

Area 54 Assembly Minutes April 28, 2019

Opening: Tim H.

Opened the Assembly with the Serenity Prayer. Prayer /Card Readings: - **Casey M. – Tradition 3 - Dusty S.** – Read the **12 Concepts – Bob D.** – Discussed **Tradition 3 - and Steve K.** Discussed **Concept 3.**

Announcements: Unity Day Workshop -May 19th Potluck. Friends of Bill W. Picnic – Jun 23rd - East Central Regional Forum – July 12-14th. Area Assembly – July 21st. Ohio State Convention – August 16th-18th.

Recording Secretary: Beverly F.

Explained the sign-in procedure for DCM's/Past DCM's, GSR's, Area Committee Chairs/Past - Area. There's a 2-minute time limit for giving reports.

Presentation of Minutes.

Mark W. & Steve K.- Moved & Seconded.

Treasurer: Tina C. – Review Financial Report. Look at the Donation List. If there are changes that need to be made, please send those to treasurer@area54.org.

Mailing Secretary: Mark P. – June 22nd – Pilgrim Church - 130 Broad Blvd. – Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio – 44221 – 1:30-2:30pm.

AA Anniversaries recognized – Mae R. – Finance Chair 7th Tradition

Area Officer Reports: Mark P. – Area 53 Mini Conference – March 8-10th – Deer Creek State Park. Peter L. (Class A Trustee) spoke on creating GSO and fellowship in Cuba. GSO Staffer – Diana L. – shared her experiences at a young age and her current job in NY at GSO. I served on the Corrections/Finance committee as an observer. We had a heated debate and hammered out our decisions.

Susan R. – Alternate Delegate – Area 56 Mini Conference – Mar 15-17th – Friday evening, Sheryl B. and I, attended the opening remarks by Nancy F., Alternate Delegate/Chair. Steve S.- GSO Staffer spoke on duties at GSO. Mark E. our ECR Trustee gave his report on his 5day board weekend; he also shared his experience, strength and hope. On Saturday, Andrea H.-Registrar summarized Agenda Items and we broke into 6 committees. I attended the Grapevine/Corrections committee as an observer. Mock Conference was from 2-5:30pm; Laura G. – Immediate Past Delegate. Area Highlights were given by the 4 delegates of Ohio and Sheryl B. was perfect in her presentation. Area 54 had assembly, so we missed the Sunday session.

Tim H. – Chair – Area 54 Mini Conference – Mar 29th-31st. John M., Jimmy D. and I arrived at 1pm. The Youngstown Multi-District hosted the Hospitality Suite for the weekend. Sheryl B. – Delegate - introduced Panel members and the Conference convened at 7pm chaired by our Past Delegate Jamie B. Susan R. did a folder summary explaining the contents. Areas 53(Stephen S.), 54, (Sheryl B.), 55 (Henry C.) and 56 (Jenny C.) each conveyed area highlights. Then we enjoyed an Ice Cream Social hosted by the Lorain Multi-

District. The Mock Conference was chaired by Bob McK. and myself. We had lively discussions, minority opinions were heard and (1) floor action. At our sumptuous banquet a skit "Snow White and the Seven Character Defects" was performed (including audience performance). Patrick C. (The Prince), also shared his story immediately *following* the skit. The CNCMD hosted the Ice Cream Social. On Sunday Past Delegates answered questions from the Ask-It-Basket. We closed with the Responsibility Pledge.

Brian C. - Floor Manager - Unity Day Update – Safety Panel

Tim H. – Chair - Mini Conference Evaluation – 8 first time and 14 previous attendees responded. 22 responses were "yes" to the survey. 12-Gsr's, 1-Committee chair, 1-Area Officer, 1-GSO Staffer 1- Group Chairperson.

Registrar: Ola P. – Group Updates on the back table. Entered about 37 GSR change Forms and 4 DCM'S. We need to find the *Unknown Groups* and bring the result to the Registrar. Currently there are about 370 *Unknown Groups* *Please see me with any changes.*

Literature Chair: Dusty S. – Sales for the Mini-Conference were \$66.15.

Corrections Chair: Brian J.C.- Apr. 11th - attended workshop/Central Office. Apr 20th – Akron/AIG.

OYPAA Liason: Casey M. – 1) Just held elections 2) OYPAA Bid 3) Continue attending function 4) OYPAA #38 – Columbus, Oh Oct 25-27th.

