

Napa District 11
Panel 75 General Service Meeting Minutes
10:00AM – 12:00PM
March 1, 2025

In Person:

St. Helena Presbyterian Church
1428 Spring St, St Helena, CA 94574
(Fireside Room)

Online:

Zoom: 860-5600-2397
Password: 060455
<https://aanapa.org/meetings/special-meetings>

1. Opening: Serenity Prayer
2. Introductions: New GSRs, Alternates, and Visitors. Birthdays / Anniversaries.

Melanie A- Alternate DCM
Jason- District Registrar
Laura K- Intergroup Liaison & Unity Day Chair
Terry- Meeting Chair for Friday Night Newcomers Meeting at Crosswalk
Jeff D- Area 06 of Finance and chair of inventory assembly in November
Jo M- Grapevine Lavina Representative
Angela H- District Archives Chair
Michael M- District Committee Member 003
Derek- District Committee Member 001 and Web Editor and Co Unity Chair
Ali C- Recording Secretary
Phil- Alternate DCMC and PICPC and GSR for Crosstalk at Crosswalk
Meaghan- District Treasurer, GSR NTY, Liaison for Napypaa
Chitra- Area Delegate
Nell- H&I Liaison and Tech Chair and GSR for Free Thinkers
Duncan- DCMC
Justin- GSR for TGIMS Sea Scouts

3. GSRs – (90 Seconds each) Share about your group. Check in. Questions.

Nell- Free thinkers group is doing great. In the process of looking for a new location because the senior center closes on holidays.

Phil- Tuesday night Crosstalk at Crosswalk. The meeting is going well, attendance is good, good amount of newcomers.

Justin- TGIMS Sea Scouts. A lot of newcomers, a lot of sign in sheets.

Meaghan- Never Too Young. Have planned our group conscious meeting on March 12 directly following the meeting. Has been bribing them with pizza.

John- Gliders at Tucker Farms. Well attended meeting. Talking about agenda topics next week.

4. Volunteers for Month of April:
 - a. GSR Report Back: Derek

- b. Tradition IV: Meaghan
- c. Concept IV: Melanie
- 5. Tradition III: (Nell)
 - a. *The only requirement for A.A. membership is a desire to stop drinking.*
- 6. Concept III: (Phil)
 - a. *To ensure effective leadership, we should endow each element of A.A.- the Conference, the General Service Board and its service corporations, staff, committees, and executives - with a traditional "Right of Decision."*
- 7. Approval of minutes from February Meeting. Nell motions, Phil Seconds, Approved.
- 8. Upcoming Dates to Remember:
 - a. PRAASA (Pacific Region A.A. Service Assembly) – March 7-9, 2025 – Anchorage AK
<https://praasa.org/>
 - b. CNCA 06 – Area Committee Meeting – Sat. March 22, 2025
<https://www.cnca06.org/committee-zoom/>
 - c. Pre-Conference Assembly – Sat. April 5, 2025 – Santa Cruz Civic Auditorium
<https://www.cnca06.org/event/pre-conference-assembly/>

9. Financial Oversight Committee Update: Jason A

We have yet to have a meeting and we're scheduling one for the upcoming weeks. Looking for volunteers to join the oversight committee.

10. Update on Fall Assembly – Jeff D.

Has been 10 years since this district has hosted. November 1st at NVExpo Chardonnay Hall. Going in early to set up that morning. Needs volunteers to help with setting up on October 31st dinner at the birthday meeting and November 1st for the assembly. We'll be having a halloween party, assembly dinner and birthday meeting all at once. NEED HELP. SOS. Finance, Set Up, Clean Up.

Nell wants to know who pays for what. Layne is cooking. Still has to create a budget. Anniversary party usually has 100 people. 50 People for preassembly dinner. Basically it's in the works. District is splitting costs with intergroup. Crosswalk has agreed to shared costs. Assembly is usually covered by Area.

Derek wants to make sure that Jeff is sending out a save the date flyer and a volunteer sheet that they will be putting on the website. Alex has already created it. Derek wants to know if Jeff can provide talking points to bring back to the group.

Michael wants to know if they need a chairperson for coffee. Jeff said someone will be there selling drinks.

Meeting at the end of March for the first coordination meeting.

11. Assembly Motions: Duncan L.

12. Open Positions: Bridging the Gap Chair, Alt DCM

13. Visiting Area Officer: Chitra S (Area 06 Delegate) 'The Conference Process and the Delegate's Journey'

Final agenda topics have all come out.

Website is cnca06.org/confidential

Password is 1935. When you click on the password you click on the backgrounds and there is a folder you click on English

Going to summarize all the agenda topic backgrounds by next Wednesday.

Chitra is on the Public Information Committee. They figure out using media how we are spreading our message to the alcoholic who has not heard of us yet.

