# Secretary Minutes from August 7, 2011 NAGSC Meeting ~ District 20 Hosted Chester CA.

### Confidential AA Document

# **NAGSC Meeting:** 1:00 PM

- Sophie K. lead us in the Serenity Prayer, Carol B. read our preamble, Michelle read Concept 12 (short form)
- Mileage and sign-in sheets were passed.
- Introductions were followed by approval of the June NAGSC Meeting Minutes.

# **Officer Reports:**

Chairperson: Sophie K. Alt. Delegate. NAGSC Chairperson Report

We are in need of two committee chairs: 1) Special Needs/Accessibility and Remote Communities and 2) Treatment Facilities. Please see me if you would like more information about these committees.

Since we last met for the roundtables, I have been in touch with many of the committee chairs to hear what is going on and to offer my support. I am willing to be of help wherever I am asked. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

# Treasurer: Rich B. NAGSC Treasurer's Report

\$13,795.06
\$4,809.63
\$7,012.42
\$50.83
\$11,643.10
\$1,250.41

Notes: Income & Expenses from June to present.

1. 7th Tradition (NAGSC)	\$110.00
2. Contribution	\$901.04
3. Fuel Reimbursement	\$166.20

Discuss for vote additional money for mileage .Discuss for correct the 2012 NAGSC budget

NAGSC Secretary: Phil W: Hi everyone I'm very pleased to be able to serve as your NAGSC recording Secretary. This last month I was able to perform my commitment while on the road on vacation with my girlfriend in the Rockies, thanks to the internet. I am still learning about scrubbing the minutes before sending them to the web master. Next year we will have more discussions on anonymity in the new technologies like the internet but not just the internet there are other things going on. We need to be careful when dealing with anonymity issues. As the chair of the area's communication committee I am very interested in all kinds of communication. In that committee we are working on Interpretation and Translation this seems to be something we could always use help with. I am very thankful to Carol and Sophie, also

Justin in the south, and our Delegate Byron, for helping me out with these issues as we move towards improving the way we communicate. Also, thanks to you all, for having a little trust and faith, and allowing me this opportunity to be of service.

Area 42 Chairperson: Carol B. I would like to thank everyone who participated in presentations of agenda Items in February and then again attending the roundtables at the March assembly. I hope you gained some General Service knowledge through the preconference roundtable presentation format this year. If you feel that you did, the recognition goes to Sophie, as she is the person responsible. If you didn't, keep coming back because next year brings yet another pre-conference experience for the Area 42 Assembly attendees. As September 9 -11, 2011 approaches, I'm getting excited about the weekend activities planned. District 7 from the Southern area is hosting the assembly weekend and also supplying the lunch goodies on Saturday for us all, as there will be a special "Artifacts" Meeting, which Paul and Caroline (Archivist and Alt. Area 42 Archivist) are presenting, at the convention center during the lunchtime break. Be prepared to attend a workshop with your service counterparts from the other end of the area, and enjoy an informative panel; addressing next year's GSC approved presentation/discussion topics. Carrying the AA Message: + Change - Essential to A.A.'s Growth: Don't forget to arm yourselves with your General Service Manual. I also would like to acknowledge the awesome job done by District 12 in hosting us last March. Thank you Debbie's team. We will be looking for a District from the North to host the March 2012 Assembly. I do hope you all discuss the possibility of being the Host District for March 30-April 1, 2012. The commitment includes buying and preparing the food spreads on the tables by (9:00AM) on Saturday and (9:00AM) before the Sunday Morning assembly begins. We are adding to the hosting duties; the hosting district members will prepare the tables for the buffet dinner and DCM shall chair the Meeting, appoint the readers and head up the sobriety countdown, for the Saturday Night Speaker Meeting, and supplying the Big Book for the Speaker Meeting. The entire district expense for supplying these provisions shall be reimbursed through the 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition collected at the assembly. If you have any questions or would like assistance please contact me anytime. Please utilize the Area 42 Service Website to stay aware of the most recent updates, www.nevadaarea42.org

Area 42 Archivist: Paul E. At our last meeting I gave the District 20 binders to Julie C. (DCM) so that she could bring them back to her district and put them in order and take them around to the different groups to maybe spark some interest in writing up some group histories or updating the ones that are already in the binders. At that meeting Laura from District 8 said that she would be willing to do the same for District 8, so I brought those binders today. Any other district that would be willing to take on this project please let me know. I have brought all of the binders for the Northern Area Districts with me today. At the upcoming Area assembly in Tonopah in September on Saturday during lunch there will be an Archives presentation, Caroline and I would like to have a group discussion about the history of the oldest groups in our Area – which group started first? Who was there, what other groups started from that one? How did our program spread across the Area? This will be a group participation forum – not a panel discussion. Please let us know your questions and comments. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

**District Reports: 1:30PM** 

<u>District 2: Tom E.</u> not present, no report.

