

DISTRICT 16 BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday October 20, 2021

Online Remote Meeting

ROLL CALL

Alene R, Amy B, Ash S, Becky D, Beth, Beverly C, Bob A, Clare R, Cynthia W, Debbie B, Jane M, Jeff M, Jennifer A, Jo B, John D, Katie S, Kelly G, Kelly W, Ken J, Kristin A, Lea W, Marlene (ASL Interpreter), Mathew P, Mike B, Nick N, Penny H, Phil B, Sabra B, Sophia P, Steven P

7:00pm - Open meeting with the Serenity Prayer - Terry C

- *Welcome to our ASL interpreters and a special thank you to PDAC for providing the funding for this service!*
- *If I may ... I'd like to make a personal request to offer this moment of silence to the woman responsible for me finding district level service. My bestie, my sponsor of 16 years, Donna Kitchen. She passed unexpectedly on Monday and I would like to dedicate this moment of silence to her and the many women and men she inspired in her 45 years of sobriety. She was a genuine driving force and fierce in her recovery. The gift of her presence will be missed.*

Reading of the Tradition of the month / Tradition Ten - Cynthia W

No A.A. group or member should ever, in such a way as to implicate A.A., express any opinion on outside controversial issues – particularly those of politics, alcohol reform, or sectarian religion. The Alcoholics Anonymous groups oppose no one. Concerning such matters they can express no views whatever.

Reading of the Concept of the month / Concept X - Kristin A

Every service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority, with the scope of such authority well defined.

New GSR

- *Beth - Alt GSR /Just for Today*
- *Kelly - GSR /ASL Rule 62 online only*
- *Ash - Alt GSR /ASL Rule 62 online only*
- *Sabra - Alt GSR /Women of Worth*
- [Fill out the Group Information Form \(and get your GSR Welcome Packet\)](#)

Visitors

- *Penny H., Area 58 Chair*
- *Sophia - Alt Chair Portland Deaf Access Committee*
- *Marlene Interpreter - PDAC Member*

Elections Summary - DCM Terry C

[ELECTIONS](#) Are TONIGHT!! So what does that mean? Well, here is what it will look like:

Our very own Area 58 Chair - Penny H., is here to conduct our District's Officer elections just like they are done at Area Elections at the last Assembly. Thank you so much Penny for helping us navigate through this process! She does such an amazing job as Chair and is one of my heroes at Area Level!

So since this is Election night our Agenda will be slightly amended ... What we will do is approve last month's minutes and hear the Treasurer Report then we can move into the Election portion of the evening. THEN After Elections - Kristin our Treasurer will present a Motion for the 2022 Proposed Budget and we will open it up to the floor for discussion. After that - If there is time we will go through the GSR Reports.

7:10pm - 7:30pm - OFFICER REPORTS

Secretary Report - Nick N.

- [Last Month's Minutes](#)
- *Previous months minutes [here](#)*

Motion to Approve Secretary's Report - Bob A

Second - Katie S

Treasury Report - Kristin A.

- [Treasurer Report](#)
- 7th Tradition Contributions
- Previous months reports [here](#)
- Ending Balance \$2,544.87
- Income \$60.00
- Expenses **\$189.66**
- Prudent Reserve **\$1,250.00**
- Available Balance \$2,134.00

Motion to Approve Treasurer's Report - Jo B

Second - Amy B

7:40pm - Elections Summary - Penny H., Area 58 Chair

Terms of Service and the Elections process

Term of office for District Officer elections is two years and begins with the start of new business on the agenda for the November District meeting.

Making yourself Available

Making yourself available means that you will attend district meetings, provide reports for your position at the meetings, and follow through with the job descriptions and other duties outlined in the District Guidelines and Service Manual.

It is the practice in General Service that anyone can make themselves available for a District position. However, those currently holding an elected or appointed position are encouraged to finish their term before making themselves available for a new position. If someone steps into any Officer position midterm - at the next election cycle and according to our Guidelines and Procedures will be required to stand, provide a Service Resume and be elected by the Third Legacy voting process which means they must receive 2/3rd vote to be elected to the additional term of another 2 years. If only one person

makes themselves available for a position, we still go through the voting process and they will need 2/3 majority to be elected.

