

2019 December Committee Meeting

Salt Lake City, December 7, 2019

Kristen opens meeting at 9:00 am. In usual manor, asking for a moment of silence, reading of the pre-amble, anonymity statement. New GSR's 1 new. Introduction of Area Officers and Chairs.

Secretary report Mieshell. Motion to approve made by and seconded by

Treasure report David Made a bad joke. Looking at the numbers, we have about \$1,700 than we did last month. We have taken in almost \$3,750 more than we have spent this year. We not have \$13,162 in checking and \$4,500 in savings. We do have some bigger expenses near the first of the year and our prudent reserve should probably be higher. Also, things fluctuate from year to year. There is inflation to thing about. Are our budget for standing chairs enough? Do they have enough money to reach out in our myriad of ways to the alcoholic who still suffers? Are we giving out enough seed money for the events the districts host? These are all questions we need to mull around. All expenditures should be weighed against the stated purpose in our Area Preamble. "Helping to carry the message of Alcoholics Anonymous shall be the primary purpose of the Utah Area Service Assembly". I have faith in all of you that with God's help we will make the best decisions for the Area's finances.

Just to make you aware we have \$612. Left in standing chair Expense budget. We probably go over by a small amount as I cover expenses today. This is the last event of the year and we probably won't go over by more than a hundred or two.

Finally, I just want to thank all of you. You are my heroes. I know most of you do a lot more service for Alcoholics Anonymous than you tell people about. Blessing on your work. I hope that together we can give lot of people the chance to get sober.

Registrar Roll call, and report Cheryl H. Good Morning! I'm Cheryl H it's been my privilege to serve you and your groups as the Area 69 Registrar. Nothing has changed since I gave my report at the Area Workshop. GSO is still working on their new database to get it up and running by January 2020. Continue to send me any changes you have for your Districts. I am still updating the Area Directory. Then when GSO is up and running with Netsuite I will be entering the changes into their database.

The packets are still being delayed and you might check with your local Center office/Intergroup. and see if they have them. They should have your work books available which will get you started in your new position.

Delegates report Matt D. Hello friends my name is Matt and I'm an Alcoholic. I would like to thank all of you for your willingness to be of service to others. We have an opportunity to take an inventory and have a look at how well we are carrying our life saving message of recovery to the still suffering alcoholics. How are we doing at reaching out to the hopeless drunks on the streets, the members that are incarcerated, the young teenagers thinking about taking that first drink, and that alcoholic that speaks a different language than we do? Do they know who we are, where we are, and what we do? Do they know that we have a found solution? Let's find out this afternoon, let's ask ourselves those questions. Keep in mind as we go about the inventory today. We inventory the process, the service positions and not the individuals. Love and tolerance is our code and principles before personalities. As we move from topic to topic, I would encourage each of you to bring forward any and all ideas that we can discuss to improve our processes. Some tidbits from Kathi's report from GSO board weekend. I reported that the board had approved a \$1,000,000. Budget for renovations to the 8th floor of GSO. Well it looks like they are just about done at a cost of right around \$500,000. They may have sensed our

frustration. AAGV revenue is \$123,239 lower than budgeted and expenses are \$81,358 less than budgeted. AALV had a shortfall of \$110,860 vs. a budgeted shortfall of \$124,379. Magazine sales are up by 528 subscriptions. International Conventions/Regional Forums committee was presented with a second draft of a virtual Regional Forum. This is said to be an amazing piece showing what happens at Regional Forums. I'm told this should be ready for conference. I can't wait to get my hands on it to be able to share it with you. Redela, the meeting of the Americas, just took place in Buenos Aires. There are 35 member countries and 17 were represented through 19 delegates-some countries had two attendees. Only one woman attended and she was from Brazil. Many countries representatives could not attend because of instability in their countries. The Trustee at large shared that Venezuela is dealing with awful, heartbreaking conditions. One employee from Venezuela called in sick because she had not had enough to eat for three days and was ill. There are so many people fleeing the country and that includes tons of AA members, which is causing instability in AA. The 7th tradition that you guys contribute to the GSB is helping to get literature to these people through the international Literature Fund as they have struggled to produce the literature through their own means in this unstable situation. If one of you newer members need a reason for the buck in the basket this is a good one.

Immediate Past Delegate Wade.

Alt-Delegate Sheryl T. On November 6, 2019, I had the opportunity to attend the elections in District 3. Matt conducted the elections, which went smoothly, and many positions were filled. District 3 is very passionate about being of service!

I was invited to the GSR meeting in District 2 on November 26, 2019 to share my experience doing Corrections work in Area 69. Several others shared on this topic, and the five-minute talks were interesting and informative.

Matt and I had the privilege of assisting Rick V., the BTG Coordinator for District 10, in submitting a proposed agenda item to GSO for the 2020 General Service Conference. It was a lot of work and, when Rick hit the "send" button earlier this week, we were humbled to think that an AA member from Utah was a participant in the GSC process. If Rick is here today, please ask him about his idea!

