DISTRICT 64 MEETING MINUTES

DATE: DECEMBER 4,2025

Meeting opens @ 7 PM w/ Serenity Prayer: Meeting opened at 7:01PM

Roll Call: Troi H.(DCM MNBB), Kim K.(Treasurer WG&D), Sheri W.(Secretary WOC), Jeff O(OAL Akron Men's, Scott R.(GSR LOLT), Melissa H.(GSR MNBB), Paul M.(GSR Attitude Adjustment), Peter G.(GSR Akron Men's) ,Denise Y.(GSR Women of Change), Laurel R.(GSR Sisters in Sobriety), Jim B.(GSR Chiques Mt.Joy), Soup C.(GSR Walk & Talk), Andy T.(GSR Denver Group), Ralph V. (GSR One Day at a Time), Karen W.(GSR Women of Grace & Dignity), Lois G.(GSR E-Town Sober Sane & Serene), Chris K.(AGSR Women in Recovery), Alan M.(Recovery 101), David K.(GSR Easy Does It), Wendy F.(GSR East Petersburg Saturday Night).

(20 TOTAL VOTES)

Group Reports: *MNBB- Attendance is up & down. Their anniversary meeting was well attended. Group needs an IGR. Women of Change is always looking for more support. Changed the weekly format: Wk 1 Tradition Meeting, Wks 2&4 Big Book, Wk 3 step study, 5th speaker. Walk & Talk: Attendance is down and service positions are lacking. Easy Does It: Meets daily, multiple times. Sunday and noon meetings are doing well. Good Speakers are scheduled January on Saturday nights. Women in Recovery: Needs an IGR. Sisters in Sobriety: Is growing! Holiday party and speaker Dec 18th. (5:30 fellowship, 6:30 speaker). East Pete Sat night: Small homegroup but recovery houses attend. Chiques Mt. Joy: Dec 15th cookie meeting. Lititz New Freedom Beginners: Needs an IGR. Recovery 101: Struggling with service positions but lots of newcomers are attending.*

Secretary Report: Sheri W.

- See the December Agenda for a short report on my EPGSA experience, and attending an anniversary meeting with others outside of the local Districts.
- See link to the Area 59 Inventory Report: https://area59aa.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/11/EN-2025-A59-Inventory-Notes.pdf
- See links to the GSO What's New Page: https://www.aa.org/news-and-announcements
- See link to the Area 59 WE Newsletter: https://area59aa.org/area-59-business-additional-resources/#We

Review of November Minutes: Minutes were sent prior to the meeting. Highlights were read. No additions or corrections.

Motion to Accept: Denise Y. Second By: Melissa H.
Accepted Unanimously

Treasurer Report: **Kim K**

- Kim added a new section to the report: Event Forecast Spending For Year. this is highlighted in yellow to draw your eye to the addition. The pink highlights show that we have achieved 100% or more of the budgeted dollars for that line. (Refer to your paper Treasurer Report)
- Easy Does It- is "showing as District 63. David said they are re-registering the group to change to District 64.
- **Treasurer Report Balance:**

Nov. Total Balance	4,126.04
Prudent Reserve.	-450.00
Available Balance.	3,626.04

Motion to Accept: Lois G. **Second By: Karen W**
Accepted Unanimously

OAL Report: (Officer-at-Large)**: Jeff O.**

- No Report

ADCM Report: **Susan H is at NERF. Jeff O. (OAL) read the report:**

Went to Lancaster Intergroup and reported back: LINK TO LANCASTER INTERGROUP: https://lancasteraa.org.

