

District 16 Business Meeting Minutes
March 12, 2025 Wednesday

[Roll call](#)

Reader for Long Form Tradition Nine - Taylor

Reader for Long Form Concept Nine - Ken J.

Any New GSRs or Visitor

Justin GSR Hole In The Wall Group

We are pleased to announce our District 16 Business Meeting provides ASL Interpretation)

Penny H. Our Delegate was in attendance to present her pre-conference briefing relating to the agenda topics for the GSO Conference. District 16 has been asked specifically to look at the CPC issues in the documents presented by Penny. All comments and recommendations need to be to Penny no later than April 14th. Keep in mind Penny will accept comments from the District, Groups or individuals. She leaves for the conference on April 25th and the conference begins on April 27th.

Sonja N. presented her findings following her audit of the District 16 Treasury records. All sums are accounted for and in order.

Bank records, treasurers reports, and documentation are in order.

Each of the last four treasurers has used a different method and process while treasurer. This inconsistency presents a challenge both for incoming treasurers and for other District Officers comprehending the reports. It also presents a challenge for the Alt Treasurer or an appointee to review the treasury or assume treasury duties.

The district guidelines do not provide specifics in either method or timeliness of the performing duties.

As a result of this review, the following opportunities for improvement in the management of the District 16 Treasury are:

1. Establish a consistent process & program for performing duties of the treasurer.

2. Clarify District 16 guidelines to include consistency of process and reporting, expected timelines for performing duties, and procedures to insure completion of processes according to the guidelines.
3. Establish specific District 16 guidelines to address progression of responsibility for performing duties and review when the Treasurer is not able and there is no Alt Treasurer.
4. Continue to resolve issues surrounding the District 16 website to facilitate the ability of groups and GSR's to get information relative to both the budget and the treasury.

Sonja has provided suggested updates and revisions to the District 16 guidelines in a separate document.

Secretary counts eligible voters 20

Secretary Report:

March 12, 2025 Minutes motion to approve made by Taylor and seconded by Kelly K.
Motion Passed 13

Treasurer Report: Jo B. March 2025 Financial : any corrections/additions to the report,
motion to approve Jillian seconded by Clare Motion passed 16

<u>District 16 Treasurers Report</u>					
for: <u>March 12, 2025</u> Meeting					
	<i>General Account</i>	<i>Speaker Meeting</i>	<i>White Can Fund</i>	<i>ASL Fund</i>	<i>Total</i>
Beginning Balance	6,1863.63	977.33	414.82	640.00	8,895.78
Income - Contributions	419.97	0.00	270.27	00.00	\$690.24
Expenses	(167.56)	(240.00)	(320.27)	75.00	802.83
Ending Balance	\$7,116.04	\$737.33	\$364.82	\$565.00	\$8,783.19
Less: Prudent Reserve	(1,250.00)				
Total Cash Available	\$5,866.04	\$737.33	\$364.82	\$565.00	7,533.19

1. DCM -Kathleen S.

Pre-Conference Report

District 16
Kathleen S DCM

District 16 has been very busy since the last Assembly. We generally have at least one event or workshop going on each month. The Committee reports at our monthly meeting indicate that we are moving in the right direction, as far as improving participation and processes for each Committee.

Our Southern Oregon Speaker Meeting Chair and her team have done an outstanding job hosting the recent speaker meetings. The evenings include food, 50/50 raffle and one of them included a Service Fair. The Attendance at the Speaker Meetings has been exceptional, which allows for information sharing and fellowshiping.

The Treasurer is recently working on setting up a PayPal account for District contributions. It ended up that Venmo is a better choice, and the Treasurer is working on setting that up.

An Audit was done by an independent party of our District financial records. A detailed report was submitted by the Auditor, reporting that District 16 Financial Records are balanced, documented and in good order. The Auditor included opportunities for improvement in processes. The results of this report will be included in the Agenda sent out for the March business meeting so that the report will be available for all to view.

Our Telephone Committee has managed to reduce the monthly bill and they are working on creating a "diverter line" for individuals who call for assistance after hours.