<u>District 4: Regina P. for Rick S.</u> We are invading our districts meetings that are in our territory and inviting them to be a part of. Also finding out who is dark or no longer having meetings.

We are looking to host an event, conferences, etc

We have 3 new GSR's. One is from the Keep it Simple, women's meetings.

We are slowly gathering participation.

Thank you for everyone's continued service in AA

<u>District 6: Chris S. for Lee H.</u> In June, District 6 had the wonderful experience to host the Founders Day picnic and the NAGSC meeting at the Genoa Park. We had a very good turn out and we got to hear from our Area 42 delegate. In July District 6 hosted a round table discussion at the Carson City Alanno club on A.A. and the Digital Age, The Home Group, and being a G.S.R. Our next District 6 meeting will be August 14 at the Carson City Alano Club. I will also be attending the Additional Regional Forum on the weekend of August 19-21. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

<u>District 8: Tim F.</u> Hello fellow trusted servants: District 8 is doing OK GSR attendance is down from the outlying areas. I haven't had a chance to get to some of these meetings to try and relay the message of the importance of groups involvement in general service at the district level that is something that I will try to get on in the upcoming months before the fall assembly....On the other hand district 8 held a 7<sup>th</sup> tradition workshop were our core of GSRs helped to put on a great event we had about 20 in attendance and had the privilege to host Ruth, Joan and Edie from Las Vegas who gave a great presentation.... Our district had some issues pending on questions that were addressed to the panel that will be discussed our next district meeting. Thanks for allowing me to serve.

<u>District 10A:</u> Dennis W. I am happy to report that our Campout in the Rubies was a success. I want to thank Carol B. and Ed DeP. for their Service Workshop, and also Doreen for attending to represent the Grapevine. Service is often heard of in our district and now it has been seen as well. I don't have any new group news to share but I am happy to say that our CPC and PI committee Chairs Lorie B. and Wayne P. are busy spreading the word of AA in various platforms around Elko. They attended a night out against crime with a booth armed with pamphlets and books. They are planning a booth at the fire safety education day, and also Nevada Health Clinic on August 19<sup>th</sup>. They are also setting up racks for literature at the public library and Juvenile detention center. They have ordered PSA's from GSO to have aired on the local radio stations. Being a largely rural area we cover a lot of ground and it is good to see so much happening in our district to help the Alcoholic who still suffers.

<u>District 12: Debbie S.</u> Since our last report, we have had only one District meeting and will have another Aug. 6th. So...what I know today is...The "Tues. Night Book Study" group in Fallon has been randomly selected to participate in the G.S.O.'s survey during the Aug. 9th meeting. How exciting! The Big Bend Ranch, in Wadsworh, are sending the native youth treatment patients to the Tuesday night AA meeting, alternating the males and females to

keep them segregated...It is reported that the youths are enjoying it. Fernley Kiss Group reported that the "Pink Can" being passed with the 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition basket is doing real well. Fernley's meeting hall was pictured in the August issue of the "Grapevine". Our Alt. DCM and a GSR attended the 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition Workshop in Crowley Lake last month. Fernley Kiss Group has been collecting and donating toiletries, etc. to "Empowerment", a living space for men and women released from prison to stay as they connect to jobs, meetings, etc. Fernley's 11<sup>th</sup> Annual picnic is next weekend, Aug. 14<sup>th</sup> at the IN-Town Park from 11-4. The "Oasis Festival in Fallon" committee is still gearing up for the one day round-up, Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>.

<u>District 14: Ron W.</u> Nothing major to report, all service positions are filled and meetings are well attended. The latest list of registered groups in our district had some new groups we are working on contacting. Our annual jamboree and barbecue is on Sun, Aug. 14th at the Truckee Regional Park and starts at 11:30.

<u>District 16:</u> <u>Bruce A.</u> District 16 Christmas Affair chair is Chapin. The 11th step retreat needs a chair. District 16 needs a Treasurer, Storage may be changing. More GSRs are needed; I am the new Treatment Facilities chair.

<u>District 20:</u> Julie C. We know that many of you had to drive very far to get here and really appreciate your willingness to allow us to host the NAGSC meeting today. Because we are on the outlying edges of the Area most of our GSRs are unable to attend NAGSC meetings, this will be the first meeting for many.

