

District 36 Business Meeting Minutes – Tuesday, December 3rd 2024

Please note: These minutes are not yet approved by the Committee but can be used to aid GSRs in reporting back to their groups during their Business Meeting. Minutes will be reviewed by Committee at next District Business Meeting (January 7th, 2025)

Meeting called to order at 7pm - Introductions and December Anniversaries observed

New GSRs in attendance: Allison, JP – Welcome to District!! *Your Secretary apologizes, I may have missed some new GSRs. I was on Zoom and learned it is not the easiest to take minutes while on Zoom. I will be in person from now on.*

Committee Chair Reports

- **Accessibility:** OPEN

- **Archives:** OPEN

- **Bridge the Gap/Treatment:** Kewn – Not in attendance but provided the following report: Flyers provided to take to your Home Groups and a list of BTG Opportunities to carry the message in treatment and hospital settings is available as well. The key to the POB has been returned to District (per Guidelines Treasurer should have it but do to location Kewn was holding on to it. It has been returned). We receive five (5) copies of the Grapevine monthly. One copy was previously being brought to Echo Glenn but we no longer have a presence there so the copy has been taken to the Meadowbrook Clinic in North Bend.

- **Corrections:** Natalie – Visited Echo Glenn in October for Volunteer Orientation. Echo Glenn would love for Valley AA's to come to Orientation (lasts about an hour). Natalie will work on a flyer for the District with this information. If anyone is interested in volunteering, you can reach Natalie @ corrections@snovalleyaa.org.

- **Cooperation w/the Professional Community/Public Information (CPC/PI):** OPEN

- **Eastside Intergroup Representative:** Kent – Attended the 11/07 Board Meeting, they discussed their upcoming budget, incomes and costs for this upcoming year. They have some service positions left to fill. As ESIG Rep, you are a part of the ESIG Board and are invited to attend the Board Meeting which is being held on the first Thursday of the month at 6pm. The General Meeting starts at 8pm, both are located at Kelsey Creek Church. More information available at www.EastsideAA.org. Kent has been in this position for three, two-year rotations and will be stepping down. This Committee Chair position is now OPEN. (Thank you for your service, Kent!!)

- **Events:** OPEN (Jerry in 2025)

- **Grapevine and Literature Rep:** OPEN

- **Gratitude Dinner:** Brian – Not in attendance. Heather is working on a Wrap Up document and Gratitude Dinner suggested Guide that will be presented next month, once approved. The 2025 Committee Chair is OPEN.

- **Third Legacy:** OPEN

- **Web & Digital:** OPEN.

- **Young People in AA:** Heather – Not in attendance, no report. (Sam in 2025)

Elected Officer Reports:

- **Registrar:** Tami – Since the November 2024 Business Meeting, Tami has updated the Area and GSO's records and/or registered GSRs for 17 groups and 8 Trusted Servants (incoming and continuing). Here's the status of the meetings in District 36/Snoqualmie Valley: Active SnoValley AA Meetings on Schedule: 33 – Active but Not on the Schedule: 0 – Active Meetings with GSR or Contact Info: 28 – Active Meetings without GSR or Contact: 5
Active Meetings without GSR or Contact Info: **Foreword to 164** – Wednesday 6:00 PM – Hope Hall 8305 Meadowbrook Way SE Snoqualmie | **Sno Valley Women in Recovery** – Monday 6:00 PM – St Clare Episcopal Church 8650 Railroad Ave Snoqualmie | **Swing Shift** – Tuesday 10:30 AM – Hope Hall 8305 Meadowbrook Way SE Snoqualmie | **Women's Sunlight of the Spirit** – Saturday 9:00 AM – Hope Hall 8305 Meadowbrook Way SE Snoqualmie | **Snoqualmie Happy Hour** – Tuesday 6:30 PM – Hope Hall 8305 Meadowbrook Way SE Snoqualmie || **No longer meeting: The Preston Group: One Hour Literature Study**

- **Treasurer:** Patrick – If we decide to vote in an Alt. Treasurer, Patrick is willing to stay as Alt. Treasurer Report attachment missing from email, we will wait to make a motion to accept until next month once all can review the report. Patrick does recall that the Prudent Reserve is \$3k over and we had made \$600 after costs from Gratitude Dinner 2024. Our last distribution to GSO, ESIG and Area was in 2019.

