

Napa District 11  
Panel 75 General Service Meeting Minutes  
1:30PM – 3:30PM  
April 12, 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- DCM District 11  
John- GSR for Gliders and Intergroup Liason  
Kaeli- GSR Serenity on Saturdays  
Jackie- Area Recording Secretary  
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  
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  
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.
4. Volunteers for Month of May:
  - a. GSR Report Back: Jo Moore
  - b. Tradition V: Nell
  - c. Concept V: Phil
5. Tradition IV: (Meaghan P.)
  - a. *Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or **A.A.** as a whole.*
6. Concept III: (Melanie A.)
  - a. *At all responsible levels, we ought to maintain a traditional “Right of Participation,” allowing a voting representation in reasonable proportion to the responsibility that each must discharge.*
7. Approval of minutes from March Meeting Phil motions, Derek seconds

8. GSR Report Back: Derek C.

9. Upcoming Dates to Remember:

- a. CNCA 06 – Area Committee Meeting – Sat. April 26, 2025 – Petaluma Community Center  
[Area Committee Meeting / Junta de Comité del Area – CNCA 06](#)
- b. Post Conference Assembly – Sat. May 17, 2025 – St. Gregory’s Hall – San Francisco  
[Post Conference Assembly – CNCA 06](#)
- c. District 11 Unity Day – Sat. June 21, 2025 – Crosswalk Church - Napa

10. Financial Oversight Committee Update: Jason A

Failed to organize the committee for this month, so far has been an absolute failure and sending apologies.

11. Update on Unity Day: Laura K

Laura needs help with having a panel of speakers. She has Layne BBQ and a potluck chair who has a team. Speakers for H&I, bridging the gap, PIPIC, Napypa. They will all have tables, have a speaker and one other person at all times. All day kinda thing, starts about 10-1030. Speaker panel from 11-12. Entertainment with the festering resentments. Thinking about a raffle, which we will not collect funds for. Saturday, June 14th at Crosswalk Church. Truck to get garbage out, Alex has volunteered.

12. Assembly Recap / Shared Storage @ Crosswalk Church: Duncan L.

Went to assembly in Santa Cruz and got to snack and bitch. It was really nice to show up as part of our fellowship and support Chitra. They dressed up as Barbie and sang. Apparently it was the theme. And a moment. Talking about doing a combined clean up and organization day with the storage container. There might be some small financial implications for that.

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

Teresa agreed to be our bridging the gap chair and Nell said she has to be here to be elected.

14. Visiting Area Officer: Jackie B. (Area 06 Recording Secretary)

‘How Does a Motion Become an Agenda Item’

Any individual can submit an agenda item. “Good ideas can come from anywhere”. Each district will discuss and potentially pass a motion. If the district passes it, then the district chair would bring it to the area. DC would write to the Area Chair. The DC representing the area would present that motion and bring the original motion maker to the area committee meeting but they don’t have to. Then our area committee hears a presentation of new business, reasons, intent, need and then people can ask clarifying questions on the intent and wording. Then the area motions will be presented to the whole assembly. Then the following assembly which could be a month later or 4 months later, that will be when we

begin discussions. Once the area is ready to vote at the assemblies and it passes, our delegate would then write a letter. Should it pass a "Proposed Agenda Item aka PAI". Then it would be reviewed by the appropriate committee. Our board of trustees could say either "this falls under our right of decision" or it will get sent to the conference. Board of trustees meeting in January before the conference that the staff at GSO pushed through. Even though it's timely you get to work through a lot of kinks. You get to start seeing the bigger picture.

15. Break and 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition – PayPal: [gsdistrict11@gmail.com](mailto:gsdistrict11@gmail.com)

16. Jeff D- Fall Assembly. We have almost every chair position filled. Potluck dinner. Needs help transporting equipment from Summer to Fall assembly.

17. Officer Reports: (90 seconds each )

DCMC - Duncan

Alt. DCMC PI/CPC - Phil Met on 3/30/25. Tom dropped off pamphlets to health and human services. Doug gave AA schedules to the NV department of corrections. John dropped off pamphlets to the library. Elizabeth dropped off to up valley family centers. Phil attended the meeting. Translating everything into Spanish so English on front and Spanish on back for next printing.

DCM 01- Derek DCM's are thinking about dividing up the meetings a little bit differently. Derek checked into Saturday meeting and they're doing better. Talking with Participation Meeting Thursday night at Sea Scouts.

DCM 02- Melanie Visiting Women's groups once a month.

DCM 03- Michael Still trying to get a GSR for the HUT group. Had a great GSR school Treasurer- Meaghan sent over the treasurer report. We are a little under prudent reserve (a little over \$200). Was going to try and set up a zelle account to try and facilitate getting more digital payments from group. We do have a paypal. Wants GSR to encourage groups to use paypal instead of writing checks. If any of the groups want a receipt she's switching the district over to a digital receipt so if the group can write on their check their email address to get a digital receipt. Recording Secretary- Ali is taking minutes.

Registrar- Jason. Has a workshop with a sharing session after that.

Archives- Angela sent in a written report.

Web- Derek recently learned how to post news to the website and put stuff on the calendar. Now knows how to do all his duties and responsibilities. Excited to learn how to put a new meeting on the schedule. Going to go over website for changes.

Tech- Nell has nothing new to report.

Literature- Jo Grapevine app is available. Was created to get current voice from our fellowship.

BTG

Beginners Mtg- Terry attached a report. Was on vacation, meeting with Erica who was her replacement while she was gone.

Tech Committee

Intergroup Liaison - Laura K Met in person at crosswalk. They're cleaning out the storage today after the meeting and we have a new hotline chair. Travis is BACK! Emily from Lake County has asked if she can go under our hotline umbrella.

H&I Liaison - Nell wasn't able to attend the meeting in person. John K is our H&I chair. There are

a lot of meetings being taken into a lot of places right now. We need more spanish speaking people right now.

NAPYPAA Liaison- Meaghan Napypaa is having a game night at 730 at the sea scouts building april 19th. Speaker meeting, games and refreshments. Suggest \$5 contribution to help pay for the space. Robin is the new chair.

Unity Day -

**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.

18. Housekeeping Motions: None

19. Old business: None

20. Presentation of New Business: None

21. Discussion Items: (Continued from March District Business Meeting)

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

- Phil agrees.
- Michael wants to know if it costs money to change it.
- Duncan noted that there are already planned reprinting so it would not be additional.
- Jo having a plain language book there are several places that she would want to change to be more inclusive. We should all read through and see what works or doesn't work for us. Thinks this is a significant change that needs to be supported.
- Melanie thinks it's so important that we reach every alcoholic and that spirituality is such a personal thing and she is thankful to Nell for bringing this forward.

22. Area Committee and Assembly Motions: Duncan L.

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

Derek- Spanish speaking meetings after 530 that he isn't capable of communicating with and was wondering how we represent them. Duncan said they have their own representation already, but thinks we can bridge better with the Spanish community in Napa.

Laura- Intergroup has also been talking about having some type of spanish liaison to make contact. Duncan will work out bridging that at area. We're partnering with district 18 for the food for fall assembly.

24. Closing: Responsibility Statement