

GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY
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Meeting Minutes for August 19, 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. James S., Area 55 Chairperson, opened the meeting at 1:00 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer. Ron S. read the Mission Statement. Deborah A. read the 8th Tradition, Billy S. read the 8th 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 Henry C.- Panel 68, Area 55 Delegate. Present were 25 GSRs, 2 Alternate GSRs, 6 DCMs, 3 Alternate DCMs, 1 Past Delegate, and 3 Guests. New GSRs, DCMs and Alternates were: Willie L.-GSR, Inner City, Molly B.-Alt. GSR, SST and Kimberli A.-Alt. DCM, District 8. Past Delegate Ron S. introduced himself.

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Treasurer: Kenney A. / treasurer@area55aa.org

*In July, **9.03%** or 28 of the 310 registered Groups in Area 55 made contributions. Year-to-date, **25.16%** or 78 Groups contributed. **Is your Group Supporting Area 55 General Service?***

Kenney's report for May was as follows:

<u>6/30/2018 Checkbook Balance</u>	<u>\$5,809.81</u>
Income	\$1,567.32
Expenses	\$648.33
Total	\$6,728.80
7/31/18 Checkbook Balance	\$6,728.80
<u>6/30/2018 Prudent Reserve Balance</u>	<u>\$3,002.28</u>
Interest	.05
7/31/18 Prudent Reserve Balance	\$3,002.33
6/30/2018 Mini-Conference	\$800.00
Income	\$0.00
Expenses	\$0.00
7/31/18 Mini-Conference	\$800.00

Deborah A.-DCM District 1 made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Nancy C.-GSR, Oregon St. Charles. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE/LIAISON REPORTS

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

Billy S. gave a report. Next committee meeting will be at 5:00pm at Central Office on 8/30/18.
Respectfully Submitted, Nancy M., Chair.

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

Beth P. gave the report. All commitments are currently fulfilled. 3 committee members were present for the meeting on 7/17/18. There has been interest from people wanting to join the committee and we hope to have them attend our next meeting. The new Wednesday morning meeting is going well. Next committee meeting will be 8/21/2018 5:30pm @ Central Office. Respectfully submitted, Beth P., Multi-District Correctional Co-Chair.

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

The meeting was held 8/15/18. 5 members were in attendance. 3 of the committee staffed the table at the Ohio State Convention. An event they attended on 8/18/18 they found was geared more towards assisting children and the agencies they serve. They will probably decline a future invitation. They have 2 upcoming commitments with both being met at this time. They will be at the Diocesan Pastoral Conference on 9/6/18 and the Recovery is Beautiful at the Market on the Green on 9/8/18. Next meeting will be 9/19/18 5pm @ Central Office. Respectfully Submitted, Bill F., CPC/PI Chair.

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

The committee met on 8/13/18, 730pm @ Tim Horton's on Navarre. Four members were in attendance. They discussed upcoming commitments and their next book order. Language of the Heart is one of their most popular titles and they need more copies before future events. All prior commitments in July and August were met. Next committee meeting will be on 09/10/18 at 7:30pm at Tim Horton's in Oregon.

James presented a financial report for July 2018:

Beginning Balance: \$119.25, Expenses: \$0.00, Income: \$155.50, Ending Balance 7/31/18: \$274.75

A motion to approve was made by Deborah A.-DCM District 1, seconded by Tim D.-DCM District 4. The report was approved unanimously. Respectfully Submitted, James S., Grapevine Chair.

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 August 7th at Central Office. They discussed whom would be handling upcoming commitments at the Lima Picnic Aug. 26, 2018 as well as the Jamie Farr Park picnic on 9/1/18. Next committee meeting will be 9/4/18 6pm at Central Office. Respectfully submitted, Daniel H., Chair

Accessibilities: Patty B. / accessibilities@area55aa.org

Chris C. read the report for the assembly. Six committee members met on 8/13/18. There were three changes to the shut in list, 2 members now attending meetings and one recent passing. \$31 was given to Patty B. as new chair of the committee. The remaining portion of the list is being reviewed and updated at this time. The next meeting will be 9/10/2018, 630pm at Frisch's on Navarre Ave.

