

January 2, 2019
District 1 GSR Minutes, Butler Area A.A.

Opening Session: (Deb F.) The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer. Tradition 1 and Concept 1 were read.

Roll Call and Secretary's Report: (David E.) Motion for the December 2018 minutes to be accepted. Motion was seconded. No discussion or corrections. The minutes were approved.

Roll Call: *21 of 35 GSRs present; 8 of 10 coordinators present; 4 of 4 officers present.*

Secretary's Report:

- *If you are submitting a coordinator report, a home group report, or mark your calendar event, please give it to the secretary by the end of each month's GSR meeting. It will not go into the minutes unless you write it down and turn it in. If you need a form, please see the secretary.*
- *If you are a new GSR or if any home group information has changed, please see the secretary to fill out a Group Information Change Form.*

If you have not received the minutes and you are a GSR, coordinator, or officer, please contact the secretary. If you see a mistake, please email the secretary: davidmetzel@hotmail.com.

DCM (District Committee Member) Report: (Deb F.) Present.

- I went with Mike M. to the 4th Quarterly Meeting for Area 60 which was held on Sunday, December 9th, at the Comfort Inn in Penn Hills. Main discussion centered on final committee member reports for 2018, a review of the 2019 Area 60 Calendar, and two proposed General Service Conference Agenda items: (1) reinserting 2 paragraphs to Concept X1 and (2) creating a Service Desk at GSO for Young People in AA. The area declined to support item 1 and voted to support item 2.
- There was also discussion about a new meeting search app. It is called "Meeting Guide" You can find it in the app store. It can help you find AA meetings in over 172 places. All Area 60 meetings are listed. Check it out.
- There is a note in the Winter Box 459 reminding everyone that GSO is modernizing their business systems and this will impact nearly all their business functions as they move them to a single platform. As a result, GSO systems will be shut down during the change over period from January 23 – February 4, 2019. During this time GSO will be unable to accept literature orders, online contributions, and any changes or updates to service records.
- Rob M. and I will be splitting the home groups in half and doing our best to attend all the meetings in District 1 during the next two years.

- Please take this back to your home groups for a vote at the February GSR meeting: Per District 1 Guidelines, I am going to be making a request to be reimbursed for my registration and mileage expenses to attend the Pre-Conference Assembly Weekend (PCAW – formerly known as “The Getaway Weekend”) which is scheduled for March 22-24, 2019 at the Comfort Inn in Penn Hills. Since this will be more than \$100, it has to be taken to the home groups for discussion prior to voting on it.

Alternate DCM Report: (Rob M.) Present, no report.

Treasurer’s Report: (Gary F.) Present. Report was made by Bernie D. See attachment.

Answering Service Report: (Mac M.) Present.

- Thanks to Bill B. for taking the phone for December 2018. Also, thanks to Courage to Change for carrying the phone in January 2019.
- February – Sunday Sobriety; March – Easy Does It; April – Sunday Morning Gratitude; May – Spiritual Experience; June – Red Door
- July through December 2019 is open.
- ***WE NEED 12-STEP CALLERS!!! Please sign up!***
- ***Reminder: Use only the numbers on the call list, even if you have a different phone number for someone.***
- The 24-Hour Christmas meeting went very well. Thank you to everyone who gave donations and volunteered their time! The Christmas wrap-up meeting is scheduled for January 5th at 5:30 p.m. for everyone who served on the committee. A full Christmas meeting report will be presented at the February GSR meeting.

PI/CPC Coordinator Report: (Thomas W.) Present, no report.

Web Chair Report: (Andy M.) Absent, no report.

Our District Website: www.district1aa.org

Archives Coordinator Report: (Jamie) Present.

- Met with Jason.
- Accepting information from all groups and individuals regarding home group histories and District 1 events.

Gratitude Dinner Planning Committee Report: Absent, no report.

The 2018 Gratitude Dinner was coordinated by the KISS Group and was held on November 18, 2018. See the December 5, 2018 minutes for a brief report from Nikki B. A decision will need to be made regarding the 2019 Gratitude Dinner: Will there be a dinner? Which group will sponsor it? When and where will it be held? Discussion was tabled until the February GSR meeting.

Hospital Coordinator Report: (Jan H.) Present.

- Thanks to all who volunteer! In order to take a meeting into the hospital, individuals must have 1 year of continuous sobriety. Meetings are held Fridays on the 5th floor of the hospital. Please arrive at 6:45 p.m.
- January 4th – Chris; January 11th – Mac; January 18th & 25 – Mike McGraw
- February 1st and February 15th – Becky P.
- June – Sobriety Hill 12 & 12
- October – Spencer G.
- Open Dates: February 8th and February 22nd; March, April, May, July, August, September, November, and December.

Gaiser Center Coordinator Report: (Spencer G.) Present.

