Aug. 7, 2024

District 1 GSR Minutes, Butler Area

Please attend your district meeting your support is really needed.

<u>Opening Session Mindy M.</u> (Present). The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm; Serenity prayer read Tradition 8 and Concept 8 was read.

<u>Roll Call</u>: Heather F. (Absent) 14 of 29 G.S.R. attended, 3 of 9 Coordinator's attended, 4 of 4 officers attended. *Attached to email.

<u>Secretary's Report:</u> Heather F. (Present). If you are a new GSR, Coordinator, or if any home group information has changed, please see the Secretary **to fill out** a Group Change Form.

*If you would like to receive the minutes, please make sure you provide the correct email address.

*All home groups and coordinators, if you have a report or something you would like to have in the minutes you will need to fill out a home group report and give it to the secretary at the district mtg.

**Home group/event forms--Must be filled out so the secretary gets the correct info.

*Motion to accept June 2024 minutes. The motion was seconded. No discussions or corrections, the minutes were approved.

Treasure's Report: Jason G. (Present). / Alt. Open.

*Asked for reimbursement of money that was over his budget allotment that was voted on and approved.

*A copy of the report is attached to the email.

Motion to accept the Treasurers report for July—approved.

DCM: Mindy M. (Present).

*The next area meeting will be on Aug. 18th 8:30 am @ the Masonic Center.

*We will have the area C.I.C.P.C. coming to our Nov. district meeting to share with us what they do exactly and their experience.

*We have the P.A.C.A.W. 2024 flyer with dates and sign-up info. it will be attached to the min.

*Remember elections for a new panel are in November so please if you know anyone interested in service work bring them to that meeting and the votes will be in December. It is extremely important to have rotation in all areas of A.A. service.

*The international convention is coming July 3rd – July 6th, 2025.

*Contributions – 13.1 % of the groups in area 60 had sent in in the last quarter.

*Any submissions for proposed agenda items for the 75th general service conference needs to be turned in by Sept 30th

*Mentioned some people needed the addresses for Area, NY and Central offices:

- From the AA Area 60 website:

DONATIONS TO AREA 60-

Make checks payable to:

Area 60 Treasurer

P.O. Box 386

Canonsburg, PA. 15317

From AA.org site:

Checks in US dollars payable to "General Service Board" may be mailed to :

P.O Box 2407

James A Farley Station

New York, NY 10163

From phhaa.org -Pittsburgh area central office, Inc.

1100 Washington Ave Suite 206

Carnegie, Pa 15106

----still need the box number

Butler AA district 1

P O Box

Butler, pa 16003

*If any person or home group has a topic they would like to have as a topic to get more information on, please bring it to the district mtg. or you can email Mindy.

<u>Alternate DCM:</u> Chuck J. (Present)

- *P.A.C.A.W. Preconference assembly weekend is going to be revamping itself. It's no longer going to be elected officials from the area it's going to form its own committee so there will be some changes to that. They already booked the hotel Doubletree in Cranberry, and they can always use volunteers. It's a great way to see how it works and meet new people from all over dates are March 28th,29th,30th
- *P.A.C.A.W. Planning meeting is coming up Aug 25th this is where ALL G.S.R.'S have a vote. They also talk about what will happen at the next G.S.O. meeting in N.Y.
- *The Service manual will tell you exactly what all service positions intel.

Answering Service: Richard/loopy (Absent). / Alt. Open

- *From now on, at the end of your month with the phone please bring it to the district meeting at the beginning of the following month to be handed over to the next home group. If you know it is your home groups month, please come to the district meeting so you can get the phone. That way he does not have to chase the phone down.
- * Please remember it is 24hr. Phone line and please do your very best to answer. People call this line sometimes just to ask a question, however sometimes people call because they are in desperation, and we want to always be there when someone reaches out. It does have a call forwarding to her phone in case you are unable. But remember this is a commitment and responsibility that your home group has volunteered for.
- ** Please note that whoever takes the phone for the month, it is your responsibility to make sure the next person/group that receives the phone gets all the contents that come with it such as the charger and the briefcase. This is important and not fair for others volunteering to have to replace the chargers to be able to answer the phone when someone in need is calling.
- * Oct. K.I.S.S., July Cabot we accept, Dec. N. Main St. All other months open.
- * Looking for groups to fill in for all the other months.
- *Updating the 12-step call list so if you would like to be taken off or added please get in touch with coordinator.
- *Be aware if your group has the phone, it is not staying charged for very long so make sure you do your due diligence to make sure it is charged while in your possession.

