

District 8 April 2025 Minutes
Sunday, 4/13/2025, 6:30 PM PDT

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District 8: <https://www.aaoregondistrict8.com>

AA Meeting App Guide: <https://www.aa.org/meeting-guide-app>

AA Service Committees: <https://www.aa.org/service-committees>

AA in Correctional Facilities: https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/assets/p-26_AAinCF.pdf

Correspondence with inmates: <https://www.aa.org/corrections-correspondent-sign-form>

Attendees:

Patricia- DCM

Sallie K-Secretary

Maranda H – Treasurer; GSR, Sobriety Today, Coos Bay

Barbara- Hotline Chair

Katie S – CPC/PI Chair

Brenna – Webmaster & GSR, Sisters in Sobriety, Coos Bay

Cassidy- GSR for South Coast Unity Group meetings held at the North Bend Alano

Club Dan- GSR 12 X 12- North Bend

Ray -GSR-First Things First-Florence

Marlyn-GSR—Brown Baggers- Florence

Rob—Grapevine Chair

Doug-GSR-Rule 62 North Bend

1) Introductions/Greeting-Patricia G-DCM

2) Minutes from March 2025 – Sallie K
Accepted as read = approved unanimously

3) Treasurer's Report – Maranda

Total Funds to start: \$7180.68

Listed Expenses of \$45.00 -Gold Coast

Donations of \$107.00 from SIS-Florence

Cash Balance[\$7,120.49

Motion to accept the Treasurers' report-by Katie-2nd Doug- Passed unanimously

4) **Old Business** -Patricia G.

a.-District Picnic was moved to 6/28/25 at Woahink Group Pavilion in Jesse Honeyman Park. There was discussion that it might be moved again to August. The picnic is intended to become an annual event, alternating between Florence and Coos Bay in future years.

b.- There was a discussion about the prudent reserve, a financial reserve set aside to cover expenses. Patricia suggested establishing a 6-month prudent reserve equal to half of the annual budget, which was \$2,500.

There was a discussion about the proper use of the prudent reserve to ensure financial stability and to

adhere to the guidelines.

A motion was made to establish that the prudent reserve be established at \$2,500 & that it should not be spent but rather kept as a reserve.

Motion by Marlynn, 2nd by Katie: -Motion passed Unanimously

c.-Guidelines Change- The District 8 Guidelines have been changed to remove CPC/PI #7 and Webmaster #4 from their respective duties.

d.- The Webmaster is currently posting the monthly District Meeting minutes to the Area 58 Archives.

e.-There are two open positions: Alt.-Treasurer to take over the Treasury in November and Alt.-DCM..- the requirements are listed in the District 8 Guidelines.

f.- Budget Excess Spending Suggestions

1. Purchase Plain Language Big Books for the City Libraries-\$90.00

2. Subscriptions to the Grapevine for 5 libraries -\$180.00

3. PA System Purchase - -Cost ??

4. CPC/PI add funds to this budget line-\$100.00

5. New Big Books and 12 & 12 books for the local meetings

Patricia suggests we vote on 1, 2 & 4 for a total of \$370.00.

Sallie K. makes the motion, Marlynn seconds it-Motion passed unanimously

5. New Business

A. Patricia reports on Area 58 Assembly held in April. -There were 5 new motions, 2 were tabled to bring back to the groups. District 8 will vote on them on May 10 and they will then be voted on at the May 18 Area 58 Assembly.

B. Patricia suggests a guidelines change requiring both the minutes and the Treasurers report to be distributed within 10 days after the end of the month. The Guidelines change would be added to the responsibilities of the Secretary and the Treasurer. Motion was made by Maryln and seconded by Katie that the reports be posted on the web site- Passed unanimously

C. Patricia proposed an annual Treasury audit, which would require a guideline change and the formation of an ad Hoc committee -topic tabled until the May meeting.

6. Committee Reports:

A. CPC/PI -Katie S. reports that she is looking for a co-chair for CPC/PI but before that she'd like the GSR's to announce at their local meetings that she needs committee members to help with the distribution of the information packets to local professionals in all the communities included in District 8. (See CPC/PI complete report as an attachment)

B. Hotline -Barbara -No Calls reported this month.

C.- Web Site- Brenna-Reports that there were 230 views of the website in the past 2 weeks. D.

Treatment- Sallie -Pamphlets were dropped off at the Adapt Treatment center in North Bend. Katie contacted Sallie to report that the Bay Area Hospital was looking to start an AA meeting in the hospital. Sallie met with the Chaplain, the Interim Program Director and the Ward Charge Nurse to discuss the possibilities and was sent the paperwork to begin the vetting process for volunteers at the hospital. Sallie asked that others who were interested in being involved contact her to receive the paperwork which has to be returned to the Chaplain.

E. Corrections - No report- Cindee has resigned/ the position is open

F. Grapevine –Rob-Uptown Group in Florence has suggested to him that the District order certain collections of grapevines (In Book Form) and make them available for the group members to check them out-like a library. Patricia suggests that he discuss with her at a meeting outside the District meeting.

7) GSR Reports

Brenna – GSR, Sisters in Sobriety, North Bend-No new report

Marlynn-Brown Baggers-Florence-Meets 6 days a week at noon in the Beacon of Hope Alano Club-there is good attendance-She attended the Area Assembly and took the motions to the Brown Baggers business meeting for a vote. She has been distributing the CPC/PI Cards she obtained at the Service Workshop in Coos Bay.

Cassidy-South Coast Unity Groups-North Bend- -No new report

Doug-Rule 62- Meets every Thursday from 12 to 1:00 PM& attendance is good.

Ray- First Things First- Florence-No Report

Dan- 12 & 12-North Bend- A step study meeting on Thursdays at 6pm-Attendance usually 5-11 people; they carry a prudent reserve of \$160.00 and contribute \$25.00 per month to the church where the meeting is held.

8. Next Steps:

- Patricia to research and contact Gold Coast answering service to address ongoing issues and complaints. • Katie to order plain language Big Books for the 5 libraries in the district.
- Rob to arrange grapevine subscriptions for the 5 libraries in the district.
- Maranda to send out thank you notes for group contributions along with tax receipts. • Patricia to update district guidelines to include posting monthly treasurer's report with approved minutes on the website.
- Brenna to update the website to include the monthly treasurer's report with approved minutes. • GSRs to take back to their home groups the suggestion of creating a CPC/PI rep service position. • Sally to follow up on paperwork and logistics for starting an AA meeting at Bay Area Hospital's locked ward.
- Patricia and Rob to discuss offline the logistics of creating a repository for AA literature and grapevine materials.
- Patricia to finalize the date and details for the district picnic and communicate to all members.

Motion to end the meeting at 7:36 PM - Unanimous vote.

Next District meeting to be held on May 10, 2025

Submitted In Love & Service,
Sallie K. Secretary