember, this shit is fun!"

I would like to close with a massive thank you to District 5 and all the homegroups within. My Higher Power is leading me to move back to the east coast to be with my family. This is the power of the program in action; helping me reconnect, be fully present, practice spiritual principles in all my affairs and to make some living amends. I have lived in Bend, OR for 11 years, been sober almost 10 years and have served in some capacity for this District for 8 years in a row. Being of service has allowed me to share experiences I never thought were possible, meet amazing lifelong friends and connect with a vast fellowship of friends as well as my second family. I love Alcoholics Anonymous, and I am grateful to be of [service.to](http://service.to) this fellowship that saved my life. Thank you all for being a part of my story. I will be finishing out my service commitment except for being physically present in Oregon for which Kyle R. will be available.

Yours in Fellowship and Service,

Bonnie C.

District 5 DCM

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**Alternate DCM: Kyle R.**

Hello District5!

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 group's participation, & support of the district. I had a wonderful time at our recent literature workshop. Our four wonderful speakers shared some amazing information and experience about our conference approved literature. I know that it stoked my excitement to get back into reading our literature and I hope it did the same for those who attended. If you were unable to attend, I do have a recording available for those who would be interested. Please feel free to email me, and I provide you with a copy. Please treat it in confidence to respect the anonymity of our speakers and guests. Thank you to those who offered to speak at the workshop. I really appreciate the willingness of our fellowship to share experiences and help each other grow.

Amber and I have been in contact about a date for the upcoming Post Conference Report. It seems like the weekend of August 14/15th would be best for her schedule, and it sounds like we should be able to have space at TEC by that time. If your groups are comfortable with making this an in-person event, then I will make arrangements and hopefully have a flyer out shortly. Otherwise, I will send out information for a zoom meeting instead.

I was hoping to have details about a second literature workshop for you today, but my life got away from me a little this month, so those details will hopefully be coming soon!

Thank you all for your support of the district and our fellowship as a whole. We have a

wonderful fellowship here in Central Oregon and I am looking forward to seeing you all in person again soon!

Yours in loving service,

Kyle R

Alt DCM

**Assembly Host Committee Chair: Christine B.**

Please contact me at [cdbergland42@gmail.com](mailto:cdbergland42@gmail.com). If you are interested in helping.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Over our prudent reserve. Bonnie reminded GSRs take this back to your home group and bring a motion back to the District5 business meeting with how you want to spend the excessive money.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Kyle and Bonnie are checking on holding our next business meeting in person.
- Bonnie is moving out of the area, in fact leaving tomorrow. She said Kyle the alternate DCM is quite capable of filling in for her. She is also willing to chair by zoom. People wished her well on her move and next part of her journey in sobriety.
- Kyle would like to have a motion to have an in-person meeting to have Amber our Oregon delegate to give us the Post Conference Report. Discussion: Lauren felt it would be nice to have it on zoom. Someone was not sure if that was possible due to WIFI. Walt said from his home group meeting there, that there is WIFI just no phone reception. Kelly felt like it would be nice to see people and have food with this event. Many other GSRs agreed.

**Motion was made by Reed K. have our Oregon Area Delegate give Post Conference Report on August 14<sup>th</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup> in person. Seconded by Walt W.**

**Committee Reports:** (time allowing) **Ran out of time**

**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. Joe, our Area CPC Chair will be working with us on a Fall Workshop on **Friday August 27th**

The date of the next committee meeting is **Tuesday August 17th at 1:15** so that we can all discuss before the workshop takes place.

If your home group would be willing to ***elect someone from your group*** to be on the CPC/PI committee as your group's 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 to be on the district committees. I am 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)

541-788-7276

**Cooperation with Treatment Facilities (CTF): Rob L.**

**Corrections: Matt F.**

**Grapevine: Position Available**

**Public Information (PI): Ryan F**

No report submitted.

**Website: Ben R.**

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.**

**Attitude Adjustment: Kelly B.**

**WFS: Brenna L.**

**Sisters in Sobriety: Jill B.**

**New Horizons: Carrie B.**

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

Our Group is currently meeting 4 days a week. **Monday through Thursday at Noon** on the Zoom platform.