Finance Chair: Mae R. – Workshop May 18th/Central Office. Please join us.

DCM Reports:

Leslie S.- Dist. 28 – Encourage electing GSR'S, merging/closing 5 meetings, establishing Treasury for District. IG rep. position in motion. Also training for positions.

Wayne B. – Dist 6 – Contributions to the Entities, contact with 20 out of 43 meetings.

John M. – Dist 23/39 – Discussed Concept IV, looking for Group histories.

Steven K. – Dist.8/48 – Multi-District Chicken Roast – 6/15/19 – Waddell Park in Niles, Oh. 37 active groups, 3 closed/moved. 13 from District 48.

Christen B. – Dist. 3 – Updated (2) meetings, Found some meetings in District 60 (Cuyahoga Falls), 8-10 active GSR's, Spring Seminar April 27th chaired by Dusty S.

Trevor C. – Dist. 14 – Meeting May 5th – 2pm. Susan R. and Bob D. coming to meeting to explain Service Structure.

Mark W. – Dist. 11 – GSR meeting May 10th.

Dennis T. Dist. 36 – Will attend Money Matters. (2) new GSR's. (Keith and Amy).

Tom A. – Dist. 2/60- Updated meetings (Dist. 2) and (Dist. 60)

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InterGroup Liasons:

Robert R. – Register for [Founder's Day @akronaa.org](http://akronaa.org) before 5/15/19 – save \$5.00. Also, tickets can be picked-up at the event.

Steve K. – Youngstown Inner Group – Nominations in May – Elections in June (3) new Board members, (2) Trustees.

Alternate Delegate: Susan R. – Ohio State Convention – 63rd Annual – Aug. 16th-18th – If you can attend, *please do so*. 26th of July is the registration deadline. August 2nd is when banquet opportunities close. There will be - Panel Discussions, Alcahion, Sobriety Count Down, Archives Display, Hospitality Room, and Keynote Speakers.

Delegate: Shryl B. -ERP Website Design Update. (2) open positions at GSO. Office updates still in motion. Loners International (20) responses received via Armed Services. May 19th-25th - 69th General Service Conference. (75) Agenda Items available on Dashboard translated into French and Spanish. Group Services – no action at this time. Animated Flyers on there way soon for the upcoming 2020 International Convention. Register online, before making hotel arrangements. Finances were 7.82%higher than budget and 5.29% compared to Jan. 2018. Operating were1.5% greater than last year. \$7,760.00. Publishing gross sales were 1464.305. 976,214.00. Service piece on Safety on review by Board. Request from an Area a Young People in AA assignment at GSO. Regional Forums are an opportunity available to speak with. Registration is free, July 12-14th in Detroit. Purpose for our AA members get familiar with AAWS, GSO, and Grapevine.

Old Business:

Bob McK – June 26th – Advisory Committee. Ad-Hoc committee being established for manning the Interntional Hospitality suite.

Susan R.- Panel 67 Carry-Over - \$13,886.00(Gross), \$12,855.00(Prudent Reserve), \$7,400.00(Carry Over) Will be getting assistance with QuickBooks.

New Business:

Gratitude Sunday – 7/8/48 – Youngstown, Ohio - 563 N. Bellavista Ave 44509

Friends of Bill W Picnic – June 23rd, 2019 - (7/8/48) – 15018 South Street, Birmingham, Ohio – 12-5:00.
Re- Districting Harrison & Jefferson – included in Area 54.
Body Voted to include new Districts.

What's on your mind?

Mark W.– Glad to attend Mini-Conference.

Wayne B. - Traditions Questions. Selling Big Books in Treatment Facilities.

Brian J.C. – Need assistance with Corrections Committee.

Leslie S. – Need DCM's assigned to neighboring Districts.

Susan R. – Sign up for a Committees, there are Sign Up Sheets available.

Wayne B.– Communications break-down between District and Inner Group. 7th Tradition instructions for donations by meetings/groups. Each group is autonomous.

Susan R. – Gave information on the Service Structure.

Trevor C. – Dark Districts need more information regarding where donations go.

Leslie S. – Gave feed-back regarding Dark Districts; and offered assistance to educate meetings/groups.

Ola P. – May 11th – Women to Women Luncheon – Please come out and support.

Meeting adjourned followed by the Responsibility Pledge and the Lord's Prayer.

I AM RESPONSIBLE – When anyone, anywhere reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there and for that I am responsible.