

<b>GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY</b>	
<b>Area 55, Panel 64 NW Ohio &amp; Monroe Michigan</b>	
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<b>Meeting Minutes For July 19, 2015</b>	

John C. opened the meeting at 1:00 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer. Howard H. read the Mission Statement, Chris C. the 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition and Jackie B. the 7<sup>th</sup> Concept. The Area 55 Panel 64 officers were introduced; Nancy C. – Mailing Secretary, Henry C. – Recording Secretary, Janet B. – Registrar, Karen M. – Treasurer and Nancy M. – Delegate. Signed In; 2 Past Delegate, 3 DCM's, 36 GSR's, 4 Alt GSR's, 1 Web Master and 4 Guest. New GSR, Bill D Open Minded and Bob W. Warm Heart Serenity and Alt Pat D. Warm Heart Serenity.

Only GSR's, DCM's or their alternates may make motions or vote, although everyone has the right to be heard.

<b>RECORDING SECRETARY: Henry C.</b>	<a href="mailto:recording.secretary@area55aa.org">recording.secretary@area55aa.org</a>
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June Meeting Minutes were presented by Henry Coombs. No errors were noted. Motion to accept was made by Tim D. Came To Believe and seconded by Willie R. Young Peoples. Motion carried. **Please note: Committee meeting minutes may also be submitted electronically by e-mail to [Recording.Secretary@area55aa.org](mailto:Recording.Secretary@area55aa.org). Reports need to be submitted the day of the Area Assembly for the mailing to be completed on time. Thank You!**

<b>TREASURER: Karen M.</b>	<a href="mailto:treasurer@area55aa.org">treasurer@area55aa.org</a>
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The report was read by Karen M.	
Beginning Balance May 31, 2015	\$1,757.50
Income:	\$ 907.66
Total	\$2,665.16
Expenses:	\$1,145.93
Total	\$1,145.93
Checkbook Balance June 30, 2015	\$1,519.23
Prudent Reserve Account	
Beginning Balance May 31, 2015	\$3,000.43
Interest	.05
Ending Balance May 31, 2015	\$3,000.48
Mini Conference 2015	
Beginning Balance April 30, 2015	\$ 800.00
Income:	- 0 -
Total	\$ 800.00
Expenses:	<u>- 0 -</u>

Checkbook Balance May 31, 2015

\$ 800.00

Motion to accept the report was made by Tim D. Came To Believe and seconded by Ed C. Old West End. Motion carried.

**In June, of the 310 registered Groups in Area 55, 20 Groups made contributions or 6.5% and Year to Date 70 Groups or 22.6%.**

**Is your Group Helping Support Area 55 General Service.**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**ARCHIVES Committee: Deborah T.**

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The Archives Committee met on June 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM at Central Office. In attendance were Scott M., Steve M., Bill W. Jim L. and Chair Deborah T. Bill W. has the recorder and will begin recoding old timers in the Bowling Green, Ohio area. Jim L. has a list of people to be interviewed. We discussed the need to transfer the reel recordings to a new format. Work continues on transferring material into notebooks. The plan is to have it completed by the end of the year.

The Archives attended Anniversaries at Sylvania Sunday Night on July 12<sup>th</sup> and Principals Before Personalities on July 16<sup>th</sup>. We will be going to Lima's on Saturday July 25<sup>th</sup>.

Much discuss followed. She asked if we should keep the old Grapevine's as part of our Archives. She asked for and a motion was made by Ed C. to keep them as a part of our Archive's and seconded by Willie R. Motion was voted on with one no vote. Chip P. of Findlay Thursday Night OL said he would like to take it back to his group for a better informed decision. The chair asked if anyone wanted to change their vote, seeing none the motion carried. The Committee asked the body for direction about what to do with duplicate copies of old Grapevine magazines dating back to the 1950's. Bryan L. made a motion to take it back to their groups and come back next month with their feedback on what to do with the old copies. The motion was seconded by Meladie J. Motion carried. Discussion followed.