It is okay to leave a position vacant instead of filling it with someone who does not win 2/3 votes.

What is a Service Resume

Never written a service resume before? Don't worry, it's not hard. A service resume is simply a list of the service positions you have held, when and where. You can include outside experience if it has some bearing on the position you are interested in. For example, if you want to stand for District Treasurer and you have some accounting experience, that would be pertinent. You don't need a lot of detail; for most people, their service resume will fit on just one page.

*Who can vote in **District** Elections? GSR, Officers (with the exception of DCM), Service Committee Chairs and members representing Groups in the absence of the GSR*

DISTRICT OFFICERS POSITIONS TO BE FILLED:

- *DCM*
- *LDCM A*
- *LDCM B*
- *LDCM C*
- *ALT TREASURER*
- *SECRETARY*

Ok ... Let me introduce your polling technician Steve P. and he will explain a bit about how the polling will work and will provide you all with a Mock Election. Take it away Steve!

Polling / Tech Liaison - Steve P

- *Explanation of voting process*
- *Sample mock election to practice the polling function*

Elections Summary - Penny H., Area 58 Chair

Thanks Steve!

Now let's talk about how the Third Legacy Procedure works:

NOTE: THE WORDS IN THIS PROCESS HAVE BEEN MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE VIRTUAL ELECTIONS

- *The names of eligible candidates will be posted via screen-share only. All voting members (of the District, Area or Conference body) will vote by poll, one choice to a ballot. The tally for each candidate will be posted via poll results and a verbal total will be shared with the body.*
- *The first candidate to receive two-thirds of the total vote is elected.*
- *Withdrawals start after the second ballot. If any candidate has less than one-fifth of the total vote, his or her name is automatically withdrawn — except that the top two candidates must remain. (In case of ties for second place, the top candidate and all tied runners-up remain as candidates.)*
- *After the third ballot, candidates with less than one-third of the total vote will be withdrawn automatically, except the two top candidates remain. (In case there are ties for second place, the top candidate and all tied runners-up remain as candidates.)*
- ***AFTER THE FOURTH BALLOT**, if no candidate has two-thirds of the total vote, the candidate with the smallest total is automatically withdrawn, except that the top two candidates remain. In case there are ties for second place, the top candidate and all tied second place candidates remain.*
- ***AT THIS POINT, THE CHAIRPERSON ASKS FOR A MOTION**, second, and a simple majority of hands on conducting a fifth and final ballot. If this motion is defeated, balloting is over and the choice is made by lot — “going to the hat” — immediately. If the motion carries, a fifth and final ballot is conducted.*
- *If after the fifth ballot no election occurs, the chairperson announces that the choice will be made by lot (from the hat). At this point, the top two candidates remain. In case there are ties for first place, all tied first place candidates remain. In case there are no ties for first place, the top candidate and any tied second-place candidates remain.*
- *Lots are then drawn by the teller, and the first one “out of the hat” is the delegate (or trustee or other officer).*
- *NOTE: If we go to the hat and because we are unable to meet in person and have someone come to the mic to draw from the hat, the Chairperson will write down both names and show them to the body and draw ONE name out....everything at this point will be completely visible for you, the body to see.*

Elections Summary - DCM Terry C

- [Here is a description of available positions](#)

Roll Call - Secretary Nick N

	<u>DCM</u>	<u>LDCM-A</u>	<u>LDCM-B</u>	<u>LDCM-C</u>	<u>Alt TREASURER</u>	<u>SECRETARY</u>
Alene	N	N	N	N	N	N
Amy B	N	N	N	N	N	N
Ash	N	N	N	N	N	N
Bob A	N	N	N	N	N	N
Becky D	N	N	N	N	N	N
Beth	N	N	N	N	N	N
Beverly C	N	N	N	N	N	N
Cynthia W	N	N	N	N	N	N
Clare	N	N	N	N	N	N
Debbie B	N	N	N	N	N	N
Jo B	N	N	N	N	N	N
Jane M	N	N	N	N	N	N
Jennifer A	N	N	N	N	N	N
Jeff M	N	N	N	N	N	N
John D	N	N	N	N	N	N
Katie S	N	Y	N	N	N	N
Kelly G	N	N	N	N	N	N
Kelly W	N	N	N	N	N	N
Ken J	Y	N	N	N	N	N
Kristin A	N	N	N	N	N	N
Lea W	N	N	N	N	N	N
Mathew P	N	N	Y	N	N	N