- **See the report attachment sent with this Minutes email.**

DCM Report: **Troi H.**

1. **EPGSA:** This year was an "Informal Year"-Non Voting. 16 GSR's attended. Thank You! Troi passed around the EPGSA Minutes/Report to the group, as well as a copy of the General Service Conference Report. He let us know it is available in a digital format to read, or print ourselves. Troi participated in a skit with the PI/CPC Committee Workshop.
2. **Area 59 Officer-at-Large:** This Officer stepped down from this position at the end of November. The position was filled in accordance with the Area 59 Structure manual, in which the person who was in 2nd place at the Officers Election in 2024, was offered, and accepted the OAL position. Katie is the Area 59 Officer-at-Large. ***Troi received an email on 12/3 from Delegate Dan on this situation. He read it aloud to the group. Troi will email it to us.***

3. **Area 59 1st Quarterly Meeting is being held on Dec 14th in Willow Street, PA. All are encouraged to attend!**
4. **NERAASA:** See NEW BUSINESS for the NERAASA Budget Discussion
5. **Message from the General Service Office 11/26/25: Call for Contributions:** Troi brought up this communication that was sent to those who chose to receive email updates from GSO when you registered as GSR's (You are encouraged to do so if you haven't). This call for more contributions is due to a significant shortfall of 7th Tradition Contributions compared to last year, and the budget for this year. (See the What's New Link above in the secretary report). Troi read this report. ***Questions/Discussion:*** *It was explained that GSO has 2 sources of income: Contributions and Literature. Literature costs increase each year, and GSO is planning a sales increase in 2026. A GSR asked for bullet points about that- Troi will forward the email about this increase to us. Groups and Intergroups will be affected, of course. Think about how much books in general are at bookstores and the profit made by those stores/publishers. A GSR asked with Literature sales being down, how else can we help/contribute? Answers: Buy from AA- not Amazon!/ aa.org spells out well how groups and individuals can make monetary contributions./"Birthday Contributions" envelopes- Get them for your homegroup (from Intergroup?) or mention this to your homegroup members to encourage them to consider giving back to AA themselves as a thanks for their sobriety in addition to their contributions to your homegroup. A Trustee of the General Service Board did a presentation at EPGSA about the Financial health of the GSO.*

A GSR asked if Troi heard anything on the costs of construction at the General Service Office. Troi answered that the Board looked into putting construction on hold, but it would cost much more to do so. He used a car comparison: If you don't pay for the maintenance now- you will pay more later because of the damage done. ***An FYI from the secretary: The GSB sent an email communication on this very subject on 12/5/25.***

OLD BUSINESS: **NO UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

NEW BUSINESS:

- **NERAASA Budget: Troi sent an email on 12/4 with his NERAASA budget. A paper copy was available at the meeting.** Troi is registered. The hotel reservation was made for the wrong dates. He found this out when he called to confirm. He did look into flights, but reconsidered because of the cost of a rental vehicle. Because of the change in hotel accommodations, he may have to pay up to $15 per day for parking. The actual expense amount for that may be lower. He will look into shuttle transportation. He budgeted food for $10 per day- but Area 59 allowed $15 per day now, so that amount may end up a little higher. Area 59 has mileage set at $.47 per mile, thus he used that amount. The breakdown is as follows:

4 nights stay in Portland:	688.31
Parking:	60.00
Mileage: @.47 per mi	526.40
Tolls:	110.00

Food:	120.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED COST:	**1,504.71**

DOES EVERYONE ACCEPT THE BUDGET PROPOSED? YES!