Our Events Committee has sponsored several successful events which have encouraged the District 16 Community to gather for fun and for learning. They are currently offering a Traditions and Concepts Workshop once a month. The presenters change each month.

We have a Take Your Sponsor to Dinner event coming up on May 17. This event was very successful last year and we expect the same in May.

The Treatment Committee is actively working on getting literature into the facilities. Most facilities have AA representatives going into their facilities a couple times a month.

Men's Jail reports that they have enough men going into the jail, but the Women's Jail desperately needs volunteers. The Women's Jail coordinator has recently sent out a request to the Body for women interested in going into the Women's Jail.

LDCM's are organizing a Pre Conference Workshop for all to attend. Penny H has offered to attend. We still have several Committees without Chairs, however the Service Fair seems to have peaked some interest.

In Love and Service
Kathleen S
District 16 DCM

2. LDCM-A Jillian

Hello, District 16!

- Over the past month I attended the Snowpocalypse Chili Cook Off put on by OSYPAA (formally SORYPAA). Ps I won the cookoff for the second year in a row 😊



- I went to the SOSM and was blown away by the speaker's story. Thank you for your hard work Laura!
- New GSR's in the Phoenix/Talent/Ashland area, I'm here to help! Please reach out! You can email me at ldcm-a@medfordareaaa.org or call/text me at (541) 890-7797.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Jillian S
LDCM-A District 16

3. LDCM-B Penelope

March 12, 2025 – District Monthly Meeting

LDM – B Report

Apologize for the late submission. I was out of town for the past week. The most important activity I have been working on as LDCM - B has been the Quarterly Assembly Watch Party happening 3/15/25 at St. Vincent De Paul. This will be an exciting opportunity for AA's to learn about the magic of our AA service structure, to take part in pre conference topics discussions and if a GSR, vote on both tabled and new motions. This is a potluck where pork sliders will be provided.

In loving service,

Penelope J LDCM – B

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4. LDCM-C OPEN POSITION

5. LDCM D OPEN POSITION

6. LDCM E Ash

Hi Everybody 5 deaf groups are currently doing well. I am looking forward to this weekend

1. Access - OPEN POSITION

2. Archives - Jennifer A. 2025

Hi Jennifer, Alcoholic Archives are going fine. We are going to try to move the archives. They had a fire at the Alano Club. We don't want to take the chance of that happening again so the next time I come I will probably have some numbers on costs for storage places. Please let me know if you ever need me to bring Archives to your groups if you ever have an event going on I am happy to bring the Archives to your groups. Also we are going to start doing interviews with the oldtimers so be on the lookout for oldtimers. We have been talking about doing this for awhile but we will be starting later in the year. Lastly I do collect Group Histories so if you would like me to send you a group history form please put your information in the chat.

3. Correction Facilities M - Todd Not Present

4. Correction Facilities W - Molly

Women's Corrections February report

I am so excited to report that the volunteer pool has more than doubled. There are now 14 women who are active and several more who are finishing up other commitments or medical procedures and then will become active. Whew! I have developed some simple systems for recruiting and tracking, and will get those in a document on the drive in the next month or so. I would also like to put a list of volunteers in the drive, but need to get permission from each woman before I do so. In the meantime I have a paper folder with all their names and contact information, and scheduling information in my home office. I really want to thank all the women who have stepped forward to do this important work. We never know when our message will make a difference in a woman's life.

