

Northeast Texas Area 65, District 54 Monthly Meeting

Sunday, September 2, 2018

Held at Georgetown, Dallas, TX.

FINAL DRAFT

OPENING (2:00 p.m.):

Welcome:

- Max (GSR, Georgetown) with a moment of silence, Serenity Prayer and read "Why Do We Need a Conference?"

Introductions:

- 20 members representing 9 groups were present.
- Groups present: **Addison, Clean Air North, Conscious Contact, Dallas North, Georgetown, New Freedom, ODAAT, Richardson, Rowlett**

Discussion of Traditions and Concepts:

- Tradition 9: Kelly M. (CPC, ODAAT)
 - Forgot, will give next month
- Concept 9: Max (DCM, Georgetown)
 - Forgot, will give next month

MINUTES of the Previous Meeting:

➤ Secretary (Margo, Dallas North)

- Motion to approve August Minutes with amendments - Approved

COMMITTEE CHAIRS and OFFICER REPORTS:

➤ DCM – Tom D. (ODAAT)

- District Service Fair – huge success
- NETA 65 Fall Assembly/Convention - \$15 to register for Friday night Convention, Assembly is Free
 - Friday, September 21 @ 5 PM to Sunday, September 23, 2018
 - Sheraton McKinney – 1900 Gateway Blvd, McKinney 75070 – (972) 549-4000
 - Elections will be held Saturday afternoon for Panel 69 Area Officers
- GSR University
 - Handout
 - Scheduled for Sunday, October 28, 1-3 pm at ODAAT
 - Please forward answers to Survey Questions to Tom's attention

➤ Alt DCM – Chris B. (Addison)

- Ride share, group's histories, speaker lists available
- Will not be at District meeting in October, attending SWAARSA that weekend
- Making a motion to update guiding principles, see new business

➤ Correctional Facilities – Bones (Richardson)

- Visited Choice Moore in Bonham

➤ CPC– Kelly M. (ODAAT)

- Committee size continues to fluctuate
- Active projects include Grapevines in professional offices, CC Nursing program
- Future projects include Divert Court, Oxford Houses, Citywide table, & MHMR
- CPC Committee meeting moved times from 7pm to 6:30, 3rd Tuesday of each month in ODAAT Alanon room

➤ Grapevine / La Viña – Bill B. (New Freedom)

- Attended Aug 12, District Service Fair & Aug 17,18,19 North Texas Dallas Roundup - Set up Grapevine La Vina booth. Great Speakers and allot of interest at the booth
- Held Monthly Meeting - Attendance:, Bill B, Dan M, Lisa W, Gail R
- Notes: Grapeathon flyer was created and sent out for approval
- Janice has speakers that have published stories but please send backup names to her
- Grape-a-thon
 - Worked out some details on food, Janice, Gail to both bring brisket, Bill to supply drinks
 - Dan/ Lewisville group to provide salads, Janice cake, Individuals / groups are welcome to bring their favorite side dish
 - Looking for groups to provide door prizes, (Books, gift certificates...), (District 61,54 are going to buy some door prizes out of Grapevine budgets)
 - English and bilingual greeters, Translator will be provided, displays setting up are grapevine Archives, Grapevine and LaVina
- Efforts to set up displays at City Wide are still being worked hope to get a date this month.

➤ Literature/Intergroup – OPEN

- Intergroup website has changed, ask group to look at it and give their feedback to Intergroup Rep

➤ PI/Web Servant – OPEN

- No report

➤ Secretary – Margo (Dallas North)

- Not present – no report

➤ Spec. Needs/Accessibilities – Jana (Richardson)

- Not present – no report

➤ Treasurer – Deborah (Georgetown) Not Present

Opening balance	\$11,253.21
Operating Funds	\$9,253.21
Total Contributions	\$747.17
Total Expenses	\$476.91
Total Operating Funds	\$9,523.47
Ending Balance	\$11,523.47

➤ Treatment Facilities – Rob B. (ODAAT)

- Not present – no report

BREAK (2:40 PM – 2:50 PM)

GSR REPORTS & CONCERNS

Addison (Dan, GSR)

- Drama with younger members
- Meeting attendance down over the holiday

Belmont (Cassi, Alt GSR)

- Not present, no report

Carrollton (Pat D., GSR)

- Not present, no report

Clean Air North (Lisa H., GSR)

- Voted against having an open meeting in place of current meeting on Monday night

Conscious Contact (Shirley, GSR)

- Has a new candle light meeting on Wednesdays at 10pm, closed and newcomer meeting

Dallas North (Lezlie R., GSR)

- Sponsorship Workshop on Saturday, September 8th from 2-4 PM
- How to Chair a Meeting Workshop is Sunday, September 30th, 2-4pm

Garland Clean Air – (Kim, GSR)

- Not present, no report

Georgetown (Max, GSR)

- Nothing new to report

Legacy (David D., Alt. GSR)

- Not present – no report

New Freedom (Paul K., GSR)

- They will be moving out of their satellite location soon into a room inside the church building, the date is TBA.

ODAAT (Tahtianna, Alt GSR)

- Meeting to review suggestions for website: creating welcome video, adding event calendar, posting links to PSA's and pamphlets for redirecting to aa.org, etc.
- 39th Anniversary coming up, a flyer was distributed to panel, save the dates – September 28th, 29th and 30th.
- Asked groups if they have a Tax ID and if they are filing yearly taxes. This information is requested to help ODAAT make an informed decision based on what is common among other groups.
- ODAAT would like to team up with other groups who are carrying the message to treatment centers. They have members interested in carrying this message to treatment centers but are having difficulty finding available day/time slots. If your group has difficulty finding member to fulfill your commitment please contact Tahtianna.

Richardson (Phillip, Alt. GSR)

- 48th Anniversary coming up – Saturday, September 15th at 5:30pm

Rowlett (Marie, GSR)

- Low attendance at 7am meeting
- The rest of the meetings are the same

Old/New Business:

- Chris and Tom will bring in a new budget for Panel 69 to next district meeting.

New Business

- Motion: To create an ad-hoc committee of three persons to update the Guiding principles document with updates to be given to District 54 for review at the November meeting and approved or disapproved at the December meeting.
 - Motion was passed

- Ad-hoc committee members: Chris B, Max, & Dan
- District Officer Elections – 13 Voting members
 - DCM: Tom D. elected, 2nd ballot
 - Alternate DCM: Chris B.
 - Treasurer: Paul
 - Secretary: Lezlie R.
- Big Book Request from ODAAT
 - Requested 20 Mini Big Books - Approved

Upcoming Meeting Information

Next meeting: Sunday, October 7th, 2018
Lezlie R. (GSR – Dallas North)

November 4th – Richardson Group

Tradition 10: Tahtianna F. (Alt GSR, ODAAT)
Concept 10: Maria (GSR, Rowlett)

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm