

GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY
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Meeting Minutes for July 15, 2018

Only GSRs, DCMs, their alternates, Committee Chairs, Elected Officers and Past Delegates may make motions or vote, although everyone has the right to be heard. Henry C., Area Delegate, opened the meeting at 1:00 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer. Christy L. read the Mission Statement. Chris C. read the 7th Tradition, Billy S. read the 7th Concept. Area 55 Panel 68 officers were introduced: Carrie C. - Mailing Secretary (Not Present), Chris C.- Recording Secretary, Kimbrough P.- Registrar, Kenney A.- Treasurer and Jim S.- Alt. Delegate/Area Chair (Not Present). Signed in were: 24 GSRs, 1 Alternate GSR, 4 DCMs, 2 Alternate DCMs, 1 DCMC, 2 Past Delegates, and 1 Guest. New GSRs and Alternates were: Christy L.-GSR, Live and Let Live and David B.-GSR, Guides to Progress. Past Delegates John C. and Nancy M. introduced themselves.

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Treasurer: Kenney A. / treasurer@area55aa.org

*In May, 6.77% or 21 of the 310 registered Groups in Area 55 made contributions. Year-to-date, 21.90% or 68 Groups contributed. **Is your Group Supporting Area 55 General Service?***

Kenney's report for May was as follows:

<u>5/31/2018 Checkbook Balance</u>	<u>\$5,563.88</u>
Income	\$1,163.94
Expenses	\$918.01
Total	\$5,809.81
6/30/18 Checkbook Balance	\$5,809.81
<u>5/31/2018 Prudent Reserve Balance</u>	<u>\$3,002.23</u>
Interest	.05
6/30/18 Prudent Reserve Balance	\$3,002.28
5/31/2018 Mini-Conference	\$800.00
Income	\$0.00
Expenses	\$0.00
6/30/18 Mini-Conference	\$800.00

Bob T.-GSR made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Deborah A.-DCM Dist. 1. Motion carried unanimously. Kenney also mentioned a thank you to all groups whom contributed funds to Unity Day. \$301 was raised to help host the event.

COMMITTEE/LIAISON REPORTS

Archives: Nancy M. / archives.chair@area55aa.org

No committee meeting was held. The only current commitment is the Ohio State Convention July 27-29, 2018. Next committee meeting will be at 5:00pm at Central Office on 7/26/18. Respectfully Submitted, Nancy M., Chair.

Multi-District Correctional: Beth P. / corrections.chair@area55aa.org/

Beth P. gave the report. They had a table at Unity Day on July 7 and will have one at the Ohio State Convention. Commitments are going well and the body was notified that the issue at the Lucas County Jail has been resolved. They are sending a flyer in the Central Office announcements looking for committee members at this time. Next committee meeting will be 7/17/2018 5:30pm @ Central Office. Respectfully submitted, Beth P., Multi-District Correctional Co-Chair.

CPC/PI: Bill F. / cpc.pi@area55aa.org

No report available. Next meeting will be 7/18/18 5pm @ Central Office.

Grapevine: James S. / grapevine.chair@area55aa.org /

No report. Next committee meeting will be on 08/13/18 at 7:30pm at Tim Horton's in Oregon.

Group Services: Daniel H. / groupser.chair@area55aa.org

Daniel H. gave the report. All commitments were met at this time up to the time of the assembly. The committee met on July 3rd at Central Office. They discussed trying to bring in new members. Upcoming commitments of the District 14 picnic Aug. 26 were discussed as well. The committee however will not be available for the Ohio State Convention. Next committee meeting will be 8/7/18 6pm at Central Office. Respectfully submitted, Daniel H., Chair

Accessibilities: Dawn F. / accessibilities@area55aa.org

No report at this time. The next meeting will be 08/13/2018, 630pm at Frisch's on Navarre Ave.

