District 34
Meeting Minutes
February 8, 2022
Apex Masonic Lodge
& ZOOM
408 E Williams Street
Apex, NC 27539

## **Members Present**

DCM	Craig H.
Alt. DCM	Brie G.
Registrar	Lili O.
Treasurer	Jasen H.
Secretary	Paul S.
Web Master	James C.

**Group GSRs:** 

Apex	Mark E.	Lakeside	Jeff H.
Arch to Freedom	Lisa M.	Last Call	
Basics for	Donna C.	Let Go, Let God	
Beginners			
Be Still Morning		Living Now	
Meditation			
Cary Twelve Step	James C.	Log Cabin	
Cary Young	Bryan D.	Maynard Road	
People		Group	
Change Agents	Michael R.	Morning	
		Meditation Group	
Design for Living		New Freedom	
		Group	
Early Birds	Lisa L.	One Chapter at a	Liz H
		Time	
Experience,		One Day at a Time	
Strength and Hope			
First One Hundred	Eric N.	One More Chapter	
and Sixty-Four		at a Time	
Fuquay-Varina	David J.	One Noon at a	
		Time	
G2	Jasen H.	Promises of a New	
		Beginning	
Garner Big Book	Paul S.	Sunday Morning	Doug C.
		Spirituality Group	
Gateway	Sue B.	There is a Solution	Jonethen S. GSR,
			Nicolette J. Alt. GSR
Green Level		West Cary Noon	

Greenwood Forest	Karlis M.	Willow Springs	Tony S.
		Step	
Holly Springs		Women's Paths to	
		Serenity	
Keep It Simple		Women's Steps to	Kristi S.
		Serenity	

## Call to Order

7:32 pm – Craig H. opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer.

## **Readings**

Long Form of Tradition 2 – Jonethen S. District Purpose – Michael R.

## Joke & Concept 2

Concept 2 – Michael R. – This concept empowers the GSR to provide service work.

Joke – Michael R. – The man in the hot air balloon.

Next Month: Concept 3 and a Joke – Liz H.

#### **Introductions**

Went around the room and online (Zoom) and introduced ourselves.

Welcome new GSRs and Alt GSRs!

No new GSR's or Alternate GSR's noted.

#### **AA Anniversaries**

Congratulations to:

James C. 17 Years Michael R. 9 Years Paul S. – 5 Years

Birthday Envelopes are available from Intergroup or can be ordered from AA.org.

## **Registrar Report**

- District and Area contact databases are being updated.
- If you're a new GSR, Alternate GSR, and not receiving emails, please send Lili your information (group name, position, mailing address, email address, phone number, etc.) to <a href="mailto:d34registrar@gmail.com">d34registrar@gmail.com</a>
- If you have not received your GSR Packet, please contact Lili at d34registrar@gmail.com and provide your name, mailing address and whether you prefer to receive a physical packet or use the electron/digital version.

The contents of the GSR kit is listed at: https://www.aa.org/assets/en US/en GSR list.pdf

## **Secretary Report**

- January 2022 District 34 Meeting Minutes distributed via email.
- If you're not receiving emails, please let us know ASAP!
- Motion to accept January meeting minutes by Jonethen S., Second by Michael R.
- Motion passed with none opposed.

## **Treasurer Report**

- We went back after our January 2022 meeting and pulled the last 3 years of bank records.
- All money was accounted for. The account balances were correct. The issue was the spreadsheet, which since has been corrected.
- Craig: "We started with some numbers that were incorrect and got rolled on and on."
- Jasen balanced the budget. "We're starting 2022 with a balanced budget and reconciled bank account."
- Bank balance and the new budget is now accurate.
- Motion to accept Budget Committee Report First Motion: Michael R., Second Motion: Doug C.
- Motion passed with none opposed.

## **Webmaster Report**

- Reached out district 71 nobody got back to me. Their website doesn't have email addresses.
- Perhaps we can reach out to a different district to discuss the registration for the domain name.
- Took down older district and area flyers and posted some new ones for pre conferences coming up.
- Thinking about re-organizing the website pages so artifacts such as the budget are more visible.
- Craig has a contact for District 71 and will provide it to James C., Webmaster.
- Craig to GSR's and Alternate GSR's "If you know of events to post, send them to James. If you go onto the district website there is a function to send James a message.

## **Alt DCM Report**

- 1. Brie: GSR School New GSR Orientation: It is recommended to attend the GSR school if you are a new GSR or a new Alt GSR to become more familiar with your role and to ask any questions. Please call Brie G. (919) 561-7153 or Craig H. (747) 229-7302 to set up a convenient time and place!
- 2. February 20, 2022 @ 3 PM will be the next GSR orientation on Zoom.
- 3. Brie: Will send out the Zoom link once we get everything updated with our Registrar.

## **DCM Report**

1. January: We had a good budget discussion looking at budget for 2022. Very productive!

- 2. Two (2) motions coming to the winter committee meetings this March. We're looking for other districts to second these motions.
  - Spanish Interpreter
  - Ability for Area Delegate and Alternate Delegate to attend additional conferences annually.