Next meeting will be July 30<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 P.M. at Central Office.

Respectfully submitted; Deborah T.

**CPC/PI Committee: Kristen T.**

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The Committee gave reports for June and July.

**June** - The meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer at 6:50 PM. In attendance was Kristin T., Jackie B. Mary Beth I., Tom D. and Chip P. We reviewed the Concept Twelve pamphlet.

Kristin spoke at St. John's UCC Church on June 7<sup>th</sup> and gave a brief talk about what AA is and left some literature. Upcoming events are at Terra College Benefits Fair sometime in August, Harbor Young Persons Health Fair on August 12<sup>th</sup> from 9-2 and Around the Town at Tiffin University in September.

We received a Thank You note from Project Homeless. We received a request from NY about sharing our experience, strength and hope to the elderly. Jim M. PI Coordinator sent a memo stating AA.org has great PI resource page. Chip P. will be reaching out to PO's, Underage Drinking Programs for Teens and providing them with, schedules, pamphlets and yellow cards.

**July** -The meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer at 7:00 PM. In attendance were Kristin T., Jackie B. Mary Beth I. and Chip P. We continued to read the Concept Twelve pamphlet.

Upcoming events are at Terra College Benefits Fair from 3-5 PM August 12<sup>th</sup> in Fremont, Harbor Young Persons Health Fair on August 12<sup>th</sup> from 9-2 at the 22<sup>nd</sup> St. location, August 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM Riegal Recovery Services is having a panel of recovery speakers, Around the Town at Tiffin University in September Under Age Drinking Information Program in Tiffin in September and Ohio justice Alliance for Community Corrections Conference in Columbus. We hope to attend the 2 day conference.

Jackie has sent or delivered packets to Sarah's House in Bryan and Pro medic in Fremont. We are

working to get in touch will Civic Organizations. Meeting ended at 7:45 PM.  
Next meeting will be August 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM at Central Office.  
Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.  
Respectfully Submitted, Kristen T.

**GRAPEVINE Committee: Bob O.**

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Grapevine Committee Financial Reports  
June31, 2015

Beginning Balance	\$161.38
Income	\$ 52.50
Expenses	--0--
Ending Balance 6/30/15	\$213.88

The Grapevine Committee Meeting was held on June 20, 2015 at Bay Park Hospital cafeteria at 1:00 PM.  
Present were Bob O. Chair, Luis N., Michelle N., Veronica N. Bill B. Jim B and Bob S.  
Discussed upcoming events, and welcomed 2 new members, Jim B. and Bob S.  
Next meeting will be on July 25<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM at Bay Park Hospital cafeteria.  
Respectfully Submitted, Bob O. Chair

**GROUP SERVICES Committee: David G.**

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The committee met on July 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:15 PM. at my house. Present were David G. and Steve G. We opened with the Serenity Prayer. We attend the Principals Before Personalities Anniversary on July 16<sup>th</sup>. We ended the meeting with the Lord's Prayer.  
The next meeting will be on August 11th at 7:00 PM at Navarre Park.  
Respectfully submitted; David G. Chair.

**SPECIAL NEEDS: Becky L.**

We met on Thursday June 18th at 5:30 PM at Central Office. Present were Becky L., Jim L and Felicia S. We believe we have a good format and updated the shut in list. We discussed how we could better help those with special needs.  
We did not have a meeting in July.  
Next meeting will be Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup> 2015 at 5:30 PM at Central Office.  
Respectfully submitted; Becky L.

**Multi-District Correctional Chair: Keith R.**

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Meeting was held on June 15, 2015 at Central Office at 5:30PM. The meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer.  
Present were Keith R., Linda N., Bob H., Deb S. and Dale S.  
Linda N. reported Work Release is at a new location starting in July at 1414 Madison. Steve S. called in and reported that Work Release is going good. Groups please show up for your responsibilities. Rob H. said that no groups have showed for the Drivers Intervention meeting but the meeting is going well. Dale S. said he and John J. are sharing the meeting at the State Prison and it is going well. Keith R. reports he

and Juan R. are sharing the County Jail and they started a new meeting on Friday along with the Thursday meeting. We are also trying to get a women's meeting started. Melddie J. said no one showed for the from Talbot for the Drive Intervention Program last week.

