

Oregon Area 58, AA District 29 Business Meeting

MEETING MINUTES

March 31, 2018, Al's Place, Elgin

<http://www.oregonaadistrict29.org>

Introduction for Business Meeting read by DCM

Call to Order: 1 pm, all attendants reciting the Serenity Prayer.

In Attendance Roll Call:

Debbie H	Interim DCM		Molly	AA Member-Baker Co
Jamie S	Interim Secretary		Sheryl	AA Member-Wallowa Co
Willy	PI Chair		Keith	AA Member-Baker Co
Tami	GSR Enterprise Group		Jim P	AA Member-Union Co
Lisa	GSR Grace & Dignity		George	AA Member-Baker Co
Al W	GSR Elgin Group		Jesse	AA Member-Wallowa Co
Ernie	Alt GSR Elgin Group		Mike F	AA Member-Wallowa Co
Jim F	Co-Delegate Area 58			
Ron W	Chair Area 58			

Previous Minutes: *Previous meeting minutes from October 15, 2017 Approved*

DCM Report: None given!

Alt DCM Report: na

Alt 2 DCM Report: na

Secretary Report: na

Treasurers Report: Please see attached report.

Committee Reports:

Public Information Chair: Please see attached report

Wallowa County PI:

Union County PI:

AA Hotline: Please see attached report and monthly cost for Hotline.

Website: Please see attached report

GSR Reports:

Tami, GSR Enterprise Group, attendance good and doing well.

Lisa, GSR Grace & Dignity, doing well, Harvest Dinner went great!

Al W., GSR Elgin, attendance good and all is going well!

Special Guest Jim F and Ron W, Area 58 Topic's

- Regarding Survivor Group Excluding members: Groups are autonomous, however, should not band members except for physical violence or threat and minority speak if non-physical. Love and Tolerance is our code.

Member of group present from Survivor's group expressed concern due to dishonest accusations at a business meeting and hearsay. Safety should be an only reason to vote a member out. Minority should be heard.

Al W. expressed attendance a groups where members were disruptive or still drunk. Saying the AA member was still invited to stay as long as they were not disruptive.

- District 29 considering bidding for Assembly in 2019. Discussion on this subject. Jim F encouraged sponsors to have their sponcees get involved, and this is a great avenue of service.
- Area 58 offers to bring GSR workshop to District 29. DCM to facilitate.
- Jim spoke of service, saying no experience necessary, HP teaches. Ron W. saying “God doesn’t call to qualify, he chases those who qualify. We learn as we go along, we ask the people before us or trust. Long term positions burn people out!

New Business

Debbie starts the meeting informing district of service positions on the table and if any positions are not filled in 2 weeks (asked GSRs to announce at groups) they will be closed. Debbie will be stepping down from all duties, except schedules and newspaper.

Debbie explained bank situation and explains banking situation.

Motion made by Debbie, Web chair, “to elect Allen Willis, District 29 Treasurer” seconded by Tami, GSR Enterprise “unanimously approved”

Motion made Debbie (as committee member) “to elect Keith Hale, District 29 Alternate Treasurer” seconded by Tami, GSR Enterprise “unanimously approved”

Debbie asked any interest in DCM position, Mike F, Enterprise interested. Debbie made motion to vote Mike F as DCM for District 29, seconded by Tami, GSR Enterprise “unanimously approved”

Request interest for Alt DCM, Jim P volunteered and Jesse E. volunteered, Jim P declined offering position to Jesse E. Debbie made motion to vote, Willy, PI Chair, seconded “unanimously approved” Mike F explained position of Alt DCM. Debbie suggested GSO website.

Debbie asked any interest in Hotline Chair, Heidi interested in Hotline chair. Motion made to elect Heidi as Hotline Chair for District 29, Debbie made motion Tami seconded “4/5 vote, majority approved”

Debbie asked position of Webservant, Lisa willing. Debbie made motion to vote, seconded by Tami, GSR Enterprise, “unanimously approved” Debbie told Lisa it could be up to a couple of weeks before website transferred due to banking information needed on website.

Mike suggested Molly for District 29 Secretary, Debbie said she would help her if needed, Molly agreed. Debbie to get notebook, previous minutes and GSR list for updating to Molly asap. Debbie motioned for Molly to be District 29 Secretary, seconded by Tami, “unanimously voted”

Discussion ensued regarding 2 years prudent reserve (see attached) \$611.58 annual costs. District members suggested one year reserve. Jim F area does 3 month threshold or cash in hand. “**Matter has been tabled**”

Debbie mentioned verbal motion presented by Cliff, Surrender Group GSR to “change District 29 Business Meetings from Saturday, back to Sunday”. Cliff not present “**Matter has been tabled for Cliffs attendance**” **Debbie suggested possible guidelines for changing motions since this one seemed to be going back and forth.**

Motion made by Debbie to submit a payment of 20 to La Grande printing and 20 to Baker printing for schedules. Motion made and seconded, “unanimously approved”

Motion made by Debbie to submit one year payment of \$307 to EONI Hotline. Seconded and “unanimously approved” for one year payment to be made to Hotline.