PI/CPC Coordinator: Open / Alt. Open.

*No Report

Hospital Coordinator: Tim E. (Present) / Alt. Cody S.(absent)

* August Women's Way Out, September K.I.S.S., Oct. Wed. night big book, Nov. Spiritual tools, Dec. Sat. night special

* Looking for groups to fill in for all the other months.

*Fridays from 6pm-7pm arrive Must be there at 5:45. Only 2 ppl. chair & Lead. Enter through the tower.

*We are now required to use the tower entrance upon arrival and departure. Format at the nurse's station.

Web Chair: Andy (Present) Alt. Doug (Absent)

*Figured out how to upload items to the website so if you have anything you need posted let Andy know.

Activities Committee: Becky (Absent) Alt. Mark (Absent)

*No report

*Activities Needs support! Please give them a call if interested. Refer to coordinators # list.

Giaser Addiction Center: Bob B. (Absent) / Alt. Mike ()

*Looking to fill 2024.

*Aug. Women from Wed. night big book, Sept. Saturday night special, Nov. W. Sunbury. All other months open.

*Please contact the coordinator if interested in taking a month.

*Tuesdays at 7pm-8pm arrive 15 min. early. You will need to have 2 men and 2 women for each side. Chairperson & Speaker. If you are unable to find one or the other, please reach out to Bob so he can see if she can find someone.

Davis Archway: Open () / Alt. Kevin (Absent)

*Really needs support!!!

- *Oct. W. Sunbury,
- *Sun. 7pm-8pm No vaccinations or masks required.
- *Need people to fill in 2024
- **Please take back to your home groups the need for volunteers.

Meetings are every Sunday at 7pm. Be there at 6:45pm The residents at Davis Archway really look forward to these meetings and show gratitude for our efforts to provide them.

Men's Jail: Open () / Alt. Open

- *They need volunteers.
- *Must be 1 yr. sober / not on probation or parole.
- *Must be approved by the jail and attend orientation.
- *Meetings starting at 6:30 must be 15 min. early.
- *Books or literature must come from the publisher directly to get to the inmates in the jail.
- *Kelly Long is no longer the contact for the jail meetings. We are waiting to find out who the new contact is.

Only men are able to attend. ---Please take back to home groups.

BOTH WOMEN AND MEN - The prison conducts in Orientation for new volunteers on the first Friday of every month at 9 AM at the prison at that time volunteers complete the form necessary to check their background and they receive instructions on how to comport themselves within the prison available slots for the orientation training are allotted on first come first serve basis to reserve a spot. Please call or email AA jail coordinator.

Women's Jail: Tracy (Present)/ Alt. Open

- *Tracy has been able to get ahold of the jail and is making some headway on getting us back in. She will be reaching out to the members that were already signed up as well as new members to fill us in with what's going on once she is back from vacation in the next wk. or two.
- *Same rules for the women's jail as for the men.
- *Meetings Tue. and Fri. @ 7pm must be there 15 min. early.

Archives: Amanda (Absent)

*She is looking to start getting information from G.S.R.'s and is going to start doing interviews with people in recovery with 40+ yr. and work her way down. So, if you are interested in giving her info. Please reach out to her.

Summit Academy: Dan (Present)

*If you are interested in going in with Dan or taking in a meeting, they are Wed. 6pm - 7pm you must be there at 5:45pm Men and Women are welcome to go they just ask women to dress appropriately. There are no time requirements for this.

