

## Northeast Texas Area 65, District 54 Monthly Meeting

April 19, 2015

Held at the Dallas North Group, Dallas Texas

### Draft

**District 54** is a geographical unit made up of AA groups in the northern section of the Dallas Metroplex. District 54 is part of the North East Texas Area (NETA). Our district includes approximately 24 groups and includes most Dallas groups north of Forest Lane and groups located in Carrollton, Garland, Richardson, Rowlett, and Sachse. All AA members are welcome to attend the meeting and provide input; however each group designates one representative (GSR-General Service Representative) to vote on behalf of the group conscience. The meetings are generally the first Sunday of every month at 2:00 PM. The meeting is hosted by a different group each month.

**District 54 Groups are:** Addison - Belmont - Carrollton - **Clean Air North** - Dallas North - Garland Clean Air - Georgetown - Keystone - Legacy - Lifesavers - Living Sober - New Freedom - No Hassle - ODAAT - Plano - Reaching Out - Richardson - Richardson Big Book - Rowlett - Sachse - Serenity

District meetings are sometimes called the GSR meetings. Group reports are given so that other GSR's are aware of how and where other Groups are carrying the AA message, how they are solving group concerns and problems, and a forum for tradition/concept and service sharing sessions. Reports from the District Committee chairs provide two way communications between the AA groups and AA as a whole. District 54 resources are for AA's within District 54 who interested in AA service work.

### **OPENING (2:00 p.m.):**

#### **Welcome:**

Margo C (GSR Dallas North) opened with Serenity Prayer and read "Why Do We Need a Conference?"

#### **Discussion of Traditions and Concepts:**

4th Tradition: Jerry C (GSR Addison)

4th Concept: Margo C (GSR-Dallas North)

5th Tradition will be given by Blair B (Clean Air North) at the May meeting at the Clean Air North Group.

5th Concept will be given by John A (Alt GSR Richardson Group) at the May meeting at the Clean Air North Group.

### **MINUTES (of the Previous Meeting):**

Secretary Rav V Minutes approved. .

#### **Are You Looking For Service Opportunities?**

If you are interested in holding a position with District 54, please contact the following:

Alternate Treasurer, contact Kelly H.

#### **Grapevine-**

**Courtney C is the Grapevine Chair-**Wants to encourage members to use the website. Looking for volunteers for the World Conference in July.

Grapevine and La Vina to be given to groups without a Grapevine rep.

#### **Literature Report**

**Sherry J Literature/Intergroup Rep Mike L is the alternate;** Sherry gave report on various literature updates. It was voted to develop AA literature for AA members with mental health issues. Voted update pamphlet for women.

#### **TSNAC - Treatment Special Needs Accessibilities**

**Blair B is the Chairperson for TSNAC.** Blair will inspect groups for accessibility. Preston Group on April 25<sup>th</sup> at 2pm will host a special needs meeting.

#### **Corrections Report**

**David B is Corrections Chair, Stephanie Z is Alternate Chair.** David talked to Dallas County and Collin county jails. They appreciate our carrying meeting to the facilities. Collin County has a form with a background check and requires a training course.

#### **CPC Report**

**Jeff T is the CPC Chair.** Jeff is finding that professionals are not getting much input from alcoholics. Jeff is trying to set up so that professionals can refer people for direct contact with AA.

## **Secretary Report**

Nothing to report.

## **PI Report**

### **Steve A is the PI Chair,**

Public Information (P.I.) in Alcoholics Anonymous means carrying the message of recovery to the still-suffering alcoholic by informing the general public about the A.A. program. We carry the message by getting in touch with and responding to the media, schools, industry, and other organizations which can report on the nature and purpose of A.A. and what it can do for alcoholics. -reprinted with permission AA Corrections Workbook

## **Treasurer Report**

**Kelly H is the Treasurer**-Ordered Grapevine for every Chair. May need to dip into prudent reserves.

## **ALT DCM Report**

**Suzy is the Alt DCM**-Ad Hoc committee progressing.

## **DCM Report.**

Rod C is the DCM. Summer assembly in Longview Texas. Ad Hoc committee will look at reformatting the agenda. Fall Assembly at the Unity Group in Denton. District Next District Meetings Clean Air North 5-3-2015. ODAAD 6-7-2015. There was a proposal to do away with the position of Letter editor and give the function to the Alt Secretary.

## **GSR Report**

**Jerry C -Addison, Anniversary** is Sunday 5-3-2015. .

**Will A.-Clean Air North Is** officially moved and anniversary is Sunday 5-17-2015.

**Margo C. -Dallas North,** Tuesday Big Book study, Wednesday speaker meeting. Anniversary Sunday 5-17-2015.

**Thomas H-Garland Clean Air**-Taking various meetings to treatment facilities.

**Julie J.-Georgetown.** Taking meetings to Green Oaks, Lew Sterrett, and Carrollton Springs. Anniversary June 28, 2015.

**Valarie J- New Freedom.** 12 and 12 on Monday. Taking women's meeting to treatment facilities.

**Donna M-ODAAT,** Group inventory just completed.

**Carmen A-Plano-** Still struggling financially. Looking at revamping meetings.

**Jon A-Richardson-** Saturday night candlelight meeting at 10pm

**Stephanie-Rowlett,** Having 2 move to a new facility with lower rent

## **Old Business**

Ad hoc committee met today and is going to try to streamline the document.

## **New Business**

Rod C reported that in past district 53 and 54 met together for a delegate report. Will not do a combined meeting due to difficulties having regular monthly meetings.

July District meeting moved to July 12, 2015.

Kelly Treasurer and Jeff CPC are switching roles.

## **Upcoming Meeting Information:**

### **Next District 54 meeting:**

May 3rd-Clean Air North

June 7th-ODAAT (tentative)

Motion to adjourn made, seconded at 4:00 pm