Thank you all for attending this committee meeting and for taking part in the process of carrying the message of Alcoholics Anonymous to the still-suffering alcoholic. You are a vital link in this process and your participation is very important and is appreciated.

Area Chair Kristen Good Morning my Name is Kristen and I am an Alcoholic. I have the honor and privilege of serving you as your Area 69 Chairperson. I want to thank the host committee for their hard work. There is a lot of planning that goes on behind the scenes and volunteers that help make this day amazing. Over the last month I have been to a few different districts. I went with our Delegate and Alternate Delegate to District 3 for their elections. I love watching the passion people have for serving other alcoholics. I also went to the redistricting meeting on November 17th. District 2 is working hard to explore all the questions and possibilities out there. So many trusted servants were there to share their experience, strength, and hope with everyone. I went to the district 2 for the final committee meeting for the inventory and I stayed for their district meeting. Always a fun time watching my heroes carry the word to the next suffering. Thank you to everyone who invited me to their Districts. I am looking forward to this afternoon and listen to you guys tell us what you need or want from us.

Bid for 2020 Pass the Gavel Meeting, District 11 Kelly for mike F. District 10 Bonnie. **District 11 will host the 2020**

PI chair Evan. PSA will air 12/23/2019—1/4/2020 on the WLBC Radio App—Salt Lake City. I'll be running twice a day. Which leaves you with a total of 28 spots, running 3pm to 7pm.

Archives Ben. Hope everyone has a safe and sober season. I can say I have not got much as met last month. My work is the joy of retail. I was able to go to Honey Breakfast Club on thanksgiving 6:30 am ask for group information Honeys started in a coffee shop in SLC. I talked to Charlie T about the missing district 2 archives and the flood. Trying to get some history from him. Working with LGBTQ community to start a small event to get more archival material. I am hoping to get a lot more done after the winter season. Giving Area 69 more diversity of people that normally do not mix. (page 17) "There is a Solution" will do archive inventory this Sunday the 8th. January 18 will be a day in the new club house in Toole at a nooner meeting and off to Wendover by 7pm. Photo archives unity and fellowship Ben

Repository Archivist Janette H. Not a lot has been done in the last 30 days. I was able to finish the items donated to the archives this year. That is always for me fun, and exciting, informational.

Ben has contributed so much to the archives. Our monthly phone call always gives me insight and we share lots of laughter. I am still working on the information he passed on, that is on the Olympus recorder.

A reminder to all standing chairs if you didn't bring a copy of your inventory for the archives, you can e-mail them.

Communications chair Jolene

CPC Jill -- Jason and I were able to give a brief presentation to the Utah County ADDAPT Program. It was very well received and we were able to share some valuable literature. My next task has been to do the inevitable inventory and restock.

I am currently sending letters to other counties to see if presentations can be given in other locations. I am also preparing for addiction conferences coming in the early spring. Some of you may be called on to help as volunteers.

Corrections Chair Kevin; I missed you all at the Fall workshop in Salina I was there in spirit. Thanks to district 3 for inviting me to the corrections Workshop. Also, to District 2 for inviting me share my experience, strength and growth Corrections Chair. District 10 has a booth at the Fred Houser Building, where the prisoners came through to find out about different things that they can do after release such as AA, Treatment, AP&P, Housing, Insurance, and more. I was invited to speak on the radio stating and talk about corrections and fellowship as AA member in prison and jail. I had district 10 standing chair go with me It was a wonderful time to share my experience strength and hope. The station talked about AA service support and recovery.

Grapevine Lavinia Mike

Literature Mark; Not much since Salina. I have had the opportunity to help some new group literature people to get to know how important literature is for new people in recovery. I actually helped a group literature go down to Central Office and get books and pamphlets. That's about it for now until next year when I will do my best to hit the ground running.

Treatment Chair John W. We have a few new treatment facilities in our area and we are getting information to them. Several updates literature lists as well as verbiage is being placed in to our BTG workbooks the committee is doing well. We as an Area are meeting with district 12 tomorrow to participate in assisting the creation of District 12 Corrections and Treatment Committees and service positions to better carry the message. How

exciting. AA is back into Beaver County Jail now. More literature is being purchased and some new racks are needed for facilities and will be placed. The new Area 69 web server and direct e-mail accounts updating to going to be awesome. The BTG web site proposed programs are all progressing well. Looking forward to 2020 the new thing coming about.

District 11 Kelly for Mike F we have good attendance at our district meeting and most of our committee positions are full. We are in need of a DCM for our northern region. The GSR meeting is held on the second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 at the South Davis Recovery Club in Bountiful. District 11 is participating in the ad-hoc committee to review the possibility of redistricting of Districts 2 & 10. We are excited to be a part of this great committee. We are hosting a District workshop January 11th 2020 from 1:00 to 5:00 at the South Davis Recovery Club in Bountiful. The topics will be GSR responsibilities and Sponsorship. Several area officers will be helping and we hope to see some of you there.