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

Jennifer H. gave the report. The committee met on 08/19/2018 at Black Kite Coffee There were 3 in attendance including the area webmaster and delegate. Additional maps and filters have been added as well as events for August, September and October. Jen will be attending the DCM meeting in October to work with our DCMC and DCMs to promote further communication through the structure. Next meeting will be 09/16/2018 at 10am at Black Kite Coffee in Toledo. Respectfully submitted, Jennifer H., Chair

Intergroup Liaison: Tim D.

The meeting was held July 21, 2018. Anniversary tickets will be \$30 and no door sales, they must be purchased in advance. We are working on the 12th Step List for Central Office at this time. The Intergroup picnic was August 18 and NYE Dinner Dance tickets will be \$25 through 12/16/18, \$30 12/16/18-12/20/18. No sales will be made after 12/20/18. Finance will report on pig roast results in August. Hospital committee is stressing remembering when we carry the message the singleness of purpose. The next meeting will be 8/25/2018 6:30pm at Faith Lutheran Church.

NOCYPAA Bid Committee for OYPAA Conference: Lars J.

Lauren B., NOCYPAA secretary provided the report. The slip n slide kickball was a great success, they have raised over \$600 to start toward their bid committee. They are working with our delegate for contacts and Perrysburg French Quarter and are collecting support letters for their presentation in September. Their next meeting will be Aug. 26, 5pm @ Central Office.. Respectfully Submitted, Lauren B., Secretary-NOCYPAA Bid Committee.

MONCYPAA Bid Committee for MCYPAA Conference Liaison: Logan T.

No report.

DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEMBER ("DCM") REPORTS

DCM Chair: John C.

Chris C. read the report for the DCM meeting. The DCMs met at 1130am on 8/19/18. We had reports from all groups. We introduced returning DCM Melanie R. for District 5 and new alternate DCM Kimberli A. for District 8. We also have a possible DCM for District 10. District 4 had to change its' workshop date to October 27. District 7 is looking for a workshop between the 3rd/4th Saturday in February. District 8 will be hosting a workshop on Nov. 10. We also discussed concerns regarding predatory and disruptive behavior and solutions we have employed. Past Delegate Ron S. stressed the importance of not only finding alternate DCMs, however also allowing someone to take over if we were the previous GSR in our place. We closed with the responsibility statement. The next DCM meeting will be held at the Senior Center 9/16/2018 1130am. Respectfully submitted, John C., DCMC

District 1: Deborah A.

Deborah A. reported she and her alternate DCM, Chris L. have 1 new GSR from their district and working toward having a 2nd meeting to select a GSR. They have not scheduled their 1st district meeting at this time. Respectfully Submitted, Deborah A., DCM District 1

District 3: Dave G.

Their district will be hosting a workshop on October 13, 9a-12 at Northwood Church of God. The topics are TBD. The district picnic was a success and their next meeting will be 8/24/18 530pm @ Echo Meadows Church in Oregon. Dave also thanked his alternate DCM for her work to keep the district flowing smooth during his temporary absence due to work. Respectfully Submitted, Dave G., DCM District 3.

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

Tim D., DCM for District 4, gave their report. Meeting was held 8/15/18. The workshop due to a church conflict will be moved to October 27. Kenwood will change their start time 10/2/18 to 730pm, the last meeting of the month will be dessert night and a 12x12 study. Discussion of identification in meetings was discussed and the possibility of a workshop in the future. A presentation of the basket was also discussed for a future workshop. Their next meeting will be 9/12 /18 7pm @ Reformation Lutheran Church. Respectfully submitted, Tim D., District 4 DCM.

District 7: Mike M.

Mike M. gave the report. Their meeting was held on August 16, with 9 people in attendance. The discussion revolved around getting involved in service work throughout the structure. They are also working towards a February workshop with hopefully a date and location decided within the next two months. They are also working towards selecting an Alternate DCM by their October meeting. The next meeting will be held 9/20/18 6pm @ Central Office. Respectfully Submitted, Mike M., District 7 DCM

District 8: Darlene K.

Kimberli A., Alt. DCM, provided the report. 7 were in attendance for their meeting on August 16. The topics of the workshop were finalized being Sponsorship, Home Group and Gratitude. The time and location for the Nov. 10 workshop are TBD @ this time with two locations being considered. Next meeting will be 9/20/18 630pm at Grounds for Thought in Bowling Green, Respectfully submitted, Kimberli A., Alt. DCM District 8.

