

# District 28 Meeting Minutes

Sunday, July 29, 2012

## Attendance:

Alternate Chair	Paula D.	
Treasurer	Char S.	
Secretary (Stand-in)	Paige B.	
Men's Correction Chair	Walter R.	
Women's Correction Chair	Paige B.	
Treatment Chair	Willye M.	
CPC/PI Chair	Janet B.	
Literature Chair	Darral M.	
Grapevine Representative	Debra S.	
Archives	John R.	
Dunnellon New Beginnings Gp	GSR	Debra S.
Keep In Step Group	GSR	Mary S.
Attitude Adjustment Group	GSR	Rose C.
Attitude Adjustment Group	Alt. GSR	Janet B.
Inverness Wednesday Night Group	GSR	John R.
Floral City Men's Group	GSR	Darral M.
Floral City Group	GSR	David N.
High Noon Group	GSR	Mike W.
Resentment Group	GSR	Willye M.
High Noon Group	Alt. GSR	Paul B.
Women's Friendship Group	GSR	Jenet R.
Crystal River Group	GSR	Sandy H.
Last Chance Group	GSR	Paige B.

Visitors: John A., Rainbow Group

The meeting was called to order at 6:00PM.

The Serenity Prayer, Declaration of Unity and Responsibility Pledge were read and all were welcomed by Paula, the Alternate DCM.

### **Secretary's Report**

Roll Call was taken. There were seventeen in attendance with eleven groups represented and able to vote. Minutes from the June 2012 District 28 meeting were accepted as posted. A district contact sheet with group information was circulated in an effort to update our records. Updated group information must be received by the area prior to the next assembly in order to ensure voting eligibility at the next assembly.

### **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's report was reviewed, discussed and accepted.

### **Men's Corrections Report**

This is the report for the month of July, 2012. We are now seeking an Assistant Chairperson & Chairperson for the Men's Corrections Committee. July 4th (Cancelled by CCA) July 11th (25 Inmates Attended) July 18th (26 Inmates Attended) July 25<sup>th</sup> (27 Inmates Attended). During the July meetings, (7) little big books & 11 donated grapevines & several Where & When's & other AA pamphlets were taken by the inmates for the month of July. If any one is interested in becoming a corrections committee member and is able to attend the meetings inside the jail then please call me @352-489-2238 or 352- 895-6422 or email me @ [walter@citruspainting.com](mailto:walter@citruspainting.com) For information.

Walter M., Men's Correction Chair.

### **Women's Corrections Report**

No Meetings were facilitated this month. There is interest from several women willing to carry the message into the jail. There is a new, shortened application for volunteers available.

### **Treatment Report**

All is well and functioning smoothly at the Arsat / Centers, Lecanto , Fri /

Sun meetings 9 am to 10 pm, there are new rules being placed at the center

and any and all will have to be badged and cleared, stating who they are and the reason

for their visit , on visitors badges need to be visible at all times. This is understandable

as we are working with youth. The message and meeting are going fantastic , and the youth are really starting to not only grab a hold of the message of A.A. , but are carrying the message of A.A. to the new youth that are brought into their program , and our A.A. groups , to see this program in action as it unfolds in the youth is truly beautiful. Also we had two more bridging the gap , and three people were placed into treatment , and one into de-tox. What an honor for our district to be there for others , and for allowing me the honor to serve A.A. and this district in this way , Willye M . Treatment Chair, District 28

### **CPC/PI Report**

Sites stocked with meeting schedules during June and July were; County Court House, Court Alternatives Program, the Centers, Inverness Sherriff's Station, Crystal River Sherriff's Sub-Station, YANA Club, Lakes region Library and the Children's Visitation Center. The State Probation and Parole and County Probation and Parole Offices received where and whens as well as the Nature Coast Intergroup pamphlet, "Ordered to Attend AA."

When I went to the Shore Crest Auditorium there were zero schedules available so, I left a big stack. My next stop at the Emergency Room in Citrus Memorial Hospital our usual double holder was there (I refilled it) as well as a new single holder with schedules. Go figure!

Janet Bruno

### **Literature Report**

There were no requests.

### **Grapevine Report**

The Sunset Program, the Grapevine is retiring some of its literature specifically, books that are no longer in demand and cassettes and archiving them.

There is talk of a merger between The Grapevine and World Services. Trustees will discuss this in the future.

Stories for submission to The Grapevine can now be called in.

An Area-wide contest for the district with the most Grapevine subscriptions is well underway with District 27 in the lead. The district with the most Grapevine subscriptions will win a first edition Big Book. The contest deadline is October 13, 2012. Subscription renewals count in this contest. An article will appear in the NCI Journal in August, September and October. GSRs were encouraged to bring this back to their groups and encourage sales.

## **NCI Liaison Report**

Inventory sales have dropped from \$900.00 to \$130.00. A vote to eliminate inventory was taken and approved.

The NCI Hotline needs a volunteer to carry the phone. Currently, there is a temporary volunteer carrying it.

There was discussion of moving the monthly NCI meeting to the new club in Hernando. It was decided to stay in Holder at the Community Center.

The Gratitude Dinner is looking for groups to donate entrees. Additionally prizes for a Chinese auction are being sought. The Gratitude Dinner is scheduled for November 18, 2012 and will be held at St. Benedicts Church. Sandy H. is the Chair and may be contacted for donations or further information.