Website: Jennifer H. / web.comm.chair@area55aa.org

Jennifer H. gave the report. The committee met on 07/7/2018 at 9am at Grounds for Thought. Several committee members were present along with our Area 55 Delegate Henry C. along with our webmaster. Introductions were made and discussion of adding Intergroup committee info was discussed. Similar to what we offer for General Service committees. The review of other area websites is continuing. Carrie C. and Rick B. will provide updates in the near future. They are continuing review of conference approved literature and have decided to add the MG-15 pamphlet to the site. Geno F. is working to review those documents. The committee and webmaster are installing a new platform for ease of use via mobile devices that should roll out in July. 644 website users were recorded in June with 880 individual browsing sessions. The State Convention was also discussed. Next meeting will be 08/19/2018 at 10am at Black Kite Coffee in Toledo. Respectfully submitted, Jennifer H., Chair

The site page164 was brought up as if we could post a link to that on our site. The committee explained their guidelines as written do not allow them to post to outside entities such as page164.com.

Intergroup Liaison: Tim D.

No report. The next meeting will be 7/21/2018 6:30pm at Faith Lutheran Church.

NOCYPAA Bid Committee for OYPAA Conference: Lars J.

Lars J. provided the report. The last event Sunnypalooza III was a great success with fun had by all. The sunset meeting was great and they thank all whom came out to support them. They will be assisting with kid games and face painting at the Pig Roast July 21. They are looking forward to their role in the Ohio State Convention. They also appreciate the letters of recommendation they have received and our delegate visiting their planning meeting in July. No future meeting date was announced at this time. Respectfully Submitted, Lars J. GSR-NOCYPAA Bid Committee.

MONCYPAA Bid Committee for MCYPAA Conference Liaison: Logan T.

Lars J. presented the report. The committee has met twice and is working on contract terms with Splash Universe and Best Western in Dundee for a two hotel bid for the MCYPAA Conference in November 2019. They will be having slip n' slide kickball on 8/18/18 at Waterloo Park in Monroe, MI. No next committee meeting date was available at this time. Respectfully submitted, Lars J.

DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEMBER ("DCM") REPORTS

DCM Chair: John C.

John C., DCMC, Area 55, said the DCMs met today. The DCMs met at 1130am on 7/15/18. We discussed any current problems occurring in districts before moving to a review of Unity Day. We discussed the positives of Unity Day and what could be worked on. We also discussed due to what occurred in a district meeting possibly having a workshop panel on what our basket is for/donating through the structure. We asked that we put Ron S., District 11 DCM in our thoughts and prayers as he continues to recover. We also discussed through Unity Day what we'd like to see added or changed in 2019 for the next event including possibly a past delegate panel for those whom have questions within the structure. The next DCM meeting will be held at the Senior Center 8/19/2018 1130am. Respectfully submitted, John C., DCMC

District 1: Deborah A.

Deborah A. reported she and her alternate DCM, Chris L. are working presently to connect with all 13 groups within their district and will have more progress to report in August. Respectfully Submitted, Deborah A., DCM District 1

District 3: Dave G.

No report. Their next meeting will be 530pm 7/16/18 at Northwood Church of God, where Living Sober meets.

District 2/4: Betsy G./Tim D.

Tim D., DCM for District 4, gave their report. Meeting was held 7/11/18. In new business the conversation occurred regarding how when groups distribute funds where should they be sent. We discussed how groups can send those funds throughout the structure. GSRs were encouraged to know their group number with GSO to assist in processing. They also were advised that they can contribute online. The function of Intergroup committees and their purpose was discussed. The upcoming workshop flyer was discussed and made available for the 7/15/18 assembly. They broke down their thoughts and ideas for the next Unity Day as well. Their next meeting will be 8/15/18 7pm @ Reformation Lutheran Church. Respectfully submitted, Tim D., District 4 DCM.

District 7: Mike M.

Mike M. briefly reported on the district treasury along with the attendance at recent meetings. The next meeting will be held 7/19/18 6pm @ Central Office. Respectfully Submitted, Mike M., District 7 DCM

District 8: Darlene K.