5. Treatment Facilities - Randy

District 16 Treatment Report

03/10/2025 Next District 16 Meeting 04/09/2025

- 1) District 16 has made the decision to fund Corrections/Treatment literature by way of the "White Cans" effectively putting the responsibility for literature on the white cans and outside the scope of the District 16 Budget. White Can committee is out delivering cans with a presentation. A truly autonomous collection, where it is left up to the individual to contribute or not. Have requested an ad hoc committee to be formed.
- 2) Fresh Start Withdrawal Management, which is a detox center located in Medford, has panels going on on Friday's, from 3-4. 4 th and 5 th Fridays are open slots with treatment chair covering, when available. A new 20 bed center is under construction.
- 3) ARC, men's and women's treatment centers. Panel's go in on Wednesday at 1pm. Men and women allowed into men's facilities with only women allowed into women's facilities. Peg M coordinator for women's and Dee D for the men's facilities. Treatment Committee is glad to announce the Women's ARC is now allowing 2 women into the facility along with the lead. In addition, ARC women's is now allowing a panel on 2 nd Sunday of the month at 7pm. Kelly K has committed to until May, 2025.
- 4) Multiple facilities have previously been contacted, with ongoing discussion, until interest wanes. Sometimes this is a direct result of speaking to the wrong person and not even knowing it. VA, Kelly Shelter and Transition Center are a few I continue trying. If anybody is familiar with some other facility I should approach, please let me know. For treatment guidelines go to GSO/Treatment Guidelines (MG-14) or Oregon Area 58 AA Treatment Guidelines or GSO Treatment Workbook. Oregon Area 58 Treatment Committee meets on the first Monday of each month, 5:30pm. Meeting ID 8075131787 Passcode 166459. Rand is now the new Area 58 Treatment Chair.

In Gratitude and Service
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District 16 Treatment Chair
Randy S
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6. SOSM

March 2025 SOSM Report
Southern Oregon Speaker Meeting Chair Report
Laura S.

Overview:

Another fun gathering of like minded alcoholics coming together to hear the language of the heart!

Upcoming SOSMs scheduled for: June 14, 2025 at Ascension Church with Mary O from Aliso Viejo, CA in collaboration – we will collaborate with District 16 Events Committee to put on a Founder's Day celebration like no other. Stay tuned!

Report:

We had a pretty full house for our February 22 Speaker Meeting with Brent H. Both he and our 10 minute speaker, Elise S, carried powerful messages. We have ideas on how to implement a system of counting participants, but a guesstimate on this event is 150-170. Attendees arrived early making us realize that we could utilize that fellowship time and are brainstorming ideas for a pre meeting event of some sort to precede all future Speaker Meetings. This will begin in June with a Founder's Day Celebration before our June 14 Meeting and an Ice Cream Social in August before our meeting on the 23 rd . I want to mention that we will have many speakers from California because (1) flights are cheaper and we have a budget to adhere to (remember, we are self supporting) and (2) I happen to know quite a few excellent speakers from this region. I'd like to personally thank the Host Meeting – The Eagle Point Women's Meeting on Zoom and In-Person, our Co-Chair, Camille J and 50/50 Raffle coordinator, Penny J, the Events Committee, Mike B, and all who suited up and showed up to make this a successful event. An unofficial total of raffle ticket sales is \$847 with a 7 th Tradition collection of \$234. The Raffle Ticket Team was on fire! With continued 50/50s like this one, I hope to bring speakers from further away to our Valley.

We had 23 Zoom attendees and are continuing to find a way to allow for them to participate in the 7 th Tradition.

It is an honor and privilege to be a part of this branch of our District 16 and am excited to continue to bring language of the heart to our District.

In gratitude and service,
Laura S.

7. Events - Terry

All I have is the Traditions and Concepts Workshops the next one will be on April 5th at St. Vine's. There will be another one in May and in June. This is where you are going to learn how the traditions and concepts affect the business of AA so show up there are snacks and it's a good time for everyone. I want to thank everyone that came to the February and March workshops.

8. December 2024 SOSM Report

9. Grapevine - Penelope J.

10. Technology - Mike B

We are making progress thanks to Jo and Laura and Terry. We have a Venmo Account that is Laurie- now that we have the Venmo can we get that hooked up so the zoom people can donate to the Speaker Meeting?

Mike- I'm hoping so but I am going to need some help from this hired person to learn the overall workings of the Venmo on the website

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11. Telephone/Hotline - Kelly K.

We had 15 calls last month and 14 calls in January. You just heard how much it cost one call wanting to speak to somebody one call to help them move a lot of the calls there is no information on there just hang ups so anyway. I don't think it's serving us.

