

Napa District 11
Panel 73 General Service Meeting
Via Zoom 860-5600 2397 - PW 060455
1:30PM -3:30PM
September 9, 2023 Minutes

- I. **Opening of meeting: Serenity Prayer**
- II. **Introductions, New GSR's, Alternates, and visitors, Birthdays** – Angela Hoxsey – 17 years
- III. **GSRs – 2 minutes – share about your group / check in / Questions** – Present: Thom H, Elisabeth B, Duncan L, Laura K, Angela H, Nell Z, Terry, Alt. GSR for SOS, Jo M, Joe T, Melanie, Jennifer, Michael M, Joy, Jen Mc, Sandy S. GSRs introduced themselves and did a check-in.
- IV. **Volunteers for Next month - GSR Report Back () Secretary (Melanie) Tradition 10 (Michael M) Concept 10 (Jo M)**
- V. **Tradition 9:** [Nell Z] “A.A., as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.”
- VI. **Concept 9:** [Angela H] *Good service leaders, together with sound and appropriate methods of choosing them, are at all levels indispensable for our future functioning and safety. The primary world service leadership once exercised by the founders of A.A. must necessarily be assumed by the Trustees of the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous.’
- VII. **Approval of:**
 - a. **Minutes – August 5, 2023** - Approved
- VIII. **Financial Oversight Committee – Update** [Duncan L]
- IX. **Open Positions:**
 - a. **Recording Secretary**
 - b. **Archives Chair**
 - c. **Accessibilities Committee Chair**
 - d. **Intergroup Liaison**
 - e. **Bridging the Gap** – Joe T. made himself available and was confirmed
- X. **Visiting Area Officer** – None this month due to date change
- XI. **Break and Seventh Tradition**
- XII. **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.
- XIII. **Update on Venues for District meetings** – The current options for a venue are the Presbyterian Church, in St. Helena - charges \$75/month;– Elisabeth B & Kevin O

Presbyterian Church continues to be an option. Elisabeth will check with St. Apollinaris and Napa Valley College.
- XIV. **Discussion:** That District 11 change the DBM for October to the second Saturday, October 14th, at 1:30-3:30 due to the conflict with the Intergroup Workshop on Meditation. – Presented by Nell Z

For: 4 Against: 3 Abstentions: 1

Minority Opinion: Duncan: We made a schedule. We should stick to it. Too many changes make it difficult to organize our personal lives.

Motion to reconsider: Thom, Second: Angela

For: 4 Against: 6 Abstentions: 0

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.

XV. Housekeeping Motion: None

XVI. Old Business: Motions:

- a. The following motion passed unanimously (16 votes out of 16 - in favor); **Motion:** The Financial Oversight Committee recommends that the District make immediate distribution of excess funds in the amount of \$1500 each to CNCA 06 and AAWS. However, the motion was supposed to read as follows:

Motion: The Financial Oversight Committee recommends that the District make immediate distribution of excess funds in the amount of \$1000 each to CNCA 06 and AAWS.

Is there anyone who would like to change their vote to pass on \$1500?

Nell would like to change her vote. Minority opinion from Nell, she felt we should honor the recommendation from the FOC.

Motion to reconsider Duncan, Seconded by Thom

Duncan: There was much discussion during FOC on the amount, would like to amend amount in motion.

Must revoke on original motion of approving \$1,500 for distribution

For: 6 Opposed: 2 Abstention: 2 (The motion to pass excess funds in the amount of \$1500 each to CNCA 06 and AAWS stands)

- b. 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 (approximately \$650 ea)

Discussion:

Conscience from group (Nell) overwhelming Yes

It is currently a below the line budget item to be voted on each year as we have funds before funding our GSR scholarships.

For: 10 Opposed: 0 Abstention: 0 (The motion passed)

XVII. Presentation of New Business:

- a. **Motion:** I move that we keep the District Business Meeting as a zoom only meeting. – Presented by Angela H

Moved to October for presentation

XVIII. New Business: Motions:

- a. The Financial Oversight Committee recommends the District Prudent Reserve fund be increased from \$800 to \$3,000 – presented by Duncan L

Discussion.

Moved to Old Business for October

XIX. Discussion Items:

- a. How to fill open positions for District 11

Please announce at meetings.

- b. How to provide a GSR report back to your group – what's important – Elisabeth B

XX. Area Committee and Assembly Motions: See attached Area Motions

XXI. What's on your Mind:

XXII. Close with the Responsibility Statement