Next meeting will be July 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM at Central Office.

Respectfully submitted; Keith R. Chair

**INTERGROUP LIAISON: Danielle G.**

Not present

**WEB COMMITTEE: Josh D.**

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A Committee member has written an article for the August News Letter about the Committee and we will continue each month. Flyers have been sent to the Web Master after some changes of cropping out numbers (because it is a public domain) on one flyer I contacted all 3 people and got their permission. We are looking at a digital Archive section. We have 2 gigs of space to use. At the last meeting we agreed to do some research on guidelines from other areas and the AAWS guidelines. The Special Needs Committee has been talking to us about things we can do to help them. We would like to hear from other Committees on how we can help them. (area55aa.org )

Next meeting will be on August 16<sup>th</sup> at 11:30AM at the Senior Center. We hope to see you there.

Respectfully submitted; Josh D.

**NOCYPAA: Bryan L.**

Lauren opened the meeting at 5:09 PM with the Serenity Prayer. Introductions were given. Norm W. spoke on Tradition 9, "AA as such, ought never be organized, but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve." Nicole K. will be doing a presentation on Tradition 10 next meeting.

Secretary; Jenna G. read the meets of the last meeting.

Treasure; Bryan L. reported a balance of \$542.97. We made \$39 from the NOCYPAA Beach Day. We donated \$10 each to GSO, Intergroup and Central Office.

Hotel, Kevin M. completed the RFP. He will be posting it on the Committees web page. He needs help and will be having a sub-committee meeting Wednesday at 6:30 PM at Biggby on Sylvania and Talmadge.

Special Evets; Sarah R. will be having a sub-committee meeting Wednesday at 3:30 PM at Biggby at Cricket West.

Outreach; Assent

Newsletter; Vacant Position

Web/Merch; Vacant position

Unity; Absent

Support Letters; Layne has printed and passed out the letters of support for OYPA. Some have been signed since the last meeting.

New Business; We split into groups by sub-committee with the Chair. Jenna G. and Lauren B. volunteered to print and pass out OYPAA flyers to help out reach. Josh D. and Lauren B. are going to the Big Book Workshop in Dayton. It is required for bidding. Others volunteered to go. In the sub-committee break out Sarah has our next event as a volleyball party at Olander Park on July 26. Mike W. is making flyers. Jenna G. and Nicole K. are going to call hotels as soon as Kevin posts the RFP.

Progress was made with the bid skit.

With a motion to close from Jordan F. and seconded by Jenna G., the meeting ended at 6:10 PM with the Responsibility Statement.

Next Meeting will be held following our event on July 26<sup>th</sup> at Olander Park.

Respectfully submitted; Jenna G.