Corrections: Our district H&I Liaison has been trying to coordinate with Bridging the Gap and has been working with the NAGSC Corrections/BTG Chair to learn and resolve some communication issues.

PI/CPC: The district is planning to hold our first sharing day with the support of the NAGSC chairs. At our last district meeting we had a passionate discussion regarding why we need PI and CPC.

Campout: The annual Sierra Cascade campout was this weekend and we have the highest number of registrations since the revival of the campout four years ago. Hopefully, we all had a great time, but the time I read this report.

GSR Training: Lonnie, the GSR Survival Trainer, North had to postpone the training due to a conflict; we have tentatively rescheduled for our next district meeting on Oct 1st.

Archives: The Area 42 Archives Chair trustingly handed over all the area binders to our Alt DCM, who is in the process of updating all the binders as well as making sure both the North and South have duplicates of all documents. Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

District 22: Lionel J. Not present, No report.

**GSR Survival Chair:** Lonnie M. On July 23, 2011 I sat on a traditions panel in Sparks, for the young people. I'm working on two projects: The first one is to rewrite a power point presentation on GSR training. It's a presentation used in area 11 (Missouri). The second is a guideline for groups to help with 12 steps unexpected issues. Thank you

<u>Finance Committee Report:</u> Jeannette B. Short report about meeting, and the Finance Committee recommending to not fund Corrections/BTG Chair to BTG conference. Gave the request to the NAGSC body to discuss in new business.

**CPC Chair:** Tim W. I will be organizing our next quarterly CPC conference call in the next couple weeks. Please let me know if you wish to join us. The International Community Corrections Association indefinitely postponed their conference in Reno which was to occur last month. We will be interested in participating when it is rescheduled. We look forward to participating in District 20's workshop in the fall on PI/CPC issues. Let us know if your district would be interested in a similar workshop. Thank you for the opportunity to be of service.

#### **Corrections Chair:** Lyle C.

District 20 (Kyle H and Emory B):

High Desert has cleared me to go in, I'm going in Aug 10th; we are waiting for more clearances. We have outside members attending all AA meetings for the first time in a long time. We are still trying to start BTG at California Correctional Center (CCC) and the inmates have shown a strong interest. However, we are having some difficulties with communication between us, the other BTG members and the inmates.

The Federal Prison in Herlong continues to have active participation.

The Lassen County H&I coordinator, Emory, is one of the key people trying to use BTG and he has reported issues. We are still waiting to go into the fire camps. Lassen and Plumas county jails are being visited.

District 8: (Scott B) The jails continue to have strong participation, literature is made available. District 6 (Chuck M):

- The Tahoe area is doing great; all volunteer slots are full. Literature is available.
- Nevada State Prison in Carson City has some meetings, but people are still having difficulty getting clearance.

Northern Nevada Intergroup:

The Corrections Committee and Intergroup continue to work together.

The Intergroup Corrections Chair, Steve W, is overseeing the facilities in Reno and Sparks.

I'm continuing to work with Darlene, the Executive Director of Central Office, with BTG until they get the committee up and running.

We are still looking for information from other districts and Spanish speakers. Again we would love for Spanish speaking volunteers to go into facilities. If anyone is interested in either participating on the committee or has information, please contact me. I want to thank all the members of the committee.

Area Webmaster: J.D. Not present, no report sent

#### Area 42 Newsletter Editor: Pat S.

- If you do not receive the newsletter, you can access it by clicking the newsletter link at the Area 42 Website (www.nevadaarea42.org). You'll also find old newsletters archived there.
- If you do not have access to a computer or the Internet, please contact me and I will get you a hard copy.

• Remember, I am always looking for new material for the newsletter, but it MUST be service related. No last names, private phone numbers or personal addresses or email addresses will be published.

Grapevine Chair: Doreen H. I want to thank Laura for reading my last report at the June NAGSC meeting while I was on vacation. This summer is filled with campouts!! I attended the Serenity in the Rubies hosted by District 10A and want to thank them for welcoming me in and treating me so well. I also just attended the campout here at Lake Almanor put on by District 20 and again, I was welcomed in and accommodated with much love. Between the 2 campouts I sold 46.00 worth of magazines and books I also sold 1 subscription. Whoohoo!! I just want to say how blessed I feel to have this commitment. We have another campout in Mammoth Lakes at the end of this month and Laura will be setting up for that. We will also be bringing the Grapevine back to Tonopah and look forward to seeing you all there. October 15th Fallon is having the first Oasis festival and I will be setting up the Grapevine at that event. I want to thank Emery from Susanville for giving me 2 boxes of Grapevines, I will be distributing them in the recover homes and jails where ever they are needed!! Lovingly in service.