Old Business

- Creating a financial projected budget. **See attached!**

- Discussion for guidelines regarding groups who are not showing up to open the doors for meetings? District is responsible for posting these meetings to the public on the Website and the meeting schedule. Is this AA? *Response from discussion with District 29 groups?: “if meetings are not opened regularly then District can take them off of the District 29 Website and District 29 Schedule”.*
- Corrections Workshop-Roberto Area Oregon Chair-financing, wants to give a workshop in District 29?
- Proposal for District 29 to be considering sending young people in AA District 29 to Oregon State Young Peoples AA, “OSYPAA6” Conference in Portland November 30th 2018 to December 2, 2018 in Portland. Richard is our YPAA, “Young Peoples AA” chair for District 29. I am hoping he can pursue this and get something going. There is also an annual Soberlution Conference happening for YPAA in July, Idaho Falls, ID. I know funding at this point is not an option, but looking towards the future I hope district can make this happen for our young people in AA! And some young people would be willing to attend? ☺ RICHARD YPAA CHAIR!

- **Available Positions:**
- PI Co-Chair Wallowa
- PI Co-Chair Baker City
- Co-Hotline Chair – Description of Service sent out
- Web Co-Servant
- Activities Co-Chair
- CTF-Cooperation with Treatment Facilities
- CPC-Cooperation with Professional Community

Adjourned:3 pm, Motion made to adjourn and closed with the Lord’s Prayer.

Area 58 District 29 Business Meeting
FINAL AGENDA
Saturday, March 31, 2018, Al's Place, Elgin
ALL AA MEMBERS ARE WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND

In fairness to all groups and time limits, ONLY topics on this agenda are open for discussion and voting, after business meeting/GSR reports:

New Business

SPECIAL GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE: Jim F. Oregon Area 58 Co-Delegate and Jim W. Oregon Area 58 Chair will be in attendance at this meeting to address “inclusion” and “exclusion” of Alcoholics Anonymous members from Alcoholics Anonymous groups. A member of our society in District 29 has been “banned” from an Alcoholics Anonymous meeting for non-violent and non-life threatening reasons. Reference: 12x12 Tradition 9, “As Bill Sees It pg 43 & pg. 98”, Preamble-Primary Purpose/Only Requirement. Language of the Heart pg. 88, BB pg. 575 Concepts XII.

- Vote Motions (1) new Treasurer and Alt Treasurer, Motion (2) New Banking move, Motion (3) New POBox to Elgin. MOTIONS ATTACHED IN EMAIL (NOT INCLUDED HEREIN)
- Vote: Verbal MOTION pay 1 year of hotline at cost of \$307.00
- Vote: Verbal MOTION by Cliff-GSR Surrender Group, to change District Business meetings back to Sundays. *(Note: I would suggest we add to the guidelines, timelines for motions before change can occur, otherwise we go back in forth)*
- Suggested 2 year budget for Prudent Reserve! SEE ATTACHED! MOTION?
- Elections:
 - DCM-names for the hat and Alt. DCM, see attached District 29 “Working and Approved” District 29 Guidelines for position descriptions.
 - Treasurer Position: See (3) Motions attached

To date, Open District 29 positions:

- DCM
- Alt DCM
- District 29 Secretary – Interim only for this meeting to take minutes Jamie – thanks for your service.
- PI Co-Chair Wallowa
- PI Co-Chair Baker City
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(For description of service responsibilities please refer to the attached District 29 Guidelines or GSO for general.)

- Vote for check to Debbie H for new schedule printing costs \$20.00 to Copy, Ship, and Mail, Baker City and \$20.00 for the Copy Club, La Grande. Please refer to “Schedules Report” by Debbie H.

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DCM Intro 3/31/18 District 29 Business Meeting

Welcome to all Alcoholics Anonymous Members and thank you for your service! My name is Debbie, the “INTERIM” DCM for District 29. As acting DCM I am the facilitator for this District 29 business meeting and here to serve all members and communicate between District 29 and Area 58 Alcoholics Anonymous. Please be sure your cell phones are silenced.