District 10 Bonnie No written report submitted

District 7 Allen. District 7 is doing great. We want to thank Matt again for facilitating our elections. We still have some open positions after our elections so if you feel moved Literally moved down to southern Utah you can help us fill them. We still need Alt. DCM East DCM Southwest, PI/CPC & Alt. all other positions are filled and we have some new folks rationing into positions in January 1st. District is financially sound and we defrayed 3 DCM's to attend today. Our districted voted last month to discontinue the district landline phone. We've watched the cost continue to going up until it was around \$120.00 a month and we felt it just wasn't prudent to continue going on with that service. We formed an ad hoc committee to look at our options. After a couple of months discussion, we felt we still needed to keep our phone service. We voted the district to get a cell phone and seek cheaper service. A member donated a brand-new flip phone they were not using. We found a new cheaper carrier for a little over \$20.00 a month so as of now our new phone is active and we are very happy AA campers. The phone number is the same. We had a new lady, well new to our district any ways attend our district meeting last month. She asked us about the CEC committee and I'm like Huh?? Where she had come from, they had a "Cooperation with the Elderly Committee". That was news to me. She is going to bring us more information concerning this, but she really wants to volunteer for this service. That sounds way cool! Our next district meeting is in St George next Saturday 14th at 3:00. We are going to have some treats and fellowshiping before the district meeting. If you're passing through stop in.

District 6 Terry things are good in District 6. People from treatment centers and jails have been showing up at meetings. The Staying Alive group in Salina is hosting a Christmas Party December 14th at 5:00. If anyone is down that way bring a potluck dish and a \$7.00 white elephant gift. The Marysville group reports they have had an increase in attendance with visitors from the Richfield area. Archives gathered name tags and other related items from the Fall Workshop. A couple of our members (Bert & Sharry) donated Grapevines to take into Sevier county jail. A new motion was presented and passed at our last meeting to hold our monthly district meetings in Salina the second Sunday of every month at 4:00 hopefully to increase attendance. Our district is planning to discuss and vote on the 2020 budget at our meeting tomorrow. I appreciate all of the hard work sacrifice and service from all our district members and enjoy service with them.

District 3 Dena No written report submitted.

District 2 Tom It has been a good year in District 2. We have 68 groups in the district and 13 busy DCM's all of our standing chair positions are currently filled and the number of GSR's coming to district meeting is growing. Last month we had of the good fortune of having a number of guests from area and an area 69 past delegate come and speak about the power of caring the message behind the walls of the SL County Jail and Utah State

Prison. I would like to thank Renae, Matt, Kristin, Cheryl and Kevin for coming it is always a pleasure having visitors from the area. Many of us are involved in the committee to explore redistricting with District 10. We have also, provided a letter of assurance for SALTYPAA to help with their bid to host the WACYPPAA convention in Salt Lake from Dec. 31 2020 to January 3 2021. We believe that 2021 will be an exciting year in AA service. We hope to see you at PRASSA in Tucson AZ. In March, and the International in Detroit this summer.

District 1 Shelly No written report was submitted.

Create an Ad-Hoc for the notes for area inventory Leisa District 2 GSR Roxanne, Evan Josh DCM district 2 Bonnie DCM district Kevin

Past events –

Fall Workshop Terry thankful for the privileged of hosting the Fall Workshop and all we had to get it done. We were happy with the support we received from our district especially the dinner it ran a little late but we were content with the results of Saturday night. After expenses we were able to return \$163.55 plus seen money to the area

National Corrections Conference Kevin I am grateful to be able to go to the 3rd annual Correction Committee Conference. It was a wonderful experience to be surrounded by hundreds of United States, Canadian, Mexican Corrections Chairs. They had AA members who had the opportunity to work the program in prison. They spoke about their experience of AA program and recovery. We had the opportunity to vote on the next corrections conference to host 1-Alanta Georgia 2- New Orleans 3- Phoenix AZ. 4- Portland Oregon. We will be going to travel to New Orleans La. In 2020. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Febuary Committee meeting

PRASSA Wade March 6,7 & 8 in Tucson Az. Registration \$25.00. We have flyers or web site www.PRAASA.org.

Pre-Conference Assembly District 1, Shelly everything is set and requesting money. There is a flyer

Post-Conference District 5.

Motion discussion. There was no discussion about the motions this meeting. They could be voted on at the Pre-Conference assembly in April.

Open mike.

Loving discussion on the state of AA as a whole.

Break for Lunch. 1200

Reconvene 130

Kristen gave instructions and divided the group in to 6 tables to discuss the information on the inventory sheet.

Begin the Area Inventory

4:00 Report back from groups list.

There will be a report back from Ad-hoc committee in Febuary.

Meeting ends at 5:00 p.m. See you in 2020.