

**Napa District 11**  
**Panel 73 General Service Meeting**  
**Via Zoom 860-5600 2397 - PW 060455**  
**10:00AM -12:00PM**  
**July 1, 2023 Minutes**

- I. **Opening of meeting: Serenity Prayer**
- II. **Introductions, New GSR's, Alternates, and visitors, Birthdays**
- III. **GSRs – 2 minutes – share about your group / check in / Questions**
- IV. **Volunteers for Next month - GSR Report Back - Derek, Secretary - Duncan, Tradition 8 - Derek and Concept 8 - Jo Moore**
- V. **Tradition 7:** [Michael M] Every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.
- VI. **Concept 7:** [Laura K] The Conference recognizes that the Charter and the Bylaws of the General Service Board are legal instruments: that the Trustees are thereby fully empowered to manage and conduct all of the world service affairs of Alcoholics Anonymous. It is further understood that the Conference Charter itself is not a legal document: that it relies instead upon the force of tradition and the power of the A.A. purse for its final effectiveness.
- VII. **Approval of:**
  - a. **Minutes – June 3, 2023 Approved 7/1/23**
- VIII. **Financial Oversight Committee – Update** [Duncan L] :

“The Financial Oversight Committee has met several times over the last few months, to review both the 2022 and 2023 budgets. We have discussed and analyzed our current financial standing, trends in income, and pending budgeted finances.

We have proposed two motions based on our analysis, and feel that a review and update of the Financial Guidelines be undertaken in the second half of the year. We will be developing a bi-quarterly meeting schedule moving forward through the remainder of this panel.”
- IX. **Open Positions:**
  - a. **Recording Secretary**
  - b. **Archives Chair**
  - c. **Accessibilities Committee Chair**
  - d. **Intergroup Liaison**
  - e. **NAPYPA Liaison - Derek**
- X. **Visiting Area Officer – Sarah B, Area Recording Secretary:** Topic: “ESH - Is Hybrid really working for the ACM/Assembly Meetings? What is your experience with Hybrid/in person in your District? What would the Area/your District do if most of the people were on zoom and only a few people attended in person? Have the Area Officers ever considered moving the ACM meeting to another locations?”

**Break and Seventh Tradition**

XI. **Officer Reports:** DCMC, Alt. DCMC PI/CPC, DCM 01, DCM 02, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Registrar, Archives, Web/Tech, Literature, BTG, Beginners Mtg, Tech Committee, Intergroup Liaison, H&I Liaison, NAPYPAA Liaison, Unity Day.

**DCMC :Sandy S.** - See Packet for detailed report

Unity Day went great, Thank you Duncan our Unity Day Chair. Our Delegate Eric did great, Sent out report / slide show for everyone. Elizabeth attended Area Committee meeting on my behalf. See packet with all information. Summer assembly is coming up!

**PI/PC: Elizabeth** - See packet for detailed report.

On June 24 th attended PI/PC meeting, meeting is open to everyone. Give her a call or email if you would like to attend. Last meeting was on how we present the spiritual component to professionals, it was a great presentation. Elizabeth has slides to share if you are interested.

**DCM 01: Thom H.** See packet for detailed report

Online meetings and service structure were discussed at district meeting. Touched on unity and how we learn from each other. Spoke about hybrid meetings & encouraging participation.

**Treasurer: Devyn P.** See packet for more information - **Treasurer's report approved**

**Registrar: Jo Moore** - See packet for detailed report

Note: Any meetings we go to without GSR, Please let them know we have a district registrar who needs a contact for the group for general service communications

**Literature: Michael M.** See packet for detailed report

What do you do with all those grapevines? If you have any questions please ask Michael for more information. Sandy will send out an email with detailed presentation from literature meeting.

**Beginners Meeting: Matt H.** See packet for detailed report

Not present for meeting - GSR's please announce beginners meeting at their meetings, also in need of secretary & support for meeting

**H&I - John K.** - See packet for detailed report

Facilities, Jails, Juvenile Hall ect. - are opening up, we need participation from members to get into these facilities

**NAPYPAW: Derek C.**

New rotation of people for service, we are currently getting stuff together for the summer picnic. We could use a little more participation for service.

**Unity Day chair: Duncan**

See packet for detailed report

XII. **Update on Venues for District meetings** – The only current option for a venue currently is the Presbyterian Church, in St. Helena; charges \$75/meeting; Crosswalk is not available if we stay on the

current District meeting day, Saturday. Update from sub-committee (Elisabeth & Kevin) regarding look for other possible venues in Napa.

## **Elizabeth B.**

Both Chris & Elizabeth have been making calls to look for venues in the valley for DBM. They have not been successful in getting an open venue for the first Saturday of the month.

**Guidelines:** Voting members of District 11 are the District Officers, Chairperson, and current GSR's/Alternate if GSR not present. During discussion, please wait to be recognized by the Chairperson. Remember all discussion should be direct to the chair-person. Please give only your own ideas and refrain from a debate or commenting on what other people have shared. We want all people to feel comfortable with their thoughts and ideas. Finally wait until all have had a chance to share before speaking again.

**Housekeeping Motions:** Housekeeping motions are simple in nature and usually do not set precedence for the District. There is no discussion and they are accepted if no one disapproves of them, otherwise, it goes to New Business for the next DBM.

### **XIII. Housekeeping Motion:**

The Financial Oversight Committee recommends that the District make immediate distribution of excess funds in the amount of \$1,500 each to CNCA 06 and to AAWS – presented by Duncan L

Clerical error on amount; \$1,000.00 instead of \$1,500.00 Motion made & seconded

\$1,000.00 to CNCA & AAWS - **Objection, Motion moved to new business next month**

Joe T. is objecting - feels more should be passed on

### **XIV. New Business: Presentation of Motion:**

- a. That District 11 reimburse the 2 DCMs who attended PRAASA 2023 for 2 nights Hotel stay at the Area rate and travel expenses to Los Angeles – presented by Joe T. **Motion Seconded - Moved to new business**
- b. The Financial Oversight Committee recommends the District Prudent Reserve fund be increased from \$800 to \$3,000 – presented by Duncan L - **Moved to new business**

### **XV. Old Business: None**

### **XVI. Discussion Items:**

- a. How to fill open positions for District 11  
Announce the open commitments at meetings
- b. Other?

### **XVII. Area Committee and Assembly Motions:** See attached Area Motions

### **XVIII. What's on your Mind:**

Joe would like to understand more about what occurred at the FOC meetings

Devyn invites others to join the FOC meetings

Thom would like to pose DBM meeting to possibly take place on a weeknight

**XIX. Close with the Responsibility Statement**