

**District 34
Meeting Minutes
April 12, 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., GSR	Lakeside	Jeff H., GSR
Arch to Freedom	Lisa M., GSR	Last Call	
Basics for Beginners	Donna C., GSR	Let Go, Let God	
Be Still Morning Meditation		Living Now	
Cary Twelve Step	James C., GSR	Log Cabin	
Cary Young People	Bryan D., GSR Andrew B., Alt. GSR	Maynard Road Group	
Change Agents	Michael R., GSR	Morning Meditation Group	Shauna V., GSR
Design for Living		New Freedom Group	
Early Birds	Debra L., Alt. GSR	One Chapter at a Time	Liz H., GSR
Experience, Strength and Hope		One Day at a Time	
First One Hundred and Sixty-Four		One More Chapter at a Time	
Fuquay-Varina	David J., GSR	One Noon at a Time	
G2	Jasen H., GSR	Promises of a New Beginning	
Garner Big Book	Paul S., GSR	Sunday Morning Spirituality Group	Doug C., GSR
Gateway	Sue B., GSR	There is a Solution	Jonethen S., GSR
Green Level		West Cary Noon	

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

Call to Order

7:31 pm – Craig H. opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer.

Readings

Long Form of Tradition 4 – Michael R.
District Purpose – Bryan D.

Joke & Concept 4

Concept 4 – Donna C. – We're all equal!
Joke – Donna C. – Drunk guy goes ice fishing 😊

Next Month: Concept 5 and a Joke – Shauna V.

Introductions

Went around the room and online (Zoom) and introduced ourselves.
Welcome new GSRs and Alt GSRs!

Bryan D., GSR, Cary Young People
Marian H., GSR, Women's Paths to Serenity
Debra L., Alt. GSR, Early Birds
Andrew B., Alt GSR, Cary Young People

A.A. Anniversaries

Congratulations to:
Michael R. 9 Years
Craig H. 26 Years

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

Registrar Report

- Continuing