We are still currently splitting our contributions 50% to the GSB and 50% to COIG. We will resume our regular 4 way split when the district and area don't have so much money.

We have been holding our Business meetings at TEC. We are encouraging members outside of the Central Oregon area who come to our meetings to get involved with their local AA Community and to find a local group where they can be part of the decision making of their local intergroups, districts, and areas. To support our Zoom babies, *or our Pandemic Pioneers*, if you will, our home group has been zooming on field trips to meetings in the areas of our Zoom babies, with the intent to help them to find a solid local Home Group in their own area. It has been super fun and effective. We have made new friends and helped to find new Homes for many. We are beginning to plan our 2021 Group inventory. For more information regarding our meetings, updates, and upcoming events, visit our Website

[NewHorizonsGroupAA.com](http://NewHorizonsGroupAA.com)

In Gratitude, Carrie Blake

**Sunday Morning Serenity: Lauren S.**

Hello, my name is Lauren S., and I am an Alcoholic. My home group is the Sunday Morning Serenity Group.

We had our business meeting today, and we discussed and voted to change the speaker meeting. The meeting will be a discussion meeting on the Daily Reflections. Also, we are looking to see if the Sons of Norway Hall will open to us to have our meetings. Another thing is that we will be updating our meeting information to the GSO office.

Our Zoom ID changes every seven weeks. I am the contact for this meeting.

In Fellowship and Service

Lauren S.,

**Home Away from Home Group: Pilar T.**  
**GSR July 2021 Report- Home Away from Home Group**

Happy Summer! The HAFHG continues to meet via virtual platform. English speaking meeting currently meets every other Wednesday from 12:30pm to 1:30pm, and Spanish meetings are every other Thursday from 12:30pm to 1:30pm. The English meeting has had great consistent attendance of about 15-20 members and Spanish continues to be at a lower attendance of about 2.

We have just recently heard from our inside sponsor that the DOC is working to start in person volunteer activities soon, including programs in AA! This is a reminder for outside volunteer members to get current with their badges and DOC training. Both inside and outside members are looking forward to seeing our brothers and sisters in person!

Our Area 58 delegate attend a couple of our meetings, sharing her experience, strength and hope with the group, as well as to receive feedback and questions on the plain English version of the big book of Alcoholics Anonymous, What an experience! As a result, the HAFHG inside members, have had another opportunity to see how they can contribute to and be a part of AA as a whole.

It has been a joy to welcome many newcomers and to acknowledge milestones in sobriety in the HAFHG!! The earnestness and joy that is felt is a testament to how the program of Alcoholics Anonymous works!!

As always, any AA approved literature contributions to the HAFHG are still welcomed and greatly appreciated. Your contributions continue to be the AA light to our inside members! I love to keep in mind, that "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).

**The Firing Line: Jamie S.**

My name is Jamie, and I am an alcoholic. My homegroup is The Firing Line Group and we are still meeting on a zoom format in the meantime. We are moving forward with back to in person meetings and will be able to go back to Bethlehem Inn as of September of this year. Homegroup members are looking forward to going back to in person after almost a year and a half on an online format. Our speaker meeting for July is 7/26, we will have a short Tradition 7 presentation and main speaker will be Jim K from The into Action Group In New York.

In service, Jamie S

**Men's Book Study: Reed K.**

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

- District is above their prudent reserve how would your home group like to spend this money?
- District 5 elections coming up in September 2021
- Kyle R.: I am happy to report that I just reserved our space at TEC for our upcoming Post Conference Report with our delegate Amber N. It will take place upstairs at Brooks Hall from 4:00-5:30pm, Sunday August 15th. I hope you will all invite your groups and any other interested members of our fellowship to attend.
- Tuesday August 17th at 1:15 if anyone would like to join the CPC Committee- *Zoom ID: 914 633 670 Password: 164164*

Motion to Adjourn: Kelly B., seconded by Mike W. All in favor none opposed.

Close with responsibility statement 5:34pm.