

DISTRICT 54 MONTHLY MEETING
JULY 11TH, 2004
HELD AT THE LIFESAVER'S GROUP

- ❖ Donna opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer, and turned the meeting over to Dave C., alternate DCM.
- ❖ Scott S., District TF Chair, read "Why Do We Need a Conference?" from the AA Service Manual, p. S-19.
- ❖ Those present introduced themselves, stating their home group and service position. Eighteen people signed the rollsheets, representing fifteen groups.
- ❖ Kim T. (Legacy GSR) led a discussion of the 7th Tradition.
- ❖ George N. (Garland Clean Air GSR) led a discussion of the 7th Concept.
- ❖ Trusted Servant Reports
 - Secretary's Report
 - David S. read the minutes. A motion to approve the minutes as read was made, seconded, and passed.
 - Treasurer's Report
 - Sheryl R. was not present, but sent David S. a copy. There was no discussion or approval since she wasn't there to answer questions.
 - Cooperation with the Professional Community / Public Information
 - Report: David C. wasn't present. Kim T. said that she'd spoken to him and he'd told her that due to personal issues he would need to resign. David C. asked the groups to see if there was anyone who to take on CPC/PI responsibilities for the remainder of the panel.
 - Correctional Facilities
 - PJ wasn't present. John R. gave her report in her absence.
 - Service opportunities are available at the NETA Annual Correctional Facilities Workshop. NETA would greatly appreciate the assistance of any groups and/or individuals to provide refreshments or act as greeters, hosts, servers, cooks, or help with clean up.
- Grapevine / La Vina Report
 - Susan B was not present.
- Treatment Facilities
 - They had very light attendance at today's meeting. Scott encouraged GSRs to have their TF rep contact him, or if their group doesn't have one to elect one. He offered to visit their groups to discuss carrying the message to Treatment Facilities.
- Intergroup Liaison (Pat O., Rowlett)
 - She attended the June 10th Dallas Intergroup meeting. Ten District 54 representatives were present.
 - The office manager said they're improving their expenses, especially insurance costs.
 - The price the Intergroup charges for Big Books has gone up \$1.00.
 - There is a much disagreement about DIA holding a 2005 conference. Pat said that the consensus was that DIA should focus on their primary purpose and not have the conference. There was an agenda item to vote on committees for the conference, but there was much discussion about whether to have one or not at all. The Intergroup Reps. voted to have a feasibility study held. There was at least one group that spoke out very strongly against the conference, and at least one Trustee is not in favor of holding it.
- Alternate DCM / Archives. (Dave C., Clean Air North)
 - Dave C. reiterated a request for groups to provide group histories.
 - He has an updated speakers list available. He asked GSRs to check any names listed for their group and make sure that the information is current.
- DCM (Alternate DCM, Dave C.)
 - There were about eight district groups represented at the Summer Assembly.
 - The area inventory will be held on November 14th, tentatively set for the

Meadowbrook group. GSRs are welcome to participate.

- The Southwest Region will be hosting a hospitality suite at the 2005 International Convention. The NETA Convention Committee will be contributing \$200.
- A definitive copy of the NETA Policies & Procedures document was submitted.
- Handouts are available about the upcoming Fall Area Assembly and Convention, and SWRAASA.
- The NETA Treasurer submitted a proposed budget for 2005. It will be voted on at the Fall Assembly.

❖ General Conference Report

- Area Delegate Joe P. presented a report on the 2004 General Service Conference. A handout is available request, summarizing his report.

❖ Old Business

- Don't forget that district elections will be held at the next district meeting on August 1st at the Georgetown Group!
- The Ad Hoc committee developing a document of Guiding Principles is nearing completion of its work. They plan to have one more meeting before having something ready to present to the district. That should occur at the September district meeting. The GSRs can then take it to their groups, and come back to discuss it in October, and then vote in November or December.

❖ New Business

- The discussion of the 8th Tradition will be led by David S.
- The discussion of the 8th Concept will be led by Camille K.
- Lakeside Traditions will host the September meeting.

❖ Group Reports

- Georgetown (Camille K.) They will be holding a Group Inventory. She'd appreciate feedback on how to get that set up.
- ODAAT (James V.) They will be holding a group sharing session soon. They'll be celebrating their 25th Anniversary September 17th – 19th.

- Into Action will be celebrating it's 6th Anniversary on July 17th. Information is available on the Dallas Intergruop website.

Important Dates		
Date/Time	Event	Location
July 24 th 8am – 9pm	NETA Correctional Facilities Workshop	Elks Lodge #71 8550 Lullwater Drive Dallas, TX 75238 \$5 early registration, \$7 at the door.
August 1 st at 2pm	District 54 Meeting	The Georgetown Group
August 8 th at 2pm	Combined Five Meeting	The Clean Air Group
September 10 th – 12 th	NETA Fall Assembly	Sheraton Grand Hotel 4440 W. John Carpenter Irving, TX 75063 (800) 345-5251 \$69.00/night (Exp. 8/27)
October 8 th – 10 th	Southwest Regional AA Service Assembly	Clarion Inn / Hampton Inn 500/502 N. Sam Houston Houston, TX (281) 931-0101 \$49.00/night
January 15 th – 16 th , 2005	NETA Winter Assembly	Best Western 3119 Estes Parkway Longview, TX 75602 \$52.00/night (Exp. 12/15)