Old Business:

- Motion that if G.S.R.'s don't show up to 3 consecutive district meetings that home group loses their voting rights. Questions brought up regarding this motion- if they lose the right to vote how long would that last? Take to your home group this is being tabled till next district meeting in Aug. This was voted on and it did not pass.
- Dan got in touch with the Summit Academy they are now taking meetings in on Wed. 6-7 must be there at 5:45, men and women can go in they just ask that women dress appropriately. Only two people, no registration required, Dan will make the list. The first meetings turned out good both with facility and with the youth. Really need some support
- I know this is something we must repeat more than you would think we would need too. However, our district really needs people in recovery to step up and help with the facilities. This whole program is based on helping another struggling alcoholic. We can't keep it if we don't give it away. Our district has about 6 facilities we are responsible for going into and carrying the message of recovery and hope. And we really struggle finding people to go into these places, it seems to be the same people that carry all the weight. Remember what it was like in early recovery and how much it meant to you to have A.A. come give a lead, discussion meeting or a ride to a meeting. Most of us would have never found A.A. if it were not for these people taking time out of their busy lives to give back what was so freely given to them. We know everyone has family, work, kids, and other responsibilities; life is busy. I urge you to remember as alcoholics our recovery must come first and that the best way to ensure another day sober is by helping another alcoholic. We hope that people are encouraging their sponsee's to get involved in service work. This is how the newcomer learns how the program works.

New Business:

- Motions to vote in a coordinator for Summit Academy and elect Dan R. This was a unanimous yes.
- The topic of this District not having much attendance or support was brought up again. We are asking all home groups the question why? Please ask your home groups and others if there is a reason G.S.R.'s aren't attending the district meeting or willing to do service positions? We can't attempt to fix something we are unaware of.
- Motion to identify the home groups that did not attend the district meeting at the district meeting at the end of the minutes every month – passed.

OPEN POSITIONS:

P.I.C.P.C.

Men's jail – both

Nikki voted for Alt. Giaser position. & April was voted for the Alt. Women's jail.

 Remember a new panel will be voted on in Nov. so anyone that would like to nominate someone will need to be at the Oct. District meeting.

Mark your calendar: Home Group Reports:

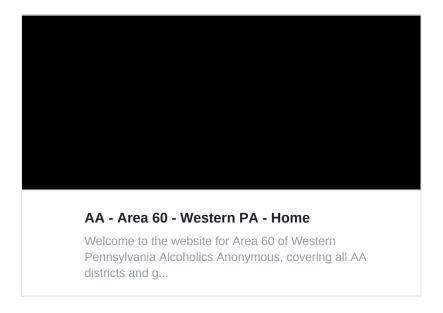
- *St. Wendelin Monday night meeting at 8pm could really use support
- *Trinity group Sunday chicken coop needs support.
- * Saxonburg Midweek needs support. Still has the best dang donuts in town. (Donut Connection)
- * K.I.S.S. could really use support.
- * Easy does it could use some home group members with sobriety
- * West Sunbury will be having 2 meetings half inside and half outside. Bring a chair. Weather permitting.

*Flight to sobriety will be changing their meeting time from 6:30pm to 7pm

*Butler Concerned will be having a Sunday Sobriety Celebration on the last Sunday of each month to celebrate local members anniversaries for that month There will be food, fellowship and 50/50 raffle.

A motion to close the meeting was made. Seconded. Closed with The Responsibility Declaration followed by the Lord's Prayer.

For more information of what is going on in our area, please visit the Area 60 website at www.wpaarea60.org. The next district meeting will be held **on Sept. 4th**, **2023**, at 7:30pm at Glade Run Wellness Center, 123 East Diamond Street Butler, PA 16001.



Remember you do not need to be a GSR to attend. Attendance is a great way to see how your local AA works.

Respectfully submitted in love and service,

District One Secretary,

Namaste, Heather F.

BACK TO BASICS
BUTLER N. MAIN ST.
BUTLER SOUTHSIDE BIG BOOK
FOURTH DEMENSTION

K.I.S.S.

LIVING AGAIN CHICORA

LIVING SOBER GROUP

LOST & FOUND

MT. CHESTNUT

PARKR 12 & 12

SAT. NIGHT SPECIAL

SAXONBURG MID WEEK

SERENITY GROUP

THE NIGHT SHIFT

ALL OTHERS WHERE IN ATTENDANCE.