

Business Meeting Notes, August 30, 2025

Present: Brent, Jamie, Patrick, Kris, April W., Ciaran, Allison, Dee, Cate, Andrea, Vic (left early), Sherri (left early).

Caroline was absent; previous minutes were not read.

1st: ; 2nd: - Unanimously approved.

GSR: (Pete): (absent): Sherri then stepped in and provided some background/context. She states she attended the recent District 25, Area 72 meeting in an alternate capacity and did not see our GSR representative there. Therefore, in the interest of our meeting being represented at the District level, and in the interest of communication, she stepped in as a proxy-GSR and identified herself at the District 25 meeting as the alternate GSR for Any-Lengths.com.

Sherri shared the District 25 Meeting business:

At the most recent District 25 Meeting, the group members determined that the GSR's would vote at the next District 25 Area 72 Business Meeting on whether to fund the alternate DCM attending functions in conjunction with the current DCM. This goes to the issue of paying for the alternate DCM to go to the delegate meeting. There is the assumption at the District 25 level that the group GSR's representing their groups know their group's conscience, and the District 25 feels that this has been discussed in Area 72 groups at length, so they have decided that the GSR's representing each group should be there to vote their groups' conscience.

Background information: The current DCM asked the district GSRs for help. The current Alternate DCM knows more people at the District level and above. The current DCM feels the presence of this Alternate DCM at the same meeting would provide more opportunities for the current DCM to network at AA gatherings.

Brent - suggested that this is two motions: One to motion that Sherri is the alternate GSR and the second motion that we accept that she is voting to accept the motion for us.

Kris - made a motion that Sherri be nominated for the alternate GSR to represent us at the District 25 meetings. Brent seconded the motion. Sherri states that she accepts the groups' nomination for the position as alternate GSR.

Discussion of motion:

Cate - then asked clarifying questions related to this District meeting and confirmed with Sherri that 1) our GSR was not at the meeting where all the GSR's determined that each group GSR could vote their groups' conscience as a proxy; and 2) that Sherri was there acting as a proxy for our alternate GSR because our GSR was not there to be representative of the group and our group conscience. Cate summed up that this meeting was attended by our "group" with two levels of proxy removed. Cate summed up the main question as discussion for the group about what is Pete's plan as our GSR, to represent us to the District 25 moving forward? Sherri wants us to know as a group what is happening at the District 25 level.

Sherri - states that Pete called her the night before and told her that he couldn't find the business meeting notes on the website and Sherri let him know that the notes are sent in the email. Sherri asked him to send the email out about what was discussed at the District 25 meeting and then it didn't get emailed out to the group.

Kris - suggested that there are some behavioral patterns where even treasured members of the group seem to be struggling in performing some of the duties to which they have been elected to perform and/or to represent us. She states this is something we might need to look at as a group to see if our current GSR position is the right candidate for group representation at this time.

Cate - suggested that we first focus on voting on Sherri's issue/motion to be the alternate GSR and then the patterns of behavior as a service issue can be brought as a separate issue to discuss during new business.

Cate then made a motion to nominate Sherri as alternate GSR for our group; Brent seconded.

1st – Cate; 2nd – Brent; Unanimously passed.

Treasurer: (Patrick): Provided the Treasurer's report in verbal form.

Starting balance is \$437.78. \$33.01 in 7th Tradition donations (2). \$16.00 BofA Service Fee.
Ending balance is \$454.79.

1st- 2nd - Unanimously approved.

Service Coordinator - (Cate): Reports that service has been going well. She states that for the next rotation starting in October, she will not be available for a few weeks. She would like to commend us for stepping up for service and doing things "on the fly" but it would be better if we had people actually in the positions. Maybe we could still announce service positions at each of our meetings as hosts. Also, if we see people attending over and over we could maybe ask if they have ever been interested in taking a service position in a new rotation.

Brent states he is the alternate Service Coordinator and stated that while Cate is out the beginning of October, Brent will be stepping to cover for her. April commended Cate for all of her hard work and service to the group.