The Comprehensive media plan. All agenda topics put together. Meeting guide app, podcast, youtube channel, grapevine and La Vina app. Watch it and give them feedback, are they dated, do they work, what do you like, what do you not like. They're going to work shop everything that we have already and figure out what works and what doesn't.

Chitra flies to NY after PRASA and goes over the group consciousness and then does the work to make the changes. This year the General Service Conference is going to take their inventory. Channel from Area to General Service Conference.

14. Break and 7th Tradition – PayPal: gsdistrict11@gmail.com

15. Officer Reports: (90 seconds each)

DCMC- Duncan Went to ACM last weekend and he is going to be talking about ACM motions and pre conference assembly motions later in agenda.

Alt. DCMC-

PI/CPC- Phil- Met on Zoom. Tom is dropping off pamphlets to help with human services. John has dropped off at Napa Library. Elizabeth delivered to up valley centers in Calistoga. Phil is getting more printed with a Spanish translation. Reaching out to Aldea and Reaching out to the NVCC for nursing students. Phil is getting information on data mining for health care providers.

DCM 01- Derek- went to area meeting and district workshop. Has found it hard to check in with all meetings, but did check in with saturday night speaker meetings and they need help. It wasn't doing well and now it is doing worse. Chase was the secretary and had a baby. Their treasure is filling in right now.

DCM 003- Michael- went to the area sharing session last week. Susan is having a presentation on service manuals at the next meeting. Working on attracting GSR's.

DCM D11- Melanie- attended area meeting for the first time. spicy and juicy. There are some districts that require their gsr's to go to the meeting.

Treasurer- Meaghan- Quiet month. Didn't receive anything other than \$300 from No Ma'am. Transferred paypal balance to bank.

Recording Secretary- Here. Computer charged. Notes taken.

Registrar- Jason- online workshop on March 13th 7-8pm on zoom. currently working with sarah and nick to roll out airtable which is a database tool instead of using excel data table. Also working on doing a clean up on the available information that we have in the excel spreadsheet making sure that the information is relevant. Meeting times, days, locations etc.

Archives- Angela- included report. finished third group history. This June I will be working on cleaning out the committee office.

Web- Derek- Not met this month, but has fully learned how to post the minutes and the agenda. Wants me to send him the minutes directly. And everyone else. If anyone wants to spend the time to click through aa.org and give him feedback, good or bad.

Tech- Nell- during district business meeting message her if something is not working and have terry let her know. Working on getting new equipment purchased for this meeting.

Literature- Is available for purchase through intergroup. make sure that youre really careful in filling out the form with your information because that's the only way it can be sent to you. The 2025 catalog is available for grapevine and all the books. It's \$30 a year to support the grapevine app. encourage people to get the app. grapevine is the meeting in print.

BTG- N/A

Beginners Mtg- Terry- Report attached. averaging 15-20 people in the room and have 3-6 folks showing up on zoom. going on vacation but will have a written report for april.

secretaries scheduled through mid june. Back up on the tech is Erika.

Intergroup Liaison- Laura K- Discussing having a spanish speaking liaison. clean up date to be organized by alex. We are sharing the storage for intergroup. intergroup received the audio visual from came to believe.

H&I Liaison- Meetings are being taken into men's jail, archway, national vallejo, vallejo detox, napa women's jail, crestwood behavioral center in vallejo and napa state hospital.

NAPYPAA Liaison- successfully bribed them with pizza and got all positions filled. everyone walked away with multiple positions. sam is looking to taking more positions in woodland and leaving napa.

Unity Day- Laura K- needs to meet with Derek soon. Has an outline of what we need. will need volunteers. need information tables h&i, napypaa, bridging the gap, etc. June 14th

Guidelines: Voting members of District 11 are the District Officers, Chairpersons, 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 chairperson. Please give only your own ideas and refrain from 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 District Business Meeting.

16. Housekeeping Motions: None

17. Old business: None

18. Presentation of New Business: None

19. Discussion Items:

- a. Proposed Changes to The Plain Language Big Book presented by Nell Z (Freethinkers Group)

Written out motion. wants change to be taken to the general service conference. Micheal wants to know how much it's going to cost. Nell knows that they have already made one change and Chitra commented that one of the agenda topics is figuring out the process for changes in the review of plain language big book. It would be changed for the next printing so it doesn't have to cost anything.

20. Area Committee and Assembly Motions: Duncan L.

GSR going to preconference assembly will have the opportunity to vote on the motions. It would be great for them to take the motions to their groups and get a consensus first. sent out a virtual format for everyone to refer to on their own.

- How do you want your 7th tradition dollars spent at the area
- CNCA has local offices to sell literature and they currently just have a display at assembly
- Literature must be available in english and spanish
- Add inventory question to p30 of the pamphlet
- CNCA create a sub committee on safety and inclusion

21. What's On Your Mind????

- Laura needs a group to host anniversary party

22. Close