**AREA DELEGATE: Nancy M.**

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I had some things I wanted to bring up but I cannot get on the web site so I will have them next month. I will be sending the GS report to the web site because there is nothing in the report that cannot be put there. I attended the International Convention this month I was not there as an official representative of our Area however I did spend some time in our Regional Hospitality Room which was very well attended and very nice. The people in charge of it from Area 33 had bottled water with a label on it from our Region as something people could take away. We did have coffee in the morning. Several people from our Area spent time there to host. I would like to remind you there are some flyer I copied on the table for the regional Form in November which is in Milwaukee Wisc. the Regional form is put on by the GS Office. The office staff and General Manager will be there. There is no registration and the only cost is getting there and lodging. The other one is the next Delegate Past Delegates in February 2016 anyone can attend. By the year end, John and I have talked about this this morning of updating the Area guidelines. We need to include the Area Web Site, Liaison to Intergroup and other things that need to be updated. The plan is to have all the Officers review the guidelines and then have a meeting put together to revise the guidelines. Also I had a call from an AA member the day before yesterday requesting a sharing session. I was not aware of this so I read up on it in the Service Manual on pg. 40. He wants to have a sharing session on groups signing attendance slips. I talked about each group is autonomous and each group makes a decision whether they are or going to or not and he is well aware of that. He currently is not a member of a group because he won't join a group that sign slips. He has several other people that want to talk about this on a larger scale than just a few people getting together complaining about groups signing slips. I told him I would bring it up at the Assembly Meeting. So if anybody here is interested would raise their hand if you would be willing to spend some time in a sharing session, which according to our Service Manual is a session that can be called to talk about a topic that is going on in our Area. We will not make any decisions about the topic, because it is a group decision. But maybe people can gain some information about how it got started, way we do it and is it beneficial or not. I am going to ask for a show of hands of any one that would be interested. Question, when would it be held? We would have to make a decision about that to see if there is enough interest. Eight people raised their hand. By the next Assembly Meeting I will set a date, maybe right after the next Assembly Meeting. Question, is that an old timer? Yes it is someone who has been in the program a while.

### **DCM Reports**

The District 14 meeting was held on July 13<sup>th</sup> at 222 S. West St. in Lima, Ohio. In attendance; Kristen J. DCM, Don T. Alt. DCM, Jean S. Secretary, Chrissy M. Treasurer, 5 GSR's and 3 guests.

It was voted and passed to add to the budget \$200 for each workshop that is held. It was also voted and passed to add to the structure and procedures that the DCM will be responsible for holding two workshops a year. It was voted and passed to add to the Budget \$125 for the Christmas and New Year's Alcahons. Hope group attendance is down. Grace had their first movie night, which is held the second Saturday of the month. There were 12 in attendance. Singleness of Purpose is having their 13<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on Monday August 17<sup>th</sup> at St Charles Church. Lima's 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary will be held on Saturday July 25<sup>th</sup> at Zion Lutheran Church. Doors open at 2:30 and eat at 3 with speaker at 4.

District meetings are held the second Monday of the month at 222 S. West St. at 5:30 PM.  
Next meeting will be Monday August 10<sup>th</sup>.  
Respectfully Submitted: Kristen J DCM District 14.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Last meeting we talked about getting connected with Monroe Michigan to build a relationship with other Areas. That has not happened yet.

**NEW BUSINESS**

The National AA Archives Workshop is September 24<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> in Independence, Ohio. I am asking the body to send me to the workshop. The total cost for registration, banquet and lodging is \$357. Motion was made by Jackie B. and seconded by Willie R. to send Deborah to Archives Workshop. Motion carries.

Jim L. as a member of A.A. had a question. Should a Non Alcoholic be put on a Shut In list? Discussion followed. This discussion has been brought up many times in the past, about this gentleman and far more learned people have stood up here and remind us that we would not be here if it were not for friends or AA. There a pamphlet about being friendly with our friends and I done think we have anything to fear by including someone who has severed our fellowship well weather they are an admitted alcoholic or not. John C. brought up that we have 7 Non Alcoholic Class A Trustees that serve us and they sever us well and they make decision for the whole body. Jim was asked if he got the conscious of the body. He replied yes and it will be put to rest. But I would like to know if anybody has a copy of the revised list ---. So the body feels he is and alcoholic. OK, so what the question is if there are new comers coming in and we are passing cards around and they are signing and have no idea. I think they have a right to know. The cards do not say AA and only the individual see it unless they share the cared. Conscious of the body was that the person should remain on the list.

**The General Service Assembly Meeting adjourned at 2:15 pm, closing with the Responsibility Statement.** Motion close was made carried.

**Next GSR Assembly Meeting will be held on August 16, 2015 at 1:00 PM at the Senior Center.  
Clean up for August will be East side 12 x 12, Tradition 8 Tim D. and Concept 8 Melanie R.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Henry C. Recording Secretary Area 55, Panel 64, NW Ohio