Mike B	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Nick N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Phil B	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Sabra	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Sophia P	N	N	N	N	N	N	N

DCM - Description read by Terry C

Service Resume - Ken J

- *Sobriety Date - July 28, 2004*
- *Home Group - Hole in the Wall*
- *I have Sponsor and a Service sponsor*
- *2004 - Greeter*
- *2005 filled the remainder of GSR term*
- *2006-2007 - Became GSR and served for full term*
- *2007 - CPC / PI Chair*
- *2009 - 2017 Left Medford*
- *2018 - Back to Medford*
- *2019 - 2021 GSR for home group*
- *2020 - 2021 Access Chair Committee Member*
- *2020 - 2021 Roster and Guideline Committee Member*
- *2020 - 2021 30 Day AdHoc Committee Member*

Question from the body

- *Matt P - Ken, You seem to have a full plate. Would you be able to fulfill the DCM commitment?*
- *Ken - I am free. Those are all past commitments*

DCM Polling / Tech Liaison - Steve P

- *Polling results - 23 Votes online 1 vote in chat*
- *24 votes total - Unanimous Ken J is our new DCM*

[LDCM-A](#) - Description read by Terry C

Service Resume - Katie S

- *Sobriety Date - March 16, 1988*
- *1988 - 2001 Medford Fellowship*
- *2001-2018 AA Paradise California*
- *2018-2021 Medford Fellowship*
- *Home Group - Talent Phoenix Group*
- *I have Sponsor and I sponsor other women*
- *2001-2018*
 - *Northern California Hospitals and Institutions Committee Member*
 - *4 Years - Recording Secretary*
 - *2 Years - Area Chair*
 - *2 Years - Treatment Facility Coordinator*
 - *Hospitals and Institutions Conference Registrar*
 - *Paradise Intergroup*
 - *2 Years - Chair*
 - *2 Years - Treasurer*
 - *2 Years - Workshop Chair*
 - *2 Years - Newsletter Editor*
 - *2 Years - Hospitals and Institutions Liaison*
 - *2 Years - GSR*
 - *2 Years - Treasurer*
 - *2 Years - Registrar*
- *I always have service commitments at the meetings I attend*
- *I also served on numerous boards and volunteer work*
 - *Friends of the Library*
 - *Homeless Program*
 - *President of Women's International Service Organization*

Question from the body

- *None*

LDCM-A Polling / Tech Liaison - Steve P

- *Polling results - 23 Votes online 1 vote in chat*
- *24 votes total - Unanimous Katie S is our new LDCM-A*

LDCM-B - Description read by Amy B

Service Resume - Matthew P

- *Sobriety Date - February 6 2019*
- *Home Group - Pacific Positive*
- *I have Sponsor and I sponsor other men*
- *GSR for my home group*

Question from the body

- *None*

LDCM-B Polling / Tech Liaison - Steve P

- *Polling results - 23 Votes*
- *23 votes total - Unanimous Matthew P is our new LDCM-B*

LDCM-C - Description read by Terry C

LDCM-C Polling / Tech Liaison - Steve P

- *Not filled at this time*

Alt Treasurer - Description read by Kristin A

Alt TREASURER Polling / Tech Liaison - Steve P

- *Not filled at this time*

Secretary - Description read by Nick N

SECRETARY Polling / Tech Liaison - Steve P

- *Not filled at this time*

8:00pm - Business Discussion >> [Link to view Robert's Rules of Order](#)

Ongoing Old Business: Kristin A - [2022 Proposed Budget](#) - Motion presentation and discussion

- *Brief discussion on the motion but out of time so moved to next months meeting*
- *Also out of time for Officer and GSR reports*

8:25pm - District 16 Announcements/What's happening next month:

- *2022 Proposed Budget*
- *Next Month will be Committee Chair Assignments*
- *New DCM will take over at the end of Old Business!*

8:30pm - Call to Adjourn - *Close meeting with the AA Responsibility Statement*

Motion to Adjourn - *Cynthia W*

Second - *Kelly W*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Go to medfordareaaa.org to find out what cool and fun events are happening for Halloween!