Motion to accept Cate's Service Coordinator Report was made:

1st – Brent; 2nd – Dee; Unanimously approved

Webmaster (Brent): Brent states the website "fell to pieces". He states the forwarding emails service ended and we were unaware of it. Brent worked with Mike and his contact help them enter all the information into the site; the plug in has now working and forwarding of emails is again occurring. Brent reports he has to hear back from Cate, Kris, and Caroline to ensure they

are all getting the forwarding emails now.

Kris reports she did get an email confirmation just yesterday, so it is working.

April and the rest of the group thanked Brent for all his hard work on the website and getting everything up and running again.

Motion made to accept the Webmaster Report:

1st - Dee; 2nd - Kris, Unanimously approved.

Birthdays and Milestones (Kris): In July, she sent out 3, 5 month; 3 year; August was a 3, 5 month. She is getting some requests through chat on the meetings, so if anyone does get something through chat, please let her know.

April thanked Kris for all of her hard work in this position.

Motion to accept Birthdays/Milestones report:

1st – Cate; 2nd – Brent; Unanimously approved.

Chair Reports:

Sunday (Caroline) absent

Monday (Allison) going very well; It has been a little quiet in conversation and shares. Allison stated that she is lacking a regular tech host signed up on Mondays.

Tuesday (Brent) Reports the meetings are going well. Sometimes he has speakers lined up but sometimes he just finds someone in the parking lot to do it. Seems to be fewer bombers with kids in school.

Wednesday (Kris) Going really well. She has been able to find speakers for each day. She is working on getting her September speakers filled. She states there are 20-30 people that come in at the beginning of the meeting, but down to 15-17 attendees at the end, but still well attended.

Thursday (Ciaran) Going well; they are missing a tech host for the position on Thursdays. Ciaran brought up the idea of perhaps putting hands up when passed to the next person. Cate thinks Ciaran's point about raising hands in the meeting to get to the next person to read, this has worked in other meetings that she has attended. She states maybe this is something that we want to think about as potential new business.

Friday (Dee) group is well attended and going well. Dee states that he has about 25-30 people who attend regularly.

Saturday (Victoria) absent; had to leave early.

Motion to accept the weekly meeting chair reports:

1st - Cate; 2nd – Allison; Unanimously approved.

New Business:

Cate brought up the potential to discuss the raised hands to read on Thursdays.

Kris – Thinks it might be a good idea and may increase participation. It might be easier for newcomers to not feel so intimidated by the potential to read.

Allison – I was thinking that it would be the Chair that would be picking the next person to read the next portion of the reading. So it would potentially make more work for the chair.

Cate – yes, this is how it has gone in other meetings that she attends. She states that people raise their hands and then the Chair just calls on them in order and then

Cate – made a motion that for the next two months, we will operate on the “raised hands to read” suggestion for Thursdays. This means it would be revisited as a topic in October’s Business Meeting.

1st – Allison; 2nd – Cate; Unanimously approved

Brent – As WebMaster and adjusting the script on this, do we have to change wording that everyone has approved or can he just come up with something and if someone doesn’t like it, then we can change it. Group agreed. Allison made a motion for Brent to change wording:

1st – Allison; 2nd – Cate; Unanimously approved

Kris – are we willing to add non-traditional birthday month chips for the meeting? Kris states that some people announce certain months/years, but it is not in the script. It was then discovered that we have to actually change the birthday form so that we can do each and every month for anniversaries.

Cate suggested that we have months 1-12 and then yearly coins available.

Brent made a motion that we include all the months, 1-12, on the birthday/anniversary request form:

1st – Brent; 2nd - Cate; Unanimously approved.

Kris – Not necessarily new business; She states that the Proof of Attendance (POA) is being sent out prior to the end of the meeting, sometimes it happens halfway through the meeting, and then some of the members are leaving.

Cate suggested she will talk with each chat person as the Service Coordinator, to ensure re-training and/or training.

Kris – As a reminder, when people come in to the meeting late, they are not able to see anything that has previously been posited. Brent and others confirmed this and states that we

should just report whatever we are talking about as the Chairperson to ensure that everyone gets on the same page.

Closing Statements - Motion to close the business meeting.

1st - Brent; 2nd - Allison. Unanimously approved.

Mtg. adjourned at 14:49