## **Archives Report**

Last month the archivist received a box from Beverly Hunter's collected materials. The contents were reviewed and considered to be more personal memorabilia in nature than archival material. There were several interesting books.

At the Archives workshop at the Area Assembly, the main topic was Area 14.

There is a new form available for gathering information.

We now have the original form of District 28 information which was previously lost.

Willie has an original Citrus County Meeting Schedule and will donate it to Archives.

## **ALT DCM Report**

It is my privilege and pleasure to serve as District 28's Alt DCM

### **District**

I attended to post conference workshop sponsored by District 13 on Saturday July 21<sup>st</sup>. Our Alternate Delegate and several of the Area Service Coordinators were there doing their "Speed Dating" to inform us of the results of the Conference.

The Yulee Group is no longer meeting and disbanded.

### **Where and Whens**

If there are any changes that need to be made, please let me know.

### **Workshops**

Workshop 4th Step - Sat 10/6/2012 with Jay B.

Emotional Sobriety - March 30, 2013 with Polly P.

### **Area Assembly**

Our District was represented by 8 voting members. GSR's and Alternate GSR's: Paige B., Steve N., Mary S., Debra S., John R., Genet R., and Brenda R and the Alternate DCM.

It was passed that the Area would budget coffee at \$750 per Assembly.

Daily Reflections is now available on Android at no fee.

"Self Support" was demonstrated by our Delegate by putting \$7.00 in an envelope to GSO, Area, District and to the intergroup office. "It starts with the basket and individuals being self supporting."

56<sup>th</sup> Florida State Convention – August 1-5, 2012 at Innisbrook Golf & Spa Resort, Palm Harbor, FL

The dates for the upcoming Assemblies are October 12-14, 2012 and for 2013, the assemblies will be held at Lake Mary, FL January 18-20, 2013 and March 29-31, 2013. You can make reservations for these on the North Florida Area website at <http://www.aanorthflorida.org>

The district has 2 rooms reserved for GSR's for groups that do not have funds to send their GSR to assembly, please let me know if you will be needing one of these rooms.

The South East Regional Forum (SERF) will be held in Boca Raton this year.

### **GSO India**

Greetings from G.S.O. India

On 1st of July, a TV show hosted by Mr. Aamir Khan on Alcoholism in which contact detail of Alcoholism Anonymous were flashed. Working Trustees and GSO India were in constant touch with production team for past more than six months providing them information on AA. The show was telecast in more than 152 countries and on eight channels (STAR) in regional languages Marathi, Tamil, Bengali, Malayalam, Telugu apart from Hindi simultaneously

Following episode there have been more than 90,000 calls, 18,000 SMSes, 700 mails and so many unrecorded calls at GSO.

In more than 1100 groups, approx 250 meetings per day, on an average three newcomers are coming and 70% of them are coming for second meeting and are sober for two-three days..

### **Tradition Seven – long form**

The A.A. groups themselves ought to be fully supported by the voluntary contributions of their own members. We think that each group should soon achieve this ideal; that any public solicitation of funds using the name of Alcoholics Anonymous is highly dangerous, whether by groups, clubs, hospitals, or other outside agencies; that acceptance of large gifts from any source, or of contributions carrying any obligation whatever, is unwise. Then too, we view with much concern those A.A. treasuries which continue, beyond prudent reserves, to accumulate funds for no stated A.A. purpose. Experience has often warned us that nothing can so surely destroy our spiritual heritage as futile disputes over property, money, and authority.

### **The Traditions Checklist from the AA Grapevine**

These questions were originally published in the AA Grapevine in conjunction with a series on the Twelve Traditions that began in November 1969 and ran through September 1971. While they were originally intended primarily for individual use, many AA groups have since used them as a basis for wider discussion.

Every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.

Honestly now, do I do all I can to help AA (my group, my central office, my GSO) remain self-supporting? Could I put a little more into the basket on behalf of the new guy who can't afford it yet? How generous was I when tanked in a barroom?

Should the Grapevine sell advertising space to book publishers and drug companies, so it could make a big profit and become a bigger magazine, in full color, at a cheaper price per copy?

If GSO runs short of funds some year, wouldn't it be okay to let the government subsidize AA groups in hospitals and prisons?

Is it more important to get a big AA collection from a few people, or a smaller collection in which more members participate?

Is a group treasurer's report unimportant AA business? How does the treasurer feel about it?

How important in my recovery is the feeling of self-respect, rather than the feeling of being always under obligation for charity received?

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### **Concept VII – short form**

The Charter and Bylaws of the General Service Board are legal instruments, empowering the trustees to manage and conduct world service affairs. The Conference Charter is not a legal document; it relies upon tradition and the A.A. purse for final effectiveness.

Do we act responsibly regarding the “power of the purse?”

Do we realize that the practical and spiritual power of the Conference will nearly always be superior to the legal power of the G.S.B.?

Thank you for allowing me to serve. Roll Call was taken. Eleven groups were represented.

### **Old Business:**

There was no old business.

### **New Business:**

- The group number for the New Beginnings Group in Dunnellon is incorrect.
- A suggestion of Grapevine subscriptions being purchased with funds from the Corrections Budget(s) was brought forth and discussed. Although a good idea, it was decided that the somewhat limited funds available for literature were best spent in other ways particularly, in light of the generous number of Grapevines already either purchased for or donated to Corrections.

The meeting adjourned at 6:58PM.