- **DCM Quarterly Report:** A Panel member asked if Troi has to submit a report each quarter, what that looks like, and if he will provide the entire Panel with the report? Troi answered: Yes he does, he emails it to Area 59 before each quarterly and it can be found on area59aa.org. He can and will email the report to the Panel moving forward.
- **EPGSA Questions/Discussion:** A GSR promoted the discussion of Feedback from the DCM on the happenings in AA that were not communicated to the Panel. Specifically the discussion at EPSGA about the Founder's Writings Agenda item at the Conference in April.They felt they weren't given the info at the District meeting to take back to their groups to discuss, nor was clear direction to do so given from the DCM to take this to their homegroups for discussion. The DCM is supposed to take their voice to Area 59. Many other GSR's from other districts were able to take their informed group conscience to the microphone at EPGSA and some of our District GSR's felt lost and knew nothing about what was going on, either having not known about it at all, or no follow up and prompting reminders were given by the DCM (and other Officers) on the timeline to discuss at homegroup and bring back to the District for discussion with the rest of the Panel. Ultimately what GSR's are asking for and believe a DCM is required to do, is more follow up when important AA decisions are being discussed. Reminders, and scheduled discussion at our District Meeting should be happening and they are not. And emails/correspondence between Area and the District that come to the DCM should be forwarded promptly to the GSR's. ***Discussion:*** *A GSR mentioned the discussion was becoming a bit of a personal attack.Troi agreed with this statement as others in the room discussed their agreement or disagreement with that statement amongst themselves.The same GSR asked, "isn't this what the Delegate Dan reported back about in August?"(There was much chatter and side discussion in the room, both agreeing and disagreeing with points from both sides with the comments of yes- we should be told all that is happening-vs-a it's a GSR's personal responsibility to be at meetings, attend events, or inform themselves through information on the websites- which has been a separate discussion in itself this year when people were tired of being directed by the DCM to the websites for more information.) A GSR mentioned again this is about follow up and not being able to follow and/or understand fully the discussion that was happening at EPSGA where other Districts seemed informed and we were not, and they feel the DCM is not following up making time for discussion of these topics in our District meeting.*

Troi called the meeting to order: *Troi takes responsibility for the concerns, and noted that he is just now getting forwarded emails from the Area. (Whether it is because he wasn't checking emails or seeking info himself is undetermined) Troi mentioned he is inexperienced with technology as well and that this position is a learning experience for him too. He will commit to doing better, he has a service sponsor who he does talk to, and will follow up with him for direction and guidance on this matter. Troi did suggest that GSR's should be looking at Area 59 and A.A. Websites regularly, for there is a lot of information that can be learned, and can help GSR's feel more informed and involved, especially if*

they are not attending events hosted by Area 59./ At this point the Secretary (I) told the GSR's that they have been given events lists which include GSR Orientation workshops, they've been given links from the minutes and/or agenda that are emailed out prior to the District meetings with information, and in some cases direct links to items such as the Area 59 inventory report, and the "What's New" page of AA.org. "If you expect to be spoonfed information, it will not happen- there is a personal responsibility by the GSR's to do so as well. So much information you are asking for, including the DCM quarterly reports can be found on the Area 59 website, and it's impossible for one person to do it all for you. And you've been encouraged all year to check it out." A GSR mentioned that their understanding of the role is that GSR's should be on the websites regularly. They've found that taking this time to do so has been helpful for them. The same GSR also mentioned the challenges of navigating websites because they are all set up differently, and there's not a clear direction on where to find what I'm looking for. The time it takes and the frustration of searching can be discouraging.They suggested maybe having a learning session, or workshop about the websites and where to find things on them. This could be very helpful in easing the frustrations of website browsing both sites.

- **District Structure Manual:** Is the ADCM supposed to go to NERAASA too? There are parts of the Structure Manual that are conflicting on the issue. Specifically Section III under Duties & Responsibilities of the ADCM. ***Discussion:*** *Under section I- District Finances-Expenses, the Manual states that the DCM and ADCM expenses may be covered contingent on availability of District funds and the District Panel's approval.(See the latest copy of the Structure Manual.) It also states that the ADCM serves as a backup to the DCM./ The GSR asked if this specific issue of sending both should be discussed ahead of time to determine if we are spending the money to send one or both to Area and Regional events?*

There were no more questions on the subject, and it was asked if we table that item until later. The response was no, because there was no motion made on the subject. It was a discussion only.

There was encouragement to research and bring the subject up again and prepare a motion if they feel it to be necessary.

District Meeting Contribution Collection Observed

Traditions and Concepts presentation:

Tradition 12 - Given by Scott R. Concept 12 - Given by Jim B.

Tradition 1 - To be presented by: Troi

Concept 1 - To be presented by: Paul D

Motion to Close by: **Scott R.** **Second by:** **Andy T.** **MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

Close Meeting with the Responsiblity Statement

Meeting Adjourned @: **8:33pm**