#### **Old Business**

- 1. 2022 Budget:
  - Past years we have gone to prior years and dropped them into the new budget.
  - The past 2 years have been un-characteristic. What the committee did was to look at the past 4 years, actual money spent over that time.
  - The last true budgetary year was 2019 before everything shut down.
  - We're looking forward to 2022! Hope and prayers we're not going to be impacted by Covid anymore and will be able to host in person scheduled events and meetings, etc.
  - Looked at group contributions for 2018, 2019, 2020 to assist with forming the 2022 budget.
  - Starting 2022 budget surplus of \$1982.
  - We have a surplus policy in the event of a budgetary surplus. The Surplus Policy has been distributed.
  - District meeting basket historically we have passed the basket to cover meeting expenses. Will discuss this tonight – do we want to start passing the basket again?
    - Group did decide to begin passing the basket again.
  - Expenses: some years we've budgeted more (reference current budget).
  - In previous years we've had a workshop at the district level. Small allocation set aside for this year (2022).
  - District picnic, GSR Scholarship Fund, Contribution to GSO, all budgeted for 2022.
    - If your Home Group cannot afford to send you to an area assembly let Craig and / or Jasen know.
  - Assembly meetings will be held this year in June and November. The meeting in November includes elections.
  - \$300 for Unity Day budgeted. Unity Day is held between District 34, 31, 35 (all throughout the Triangle).
  - Rent is \$300 annually for the Masonic Lodge.
  - O District 92 and 93 requested a contribution to host area meetings.
  - Preconference held every year. This year it will be held on April 9 and is open to all.
    - Craig should start receiving agenda items shortly. We'll be discussing them at our meetings.
  - Gratitude Dinner We didn't have one last year due to Covid but we're planning one for this year.
  - o PO BOX went up to \$106 annually.

- No money spent on supplies, copies in 2021 but we added this line item to the budget for 2022.
- We haven't done refreshments at district meetings of late. We can start doing that if we want to. Will need to pass the basket.
- Website budget included for 2022.
- DCM/Alt. DCM expenses for conferences these budget items are based on recent actuals.
- Tony S. in past years we have stayed at the hotel hosting the event to fill up the room blocks. Craig, yes this is still in effect.
- Charlotte, NC hosting the Area Assembly is open for registration per Liz. June 17.
- Should we start serving refreshments and district meetings?
  - Not everybody is showing up for district meetings in person; some of us are on ZOOM.
  - Are we comfortable with meeting in person?
  - If we were to start serving refreshments, we wouldn't be hybrid everybody would need to come to Apex.
    - Decision made to keep our District 34 meeting hybrid for now.
      - We'll continue to revisit the hybrid question throughout the year.
- o Motion to accept the 2022 Budget First: Brie G., Second: Dave J.
  - Motion passed no opposition.
- 2. We're going to need an ad hoc picnic committee appointed. We don't need to decide tonight. We will discuss this next month.
- 3. We'll need a workshop committee that will help plan our district workshop, logistics, etc. We will discuss this next month.
- 4. April 9 is the pre-conference being held in District 93. Not a full day event, partial; lunch will be provided. It is important our groups are represented.

#### **New Business**

- 1. Ad Hoc Picnic Committee
- 2. Pre-Conference Planning

## **History Fact**

We did not share a history fact for February.

March History Fact to be presented by: Karlis S.

#### **Home Group Announcements**

- Liz H. - Anniversary breakfast on 3/12 at 8:00 AM for the One Chapter at a Time Group. Flyer is forthcoming. The event will be held in Apex on Williams Street.

## **End of the Meeting**

Closed the meeting with the AA Responsibility Pledge. Adjourned at 8:45 PM

Next meeting: March 8, 2022 @ Apex Masonic Lodge and via Zoom

6:30p – New Service Manual Study (also via Zoom)

7:30p – District meeting

# <u>Addendum – Helpful Mailing Addresses. Websites and Area 51</u> Events

## **Emails**

DCM d34dcm@gmail.com
Alt-DCM d34dcma@gmail.com
Treasurer d34treasurer@gmail.com
Secretary d34secretary@gmail.com
Registrar d34registrar@gmail.com
Webmaster d34webmaster@gmail.com

## Websites

http://www.raleighaa.com/district.php

http://www.d34a51.com http://aanorthcarolina.org

User: 34

Password: notglumlot

## **Mailing Addresses/email**

#### **Area 51 Treasurer**

NCGSC - Treasurer PO Box 7337 Kill Devil Hills, NC 27948 treasurer@aanorthcarolina.org

## Area 51 Registrar

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#### **Area 51 Archivist**

Archivist
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## Area 51 Chair

chair@aanorthcarolina.org

## GSO

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#### **D34 Contributions**

PO Box 271 Cary NC 27512

# **Schedule of upcoming Area 51 events**

2022	
2022 Winter Committee Meeting	March 5-6, 2022
	Hilton Durham 3800 Hillsborough
	Road, Durham, NC 27705
Area 51: 33rd Freedom from	March 11-13, 2022.
Bondage	Hampton Inn & Suites
	200 Columbus Drive
	Aberdeen, NC 28315 (Just off US 15
	501 Hwy).
<b>Central Region Pre-Conference</b>	March 26 @ 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Spring 2022	Westminster Presbyterian Church
	3906 W. Friendly Avenue, Greensboro,
	NC. 27410
Western Region Pre-Conference	April 2 @ 11:30 am - 3:30 pm
Spring 2022	Oakley United Methodist
	607 Fairview Road, Asheville, NC
	28803
<b>Eastern Region Pre-Conference</b>	April 9 @ 11:00 am - 3:00 pm
Spring 2022	Macedonia Church
	7640 US Highway 17
	Williamston, NC 27892
Area 51 Spring Committee &	June 17 – 19, 2022
Assembly Meeting	The Hilton Charlotte University Place
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Charlotte, NC 28262