

Approved District 31 Minutes of October 2021

The District meeting was opened by Cheryl M. at 2:00 pm on October 17, 2021 in person and via ZOOM with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

In attendance were: Amy C, Bahiyyah W, Caroline L, Cheryl M, Christina P, Darryl W, David H, Don M, Doug C, Ginny, Jackie R, Karacinda D, Kelle R, Kristi A, Kristi N, Matthew B, Tamara L, and Tara C.

Karon M presented Tradition 10 via email and Darryl W presented Concept 10.

Volunteers for November: Don M will present Tradition 11 and Tamara L will present Concept 11.

NEW GSRs/ 1ST TIME VISITORS/GUESTS

- Jackie R, Alt GSR for Recovery Essentials of Trinity
- Kelle R is now GSR for Recovery Essentials of Trinity

SECRETARY REPORT (Don M)

- Review of September minutes- accepted.
- Please review the newsletter, especially regarding items of your group or committee.
- Review roster and report errors to D31secretary@gmail.com

TREASURER'S REPORT (Eddie M, via email)

- Total receipts for August were \$1100.17 Total expenditures were \$238.41. Positive cash flow equals \$861.86.
- Total available funds for budgeted items is \$2719.13

DCM REPORT (Cheryl M)

- Motion to suspend Area 67 Policies and Procedures at October Assembly failed by a substantial majority. Issues raised during debate prompted an ad hoc committee to review and advise.
- Attended Google Workspace training where position-based emails were discussed. The transition to the new position-based emails is taking place this weekend.
- Attended the workshop on the Google Ad words which are used for web searches to find AA. There was discussion regarding the \$10,000 credit Google gives nonprofits before they start charging for the searches.
- The SETA Convention Chair asked for volunteers and contributions to help with coffee, hospitality, greeters, marathon meetings, registration, and security. Please fill out the volunteer form on the convention website (<https://setaconvention.org/>) or contact one of the committee chairs.
- Intergroup has completed their move. The new address is 5151 Mitchelldale St Suite B10, Houston.
- There is a new Corrections Correspondence System, more to follow.
- The next area assembly will be held in conjunction with the SETA annual convention in January in the Woodlands.
- Copies of the final Conference report are available.

ALT DCM (Karon M via email)

- Next D31 sponsored workshop will be on Service and hosted by the 25th Hour Group on November 6, 2pm to 5pm. Most committees will have a representative. Please continue to announce the workshop at your meetings.
- 1502 volunteered to host the Safety Workshop, date to be determined.
- Attended the SETA assembly.
- Please remember if you are a GSR and would like to attend the assembly and can't afford a hotel room the district has set aside funds to assist.

GSR REPORTS

Recovery Essentials of Trinity (Kelle R)

- Wednesday Night 6:30 meeting is now a Beginners Meeting.
- Hybrid meetings now Tuesday-Thursday, Saturday and Sunday.
- Kelle R new GSR, Jackie R new alt GSR

1502 (Amy C)

- November group having service elections.
- Halloween Party October 30th 9 pm til midnight. Lots of activities planned.
- Group wants to host Safety Workshop
- Group looking to structure more meetings, now mostly open discussion.
- Group now donating to AA entities.
- Conroe-Willis Group anniversary October 23, Speakers start at 11:00, lunch at noon. Bring sides, meat provided. 109 Kennedy St. Willis Texas.

Serenity Group of the Woodlands (Kristi N)

- Printed new meeting schedule, synced with Intergroup to be correct on app.
- Group working on 40th anniversary, working out details.

Early Bird Group (Tamara L)

- Communicated open district positions.

494 Lunch Bunch (Karacinda D, via text)

- Meetings 7days a week, Zoom only on Sunday.
- Still passing the red can.

Good News Group (Tara C)

- Meetings noon every day on GoTo Meeting App. Access Code-779-497-909 audio pin 917, Dial In +1 (872) 240-3212, Link-<https://www.gotomeet.me/TedC-GNG>
- Sent registration for Noon meeting every day but has not listed on Intergroup.
- Main meeting still hybrid.

Atascocita Group (Donna F via email)

- Hosted Intergroup phones October 8-11.
- Group 47th Anniversary December 11th, more to be revealed.
- Speaker meeting second Saturday of the month, Mike F last.
- Group voted to present Concept of the month at the beginning of the meeting to inform members about the concepts.
- Work has started on the outside of the building.
- Still trying to fill open positions.

Spring Group (Christine P)

- Italian Night October 23rd, starts at 6pm and features an Italian potluck, cake auction and gift basket auction.
- Women's meeting on 23rd moved to 3:30-5:00 pm.
- October 9th Karaoke Night very successful, planning more.

Serenity Group of Goodrich (Caroline L)

- 2nd Friday Speaker Meeting
- Shepherd is reopening November 7th 6:30 pm at the Shepherd Methodist Church.
- Good attendance, 10-20 average. 114 Holiday Dr Goodrich Texas.

Zoom meetings Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 6:30. Zoom link is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87624784303?pwd=bDRvT09YQTFiUkxYRUVwMSs3WnNrQT09>

Into Action Group (Matthew B)

- Meeting growing, 10-20 online.
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COMMITTEE REPORTS

ARCHIVES, Open position

CFC (Bahiyah W)

- Celebrating oldest corrections meeting anniversary.
- SETA members participating in Fort Worth conference.
- National Conference November 12-14 in New Orleans.

CPC (Kristi N)

- No CPC meeting this month due to assembly.

GRAPEVINE (Darryl W)

- New Grapevine podcast every Monday. www.aagrapevine.org/podcast
- Grapevine committee needs volunteers to man booth and SETA convention in January.
- 3 Grapevine subscriptions will be given out at District 31 workshop in November.

IT Open Position

LITERATURE (Christine P)

- What can I do to promote conference approved literature?
- Had a table at assembly.
- Next meeting Tuesday 19, via Zoom.

PI (Kristi A SETA PI Chair)

- I will be attending November Service workshop to represent PI.

TFC (Don M)

- Committee working on incorporating previous Bridge the Gap into Bridge the Gap Worldwide (btgww.org)
 - Bridge the Gap volunteers can be obtained wherever needed from btgww.org website
 - Currently SETA not represented in worldwide database.
 - More information as it becomes available.
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OLD BUSINESS

Open positions Archives, Information Technology, Public Information and Treatment Facilities, no one stood this month.

Intergroup Liaison – The District voted to accept the position responsibilities as submitted by the Ad-Hoc committee.

D31 Meeting Schedules - 375 updated schedules have been printed which include a note warning that some meetings might be affected by Covid 19 and directing the reader to the AA meeting app and/or Intergroup website for the most current meeting information. The current plan is to update and reprint in December or January.

Group Visitation Committee Update - Now that more groups are meeting in-person we plan to start visiting the silent groups next month. We hope to be able to get contact information so we can arrange to attend a group conscience and introduce the District and benefits of participating in the AA Service structure. Currently there are 4 members on the committee. District 31 committee members who would like to participate are asked to send their contact information to Cheryl or Karon.

NEW BUSINESS

D31 GSR Training -1 D31 provides a GSR orientation handout to each new GSR. To help provide more context, we will be adding a brief review/discussion of a section of the handout during our District meetings starting next month.

CLOSING

The meeting closed at 3:59 pm with the responsibility pledge.