

DISTRICT 51 MEETING MINUTES

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2015

Meeting started at 11am. Steven opened the meeting with the serenity prayer.

Attendees: Steven (Alt DCM, GSR-Open Door), Loretta (GSR-Caring & Sharing), Coach, Tom K, Lee (Treasurer), Connie (Sec), Randy (Bellaire 12 & 12), Vicki.

1. Secretary's Report: We reviewed the September minutes. Changes were made. Minutes were approved as amended.
2. Treasurer's Report: Lee needs to be listed as signer on district bank account. District Committee hereby reaffirms that Lee is our committee Treasurer and requires his administration of our bank account. Address needs to be updated. District's average annual balance is around \$3000. At the end of September, balance was \$2960, although \$600 has been deposited since then. \$1034 was expended for DCM's travel: \$859 for St. Louis Forum and \$175 for Area Assembly.
3. Discussion of local expenses for Assemblies and out of town events. We should only fund Saturday night hotel stays at local Assemblies. Attendees of District funded events should give a report or presentation. Ask DCM for report on Forum. Develop budgets for future AA events. Tom motions to work on a budget to support our trusted servants. Steven 2nd. Passed.

Randy motioned to rescind 2 night stay @ Assemblies local in Houston and limit to one night. Lee 2nd. Motion approved.

It was motioned to approve 2 night stay @ Annual Area Conventions outside of Houston, only paying group rate, limited to \$350. Loretta 2nd. Tom opposed. Motion approved.

We will discuss budgets for Forums and other events at the next meeting.

4. Randy motioned for \$150 for Service workshop today. Steven 2nd. Motion approved.

5. GSR Reports:

Loretta (Caring & Sharing) — Service Fair was huge success. Lot of great feedback. Birthdays: 10 celebrants, 5 showed at 8pm meeting which was lightly attended; 4 at 3:15pm meeting. C&S has a new Treasurer, Alt Treasurer and CPC rep. A few alt positions need to be filled. Steering Committee moving along very well, showing progress and focusing on carrying the message and being in service.

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Caring & Sharing Addendum – Randy shared that 6:30am birthday meeting was standing room only. Connie said at the 3:15pm birthday meeting the room was full and had 4 celebrants.

Steven (Open Door) — OD had 4 birthday celebrants, 3 w/ 2 years and 1 w/ 6yrs. There is confusion over CFC contributions and are just using the Blue Can. They are changing their group conscience to the 2nd Saturday due to Assemblies. They're seeing a lot of releasees "on paper" attending.

Randy H (representing Bellaire 12 & 12) — Open position for Intergroup Delegate. All other positions are filled. Group had conflict w/ club about members being banned by club. At another club, a similar issue was resolved by creating a meeting policy such as "Banned except 30 mins before/after meeting". Group is growing. Good attendance at speaker meeting, 35 up to 55. The group will probably resume passing of the CFC can at meetings, to be discussed at next Group Conscience.

6. Tradition 10 presentation — Steven.
Concept 10 presentation — Coach.
7. Next month: Concept 11 — Coach. Tradition 11 — Connie.
8. Old Business:

Gratitude Dinner — Nov 8th @ VFW Hall in Katy, hosted by Dist 40. Randy will pick up supplies and bring them to VFW Hall in Katy by 11:55am on Nov 8th.

Policies & Procedures Manual adoption – Loretta suggested that we take 15 minutes during the next meeting to review as a committee. Secretary will bring extra paper copies to review. Steven motioned to take some time to review the Manual at the next meeting. Loretta 2nd. We should change the Preface to acknowledge Dist 82's extensive hard work.

9. New Business:

Do we need to change our November meeting considering Thanksgiving? The majority have no conflict. Tom motioned that we keep our usual meeting date and time of November 28th at 11am. Steven 2nd. Passed.

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10. Announcements:

Intergroup Workshop on November 7th.

Study on Service Manual on 4th Tuesday 7-8:30pm at Unitarian
Universalist Church, 5222 Fannin.

11. Passed the basket.

12. Motion to adjourn. 2nd. All in favor. Closed w/ Responsibility Statement.
Meeting ended at 12:35pm.