12. Liaison Report - No report

13. Liaison Report-YPAA

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YPAA Liaison Oct-April

AYP

Desire chip implemented

OSYPAA

SpringaPalooza- April 5th

Ashland Hills for OSYPAA Nov 7th

60 registrations 12 scholarships

Co Hosting Safety and Inclusion Workshop

Co Hosting Skydiving in Salem

March Events-

22nd Portland Karaoke

22nd Salem Spring Fling Dance

14. Liaison Report-Alanon- Trish Not Present

15. Liaison Report-ASL-OPEN POSITION

GSR Reports

Ashland Young Peoples

Taylor just did some boring stuff about changing the meeting script a little bit. We had about 50 people and the Snowpocalypse and that's about it thank you.

Women of Worth Medford #000336488

District 16, Area 58

March 2025

GSR District Report

Our Tuesday and Thursday meetings are going strong.

We are happy again to announce our web page registration is open for the All 12-Steppers Women's Camp Out 2025. The flier is on the Jackson County Central Office web page and we are very happy and grateful to see it on our District 16 page calendar. Thank you to the webmaster for getting that done.

Our group is excited to be sponsoring this women's camp out again. We already have 28 registered with only one RV space left, but plenty of cabins as well as tent spaces available. We have booked six different speakers from all over, we'll be doing tie dye as well as other fun events. Bring a newcomer and enjoy the great outdoors with new friends and fellowship.

Our group also is putting together a really cool item to contribute to the Central Office Breakfast Auction.

I look forward to the next assembly on zoom and hope to go in person to Roseburg in September.

YILAS,

Laurie Hopkins

laluhop@gmail.com

No Name Group

Hi Clare I have no report.

Talent/Phoenix Group

Beverly for the Talent Phoenix group our group moved from the Talent Community Center to the Talent Elementary School and the move has been very successful and our group has gotten bigger we are very comfortable in our new space, Our business meeting is the first Wednesday of the month and I am going to be out of town so I am going to try to get the business meeting moved up so I can get this information to Penny. Thank you very much.

Friday Phoenix How It Works Group

There Is a Solution

John for there is a Solution on Mondays it's one of the only closed meetings for men and women in the valley. We plan to have a potluck on the last Monday of the month to celebrate 22 years of this meeting's existence.

Stick With the Winners

March 2025 GSR Report

Sticks with the Winners, Ashland

Laura S.

We have a new Alternate GSR who will be in attendance at the March 12 District 16 Meeting. Caitlin F. has over ten years of continuous sobriety and has been an active member of service to of our group for several years, including a term as meeting Secretary. She will be taking over for me when I step down in the fall.

I am happy to report we finally completed our Group Inventory two weeks ago. It was a long but thorough process and we are pleased with the results and new changes including a new and very popular format, processes in place to be more welcoming to the newcomer and visitors, more effectively be champions of the Traditions (an ongoing process), and so much more. We welcome all of the women of Rogue Valley to come check out our meeting on Mondays at 5:30 pm in Ashland.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

Old Business:

New Business:

Kelly K. Telephones I wanted the body to talk to their groups about the small amount of calls that we get and the amount we pay is too much. There is a Freedom Voice.com website. The NA people use it;s 400 minutes a

month and it's \$10.00 a month. It rolls over to a volunteer but you have to go on the website and change that number with each volunteer so I'm not too excited about that. There is one Santa Rosa uses but its \$150.00 a month. The one that Portland uses Physicians answering service but it requires volunteers as well but is \$150.00 a month. The one that I like is the one through Spectrum that we already have but we would transfer the phones when the Central Office closes at 4:00 to a volunteer that costs us nothing. I don't know if the person calling in can get that volunteer's phone number when it's transferred to me so I would have to find out about that and we would have to ask the Central Office if they want to be responsible for transferring the phone to the volunteer or what. This is the one I like because we are only getting 14 or 15 calls a month. So if you want me to go down to the Central Office Meeting and talk to them I'm happy to do that.

Kathleen- Kelly would you like to put together an AD HOC Committee and figure this all out?

Kelly- I feel like GSR's need to bring this back to their groups and see what the groups say about it. Several people volunteered to participate in an AD HOC Committee.

13. Motion to adjourn: Motion made by Michelle and seconded by Mike motion passed by 17

Responsibility statement

Meeting Closed at 7:30