Just to inform new attendees briefly, as to how the District Business meetings operate:

- **All AA members have an opinion and can discuss or ask questions regarding the topics in discussion.**
- **Only Committee Members, including Alt DCM, Hotline Members, GSRs or Alt GSRs if standing in for their group GSR can vote. The DCM (me) I cannot vote unless it is to break a tie, however, I can have an opinion.**
- **If a motion is made, it has to be seconded by another committee member or GSR or it dies.**
- **If a motion is under discussion a GSR or committee member can say “I call the question” in order to stop discussion and vote; however, if the “call to the question” is not seconded by another committee member or GSR, then discussion continues.**
- **Voting is decided by a rising of your hand and counted as majority rules.**
- **If a decision cannot be made on a motion then it will be tabled until the next business meeting.**

We will only take topics that are on the agenda. All other topics that may arise will be placed in new business for the next agenda. As we discuss each topic on the agenda please stay on topic and try to keep your discussion brief so as to allow time to cover all topics on the agenda. As a courtesy to all please raise your hand if you would like to comment on the topic under discussion and I will pick you accordingly.

Please remember “love and tolerance” is our code, BB pg 84, we are here to serve Alcoholics Anonymous and the alcoholic who still suffers, as well as the representation of “Elderly Statesmen’s” in our service to AA. Service is only a tool to give back what has been so freely given. For all involved, a good sense of humor, patience, courtesy, willingness to listen and to wait your turn, as well as, a sense of fairness and trust in a “Power greater than ourselves” have been found far more effective than legalistic argument or personal accusations.

I will now call to Order the District 29 business meeting with the Serenity Prayer.

Oregon Area 58, AA District 29 Business Meeting

Meeting Format

Saturday, March 31, 2018, Al's Place, Elgin

Website: oregonaadistrict29.org

Introduction for Business Meeting read by DCM (SEE PREVIOUS PAGE)

Call to Order: 1 pm, all attendants reciting the Serenity Prayer.

Roll Call District 29: ALL AA MEMBERS, GSRS, & COMMITTEE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Previous Minutes: *Previous meeting minutes approval for October 15, 2017, Baker City*

No minutes given, however, I was present and to the best of my recollection. Debbie H responsible for Schedules, Newspapers, Willy all other PI information, all approved MacMcE. Made motion to change meetings to Saturday. Motion passed. Motion to send DCM to November Assembly 400. Motion passed. Treasurer: Kim said receipts available from previous DCM trip to assembly upon request for July? Produced report attached. Noted by Kim on statement...this report given at this meeting. REFER TO SECOND EMAIL ATTACHMENTS "SUBJECT" TREASURER.

Interim DCM Report: *None given.*

Treasurers Report: *See attachments IN EMAIL (NOT ATTACHED HEREIN) as given through email by Kim C. and entered in Excel by "Previous Treasurer" Keith for continuous accounting of District 29. Attached are a few statements from District 29 online, before a code was put in by someone and we were locked out. Any discussion? Keith and Al will be present for questions and answer to the best of their ability.*

Committee Reports:

Activities Report: Cliff

Correction Report: None Available

Public Information Chair Willy: See Attached Report

PI Assistant-Schedules & Newspaper-See Attached Report

AA Hotline Debbie: See Attached Report

AA Website Debbie: See Attached Report

GSR Reports: *Verbals to be given at meeting, your group and what is happening is most important part of this meeting.*

New Business See AGENDA

Old Business See AGENDA

Adjourned: *Motion made to adjourn and closed with the Lord's Prayer.*

NEXT BUSINESS MEETING LOCATION, DATE, AND TIME TO BE DECIDED

District 29
Public information Report
March 31, 2018

Hello District, 29;

As Public Information coordinator I have spent some time going to various places of business and leaving information about A.A. Hotline and meeting schedules on public bulletin boards and in places where someone seeking information about A.A. may find it. I have asked for and received help doing this from people who go to places I never go and have seen the Hotline tear off sheets in a lot of places I have not been. Many thanks to all of you who help get the info out to the public. I have heard from several people in different meetings that they found the meeting because of the schedules or hotline # they saw in motels etc. I have left "Tear-off sheets" at different meetings for people to have and put up because everyone knows somewhere they can leave these and one may save someone's life.

Having a P.I. person in each county is a great help, and I thank you Debby (Baker County) and Dave (Wallowa County) for all you do. It is my goal to get to all the meetings I can and get to know either the G.S.R. or contact person and be able to communicate via email so all groups can be kept supplied with flyers and any other information they need.

I look forward to working with all in District 29 in the future and welcome ideas you may have.