Patrick made the motion to send \$1k to each as a distribution (\$3k total) – motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

- **Secretary:** **OPEN** (Heather in 2025 and standing in presently)

- **Alt DCM:** Mike L – Attended and assisted on Gratitude Dinner Committee. He is looking forward to being of service and supporting the District's GSRs and Committee Chairs in his upcoming rotation. He sent the following report:

My last report as your Alternate District Committee Member! I have had an unbelievable two years as alt DCM and it's been my honor and privilege to serve District 36 and Alcoholics Anonymous. I have been blessed to have the support and friendship of so many people in Snoqualmie Valley AA that service has never been a burden or presented problems that I could not find an alcoholic who had immediate help for me. Working with Paul as DCM has been extremely helpful to my service. He has afforded me the opportunity and support to fulfill my role without worrying about am I doing this right? Will I make the right choice here? Paul is always available as a friend, mentor, and service leader for anything that I wanted to accomplish as alt DCM. Thank you Paul.

As we move into the next year, I want your service to be as fun, uplifting, and sobriety supporting as mine has been. To me, this means building our district support network by monthly business meetings, getting your fellow alcoholics to participate in general service, and finding the tools and partners you need to be successful in your position. I have built my sobriety around the people and meetings that gave me the 12 steps and taught me the values of the 12 traditions. I try to integrate this in my daily life. General service enhances that sobriety and allows me to give back what was so freely given to me. As a continuation of my sobriety, general service must be about the people and how we conduct the business of AA to support and reach alcoholics. My friend Gail H. has reminded me multiple times that what we do in general service is not nearly as important as how we do it. Are we inclusive of everybody? Do we allow room for our higher power when we make decisions? Are we making decisions that help the suffering alcoholic? My number one goal as we start the new year is to help each of you as we start our new positions. Please call me, text me, email me, or catch me at a meeting if you have any questions or need help.

Mike L.

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- **DCM:** Paul – Open service roles are outlined in Agenda. There is no need to wait until the District Business Meeting to nominate or make yourself available for one of these positions. Use the District Contacts page of our website to reach when you or someone you know has an interest. The final Area 72 DCM Roundtable of the year is focused on creating the best possible handoff to our incoming District Committee Member. I'm looking forward to hearing good ideas from other districts on how they make that happen. Have a wonderful end of the year! Heather has volunteered to create a flyer to share throughout the District of the open service positions.

Paused for 7th Tradition at 7:45pm

Open Committee Chairs:

- Patrick volunteered to be the **Alt. Treasure** and **ESIG Rep** – motion made, seconded, passed.

- Tammy volunteered to be the **Web & Digital** Chair – motion made, seconded, passed.

- Natalie volunteered to be the **2025 Gratitude Dinner** Chair – motion made, seconded, passed.

- Heather C. was nominated to be the **2025 G. Dinner** Alt. Chair – motion made, after some discussion was seconded and passed.

- Allison volunteered to be our **Archives** Chair – motion made, seconded and passed.

-Our elected **Alt. DCM** for 2025 rotation has stepped down, this position is **OPEN**.

- Remaining open Committee Chair positions: **Accessibility, BTG/Treatment, CPC/PI, Grapevine/Literature Rep, and Third Legacy.**

Old Business:

- Hope Hall rental for Gratitude Tree – paid and check cleared (\$25)

New Business:

- Budget Meeting for upcoming year will be held on **12/10/24 @ 7pm on Zoom** - please use District Meeting Zoom info to attend. Bring your Committee's projected 2025 budget to discuss.

- Lisa brought up that our www.SnoValleyAA.org website does not have a "Home Page" route when visiting the page or searching for the site.

- Alcathon will be held at **Hope Hall – NOT the Carnation Fire Station** due to operations issues. Please spread the word. Flyers are updated on the website and will be passed around through the Valley. **7 Secretary slots left** – can sign up on the sheet or on the website.

Closed at 8:22pm with the Responsibility Statement

Next Meeting: 01/07/2025