District 14: Neal M.

Neal M. provided the report. Neal reported on the success of the Lima Christmas in July event. He also let us know of the upcoming picnic on Aug. 26 at Faurot Park. They will be holding a 12 concepts workshop on October 27, 8a-12n at St Charles Church in Lima. They have made donations to Area 55 and GSO. They are working on their structures and procedures at this time. The next district meeting will be held 9/11/18 at 6:30pm at 222 S. West Street, Lima. Respectfully submitted, Neal M., District 14 DCM.

District 16: Damion T.

Damion T., DCM District 16 provided the report. They now have a district secretary and a new GSR. The next meeting will be at Oak Harbor Public Library, 630pm 8/28/18. Respectfully submitted, Damion T., DCM District 16.

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

Henry C. presented his report as Delegate for Panel 68. \$6,511.85 has been donated by Area 55 in 2018 through 6/30/2018. He has a list by district which was provided to the DCMs. Groups can check on that with their DCM. Donations were up to 22% of active groups participating. He addressed the Box 459 calendar listing of the Holy Toledo Conference. This event met the guideline to be listed however they do not endorse the conference in question. He did investigate it and it is a legitimate conference. He has offered his services in helping negotiate a contract for the NOCYPAA bid committee. Henry and Jim will be at the East Central Regional Conference August 25-27, 2018. Henry is speaking on the Friday night panel regarding the three legacies. In regards to the Ohio State Convention, he thanked all those whom assisted in making the convention a great success. We covered the financial responsibility of having representatives from each area in Ohio to speak at the convention. Total registration was 365 people with 60 scholarships. We had 127 participants at the banquet. The reviews of the convention for the panels were at 4-5 on a scale of 1-5. The speakers were also rated in the 4-5 category. The powerpoint

presentation was well received. However, it was said Saturday night's presentation and lead were too long. He wanted to thank NOCYPAA for their montage. The skit script has been in demand for all areas for the humor of the skit. Hospitality was rated as a 5 and the breakfast on Saturday with John Carter cooking eggs to order. The scavenger hunt was "awesome" with a 4-5 rating. It gave participants an opportunity to meet new people and to help open up. Meeting people and forming friendships from other areas was noted in comments a great deal. The participation from each area was incredible. We are working to be inclusive and make it The Ohio State Convention, instead of the thinking it's a particular area's convention. We now need to go out and support next year's convention Aug. 19-21, 2019 in Cincinnati. The new website was debuted at the Ohio State Convention and the ease of use throughout the site was incredible and how meetings could be sorted to find what someone needed. Finally, thank you for making the Ohio State Convention a success. Respectfully submitted, Henry C., Panel 68, Area 55 Delegate. Alternate Chair-Finance Committee.

OLD BUSINESS

Jim S. requested a motion to have \$49.56 sent to GSO. Neal M. made the motion, seconded by Kristine Z.-GSR, Raising the Bottom. Motion carried no opposition.

NEW BUSINESS

Henry C. made mention that we were a financial success with the Ohio State Convention. We will not have a final accounting until September after the state archivist trip to Chicago. Final accounting will be in October. It will be decided by the OSC Planning Committee in November how to distribute the funds. Henry requested the conscience of the assembly regarding making a recommendation to donate \$1,000 to GSO from the excess funds for the OSC convention. After discussion completed, Billy S.-GSR made a motion to recommend this action. It was seconded by Kristine Z.-GSR. The recommendation was approved without opposition.

Jim and Henry both explained that the agreements with our hotel is very favorable with our venue in comparison to other parts of the state. This is why it is important to offer support to other areas hosting the Ohio State Convention.

Tarek K., Newsletter Committee, suggested for those whom are working to find assistance with their committee to submit an article about their committee. Also any upcoming district events can be included in the newsletter.

Motion to adjourn was made by Tim D., DCM District 4, seconded by Kimberli A.-Alt. DCM District 8. Motion carried. **Meeting adjourned at 2:15 PM, closing with the Responsibility Statement.**

Next GSR Assembly Meeting will be held on September 16, 2018 at 1:00 PM at the Senior Center. Clean up for September will be District 2/4. Tradition 9 will be Karen W.-GSR, Perrysburg Staying Sober, Concept 9 will be Dave F.-GSR, Kenwood group.

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