Public Information: Carri C The PI Committee goal is to get a Big Book in every public library in Area 42. As of today I can proudly say that District 8 has completed this task with the help of Mammoth Lakes and High Sierra Public Information Committees. With the help and suggestion of the librarian in Independence we now have Big Books in Furnace Creek and Trona. Roberta B. from District 12, has placed Big Books in the following Libraries: Yerington, Silver Springs, Fernley, Fallon and Smith Valley. Roberta reported that none of the above libraries had a big book and was very appreciative of the donations. Lorie B the PI committee chair for District 10A Elko has set up racks for literature at the public library, the Juvenile detention center, and has ordered PSAs from GSO to have aired on the local radio stations. The PI Committee has been invited by District 20 to do a presentation in Oct. I was asked to contact inter-group PI member to give him the information of the work we are doing. PI will be contacting all the DCMs to see what we can do to help in their district. All the books so far have been funded by the individual districts and their committees. One last note of why we do this work. Deb S. from Fallon shared that by them putting their meeting schedules in the local mail box news, a new member in town found a meeting, she shared with the group her gratitude for them putting the information out in to the public for her to see. She may not have gone to a meeting that night.

## Accessibilities/Special Needs: no chair

**Treatment Facilities:** no report Bruce A. volunteered to chair

**Inter-group Liaison Report:** Roger H. Central office is going through some changes, there is a new office manager Darlene from Taxes, There is a new safe installed with only 2 keys, a new front door with new locks, New Carpet installed by volunteer labor carpet bought by landlords. There is a request for pink can \$ to be sent in the form of check or money order, Back Taxes for employees have been paid.

ANNYPAA Liaison: Regina P. / Dan M. Co-Liaison

Dan M. is also the events chair for intergroup. We are exited about co hosting this years Halloween event! The next Panel meeting is Sept 17 at RTC on Tradition 4, 5, 6.

ICYPAA International Conference of Young Peoples is in San Francisco Sept. 2,3,4. We are going and representing in service and support.

Invasion is on going. This month we are going to Incline. We hit Fallon in June. We hit the Salvation Army in July. We also are on-going with Willow Springs once a week at 6:15. West Hills on Tuesdays. We are looking forward to Area 42 conferences in our continued building of annypaa in General Service. Thanks to all who support us in this endeavor.

### **Old Business:**

None

### **New Business:**

The finance committee recommended raising the fuel reimbursement from .20 to .40 per mile. After discussion it was decided that this was a guidelines change and the proposal will be brought back as a 2<sup>nd</sup> reading to change the guidelines about fuel reimbursement. This guide line is 5.3 in your NAGSC guidelines which can be found on our web site <a href="http://www.nevadaarea42.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/03/NAGSC-guidelines-amended-approved-8-1-1031.pdf">http://www.nevadaarea42.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/03/NAGSC-guidelines-amended-approved-8-1-1031.pdf</a>

The 2<sup>nd</sup> part of new business was a discussion of funding the corrections BTG chair to the BTG conference in Sacramento, CA. This September. After discussion the body voted to not take the finance committee's recommendation to not fund. Then a motion was brought to the floor by Lonnie M. as a non president setting, 1 time funding for the 1 event BTG conference in Sept 2011, To fund Lyle C. Corrections / BTG chair with \$400 to go to conference. The motion passed with 2 minority opinion- 1.shouldn't take the a committees recomdation lightly.

2. Should only fund \$250 neither changed any votes

We closed the meeting with Responsibility Statement

The 7th Tradition basket was passed and collected \$141

#### **AA Related Announcements**

- ✓ August 19 21, 2011 Additional Pacific Regional Forum ~ Woodland Hills, CA
- ✓ September 9-11, 2011 Area 42 Assembly ~ Tonopah, NV

Area 42 Website <a href="http://nevadaarea42.org">http://nevadaarea42.org</a>

ANNYPAA Website <a href="http://annypaa.org/Welcome.html">http://annypaa.org/Welcome.html</a>

Reno Central office <a href="http://www.nnig.org">http://www.nnig.org</a>

**NEXT NAGSC MEETING** 

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# We will find out soon

THANK YOU all for your participation and attendance at these meetings

Respectfully Submitted: Phil W