No report. The next meeting will be 8/16/18 630pm @ Grounds for Thought Coffeehouse, Bowling Green, OH. Respectfully submitted, Darlene K., DCM District 8.

District 14: Neal M.

Neal M. provided the report. Neal read a letter from the Correctional facility in Lima, thanking AA for the contribution of Big Books to the facility. They are being used as part of the rehabilitation process and due to the contribution, they have taken a meeting into the facility. The district was grateful for the opportunity to participate in Unity Day. They had Christmas in July on the 14th. They also are getting ready for the St. Rita's Friendship Picnic on August 26 at Farout Park. The next district meeting will be held 8/14/18 at 6:30pm at 222 S. West Street, Lima. Respectfully submitted, Neal M., District 14 DCM.

District 16: Damion T.

Billy S. provided the report. The DCM and alternate DCM were not available for the meeting due to an event within the Northcoast Intergroup they were attending. They met on June 26, 2018 at Oak Harbor Library, They have made arrangements with the library to host meetings there in the foreseeable future. They have asked Chris C. to complete an updated District 16 meeting flyer with Billy's and Damion's phone# to update the 4th Tuesday meeting time. They are also as a district working toward a date for either a district workshop or GSR workshop in the near future. The next meeting will be at Oak Harbor Public Library, 6pm 7/24/18.

DELEGATE'S REPORT: Henry C. / delegate@area55aa.org

Henry C. presented his report as Delegate for Panel 68. He first thanked all those whom participated in Unity Day. We had 102 participants from 11 of 17 districts along with 51 groups represented. The second order of business was the Ohio State Convention. He went over current numbers as of 6/29/2018 including 87 registration and 18 scholarship requests. We have a total of \$1,155 in hospitality donations. We also have available 42.84 scholarships as of this date. The treasurer for the convention returns 7/15/18 to find additional registrations and we encourage any whom have not registered to do so. We also as officers and committee chairs will have a walk-through, contract signing and give a rough estimate of banquets on 7/18/2018 5pm at Holiday Inn French Quarter. The delegates were notified of a re-scheduling of the General Service Conference request due to a clerical error. There was a reservation made for 2019 for April 21-27, instead of April 28-May 4. They were requesting delegate feedback regarding the concern. The cost to change dates to the only available date of May 17-25, 2019 would be \$142,000. After discussion, the body came to a consensus to ask New York not to move the conference from the April 21-27, 2019 dates. An agenda for the Ohio State Convention will be made available on the area website hopefully by 7/18/18. The trustee committees are now working on a polling process to have delegates help set the agenda for future conferences. Respectfully submitted, Henry C., Panel 68, Area 55 Delegate.

OLD BUSINESS

Henry C. requested a motion from the body to send \$36.50 from the assembly basket to New York. A motion was made by Chrissy M., Alt. DCM District 14, seconded by Bob T., GSR. Approved unanimously. We also made mention that we will be providing a letter of support to the MONCYPAA bid for the Michigan Young People's State Convention.

NEW BUSINESS

Tim D. requested a motion for \$150 to help fund the District 2/4 workshop. The motion was made by Jennifer H., GSR-Perrysburg AM, seconded by Billy S., Oak Harbor Into Action. Approved unanimously. He also made mention that flyers were available for their GSR workshop upcoming on October 20. We made mention that all are welcome to come.

Motion to adjourn was made by Tim D., DCM District 4, seconded by Billy S., GSR- Oak Harbor into Action. Motion carried. **Meeting adjourned at 2:05 PM, closing with the Responsibility Statement.**

Next GSR Assembly Meeting will be held on August 19, 2018 at 1:00 PM at the Senior Center. Clean up for August will be District 3. Tradition 8 will be Deborah A. Downtown Group, Concept 8 will be Billy S., Oak Harbor into Action.

Respectfully Submitted,
Chris C., Recording Secretary Area 55, Panel 68, NW Ohio