Yours in Service Willy Y.[yng_wm@yahoo.com](mailto:wm@yahoo.com) 503-964-1363

District 29 Business Meeting **Saturday, March 31, 2018**

Alcoholics Anonymous

Hotline Report

For: June, July, August, September, October, November, December 2017 and January 2018

Submitted by: Debbie H. Interim Hotline Chair District 29

2018	Calls	County	Calls	County	Calls	County
January	2	Baker	5	Union	1	Wallowa
2017						
December	6	Baker	4	Union	0	Wallowa
November	2	Baker	2	Union	0	Wallowa
October	2	Baker	7	Union	2	Wallowa
September	2	Baker	2	Union	3	Wallowa
August	8	Baker	9	Union	1	Wallowa
July	2	Baker	9	Union	5	Wallowa
June	3	Baker	4	Union	1	Wallowa
Total 8 Months	27		42		13	

Invoice/Payments	Invoice Date	Balance Forward	Amount Due	Late Fee	Total Due	Paid
Invoice Date	7/15/17	0.00	23.04		23.08	0
Invoice Date	8/15/17	23.08		.35	46.25	0
Payment	9/5/2017					(225.00)
Paid					46.25	(178.75)
Invoice Date	9/15				23.21	(155.54)
Invoice Date	10/15				23.57	(131.97)
Invoice Date	11/15				22.63	(109.34)
Invoice Date	12/15				22.54	(86.80)
Invoice Date	1/15/2018				23.18	(63.62)
Invoice Date	2/15/2018				22.65	(40.97)
Invoice Date	3/15/2018				23.10	(17.87)
.7 months left paid with credit. Next payment due June						

AA District 29 Business Meeting
Oregonaadistrict29.org
Website-Schedules-Newspaper Ads
Saturday, March 31, 2018, Al's Place, Elgin
Submitted by: Debbie H

Website Report:

- Total visits for District 29 Website in 2017 are 11,127, averaging 927 visits per month, with 10 emails in 2017 requesting more information. Average in 2018 first three months is 1070 per month.
- March 2018, we had 1871 visitors, with 6 emails requesting meeting information.
- February 2018, we had 1,565 visits to our website, with 0 (zero) emails.
- January 2018, we had 1300 visitors to our website, and 2 (two) emails for information.
- Three (3) emails last year were from businesses requesting more meeting schedules, done.
- The meetings and events are up-to-date on our website.
- The only change to the website has been to add a separate page to the website for "Events Area 58" and "Oregon-Idaho Events" page. I sent out an email of website update and changes, all responses great! I will bring this up to see if any discussion on this at the District 29 Business Meeting.
- As you all know, the website at this time is still under construction. It is very time consuming and little-by-little I am getting items back on our site.

Note: There has been an additional cost of 143.88 for the website. Yes, I was told all was paid for two years with the amount of 189.28 that was paid June 12, 2017. When I noticed there was balance due on our website, it was for the "Business Website Builder Renewal" it is paid only annually they told me when I called upon noticing this. I called and argued, that is was told to me by their salesperson that all was paid for 2 years as I told you. I had them go back and listen to the recording, they said the salesperson had told me right, I asked to listen to it, they told me...they cannot do that☹ So this amount of 143.88 has been paid for another year by an AA member anonymous donor. So NOW we are all paid for another year no cost to District 29.

Al W., Elgin, has also been added to the website account. He now has access to all areas of our website. Hopefully sometime in the next few months I will find time to go work with him on the site.

Meeting schedules:

- Updated meeting schedules will go out after this business meeting if approved, the men's meeting in Baker City has been closed and schedules need to be updated to reflect this change. I have updated the Herald and Observer, Chieftain still needs updated Dave? Lisa?. The balances at the printing shops are: (0) zero balance for Baker Copy, Ship, and Mail in Baker City, \$3.18 **credit** for The Copy Club in La Grande, \$16.00 **credit** at Central Copy in Enterprise, 100 for the \$16.
- Requesting \$40.00 check from District to put \$20.00 on La Grande printing account and \$20.00 on Baker printing account.
- I have updated the newspaper for Baker County and Union County to remove the men's meeting as of 3/8/2018.

NOTE: Please be sure to send meeting schedule changes my email debbie97477@yahoo.com and Willy yng_wm@yahoo.com for events/flyers distribution.

**TWO YEAR BUDGET
 PRUDENT RESERVE DISTRICT 29
 Presented by Debbie H.
 Saturday, March 31, 2018, Al's Place, Elgin**

\$ 333.16	Every two years GoDaddy Website District 29						
\$ 166.58	Annual Cost for GoDaddy Website District 29	333.16/2					
\$ 300.00	Annual Cost (estimated @ 25.00 per month) for Hotline District 29						
\$ 120.00	Estimated 2 prints a year for new schedules 20 for 3 print shops						
	Wallowa County, Union County, and Baker County						
\$ 25.00	Reimburse PI and/or DCM for paper/ink print of reports for business meeting, flyers, and hotline pull tabs. <u>Estimated</u> at \$5 to \$6 ream of paper and 15 to 20 ink cost.						
Total Annual Costs:	\$ 611.58	ESTIMATED					

This does not include any YPAA or Assemblies, Workshop Donations, or Activities Cost

\$611.58X2=\$1,223.16 2 YEAR PRUDENT RESERVE