- Meetings are Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Gaiser Addiction Center on Old Plank Road. Please arrive by 6:45 p.m. ONLY two people may go in. Need one person to chair the meeting and one person to give their lead. **Both need to have 1 year of continuous sobriety.** If your group is unable to keep its commitment or for some reason is unable to make it to the Center one or more weeks, please call Spencer G. or the Gaiser Center at 724-287-8205. *Since the new women's center has opened, the Gaiser Center has asked that when you go in please bring someone of the same gender – men with men and women with women.* You do not need to call ahead. Please ask your home group to consider taking a turn. Thanks to all who volunteer! We can always use old and new Grapevines.
- January – KISS; February – Let It Grow; March – Lost & Found; April – Saturday Morning 12 & 12; May – Spiritual Tools; July – Butler Concerned; August – Deshon Group; October – Parker 12 & 12; December – Wednesday Night Big Book 12 & 12
- Open Dates: June, September, and November.

Davis Archway Coordinator Report: (Doug F.) Present.

- Things are going well. Please—if you sign up, show up.
- If you have any questions or if you CANNOT make it, please call Doug F. This is a speaker meeting only. Need one person to chair the meeting and one person to speak. **A suggested 1 year of continuous sobriety is required to chair and to speak.** The address for Davis Archway is 164 Schiebel Road, Butler, PA 16002. If you are unable to keep your commitment, please call Davis Archway at 724-841-0744.
- January – Friday Night Solutions; February – Wednesday Night Big Book 12 & 12; March – Red Door; April – Butler Concerned; May – Mount Chestnut; June – Lost & Found; July – Serenity Group
- Open Dates: August, September, October, November, and December.

Corrections Facilities Coordinator Reports:

*Note: Any person wanting to go into the jail needs to complete the Orientation Program at the jail. The orientation is held on the first Friday of every month from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. You need to have 1 year of continuous sobriety and be off paper. **All orientation and clearances must be updated yearly.** You must call in prior to going for clearance; if there is not enough attendance, they will not hold the orientation.*

Men's Jail: (Mick C.) Present.

- Several men have had to step down. Please consider stepping up to help.
- If you sign up, show up.
- Meetings are now Tuesday and Thursday at 7:00 p.m. and Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 7:30 p.m. There is consideration for adding another meeting if enough men step up. Signing up for just one meeting a month helps.
- You need to email Kelly at the jail to get registered for orientation. See the last page for complete registration details including her phone number and email address.

Women's Jail: (Donna M.) Present.

- The Christmas party for the women went well. We collected \$226.00 in donations and spent \$227.94. In the end we didn't need the \$99.00 from the district. Thanks for your support.
- We need help. Please consider volunteering. The orientation information is the same as the men's jail listed above.
- Thanks to Spencer G. for picking up books for us from the Pittsburgh Central Office.

Open Positions: We are still in need of an **alternate secretary, alternate treasurer, alternate web chair coordinator, and alternate Gaiser Center coordinator.** Please share this information with your home group members and ask them to consider stepping up to district service. (Note: if there are other open positions that you know about or if any of these positions have been filled and/or overlooked, please let us know at the February GSR meeting.)

Old Business: Thank you to the outgoing District 1 Officers: DCM – Mike Mc.; Alternate DCM – Mike C.; Secretary – Mindy-Jo F.; Treasurer – Bernie D. We appreciate your service.

New Business:

- The Area 60 1st Quarterly Meeting will be held Sunday, January 20, 2019 at the Comfort Inn in Penn Hills: 8:30 a.m. - Registration; 9:00 a.m. – Workshop; 10:15 a.m. – Meeting
- The Pre-Conference Assembly Weekend (PCAW – formerly known as "The Getaway Weekend") is scheduled for March 22-24, 2019 at the Comfort Inn in Penn Hills. Please see the note in the DCM report regarding this.

Home Group Reports:

- Spiritual Experience is changing their **location** and **time** beginning on January 7, 2019. Meetings will now be at the Grapevine Center on Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

Mark Your Calendar:

- Butler Saturday Night "Red Door" will celebrate their 74th anniversary on Saturday, February 16, 2019. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. There will be coffee, pizza, and cake. Covered dishes are also welcome. Speaker at 7:00 p.m.
- Sunday Morning Gratitude will celebrate their anniversary on Sunday, March 17, 2019 with a free breakfast. Doors open at 9:00 a.m. There will be a speaker at 10:00 a.m.

For more information on what's going on in our area, please visit the Area 60 website at: www.wpaarea60.org.

The next District 1 GSR Meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 6, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in St. John's Reformed Church, 493 Evans City Road, Butler, PA. (Route 68 across from Sheetz.) You don't need to be a GSR to attend. Attendance is a great way to see how your local AA works.

Motion to close at 7:28 p.m. Seconded. The meeting closed with "The Responsibility Declaration" and "The Lord's Prayer."

Respectfully submitted in love & service,
David E.
District 1 Secretary

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Officers and Coordinators: Their phone numbers and emails will now be on a separate page. It will be attached to GSR email, but it will not be attached to the minutes posted on the district website.

Treasurer's Report: The treasure's report will now be on a separate page. It will be attached to GSR email, but it will not be attached to the minutes posted on the district website. Please make checks payable to **District One A.A.** Group contributions should be mailed to **P.O. Box 1725, Butler, PA 16003-1725.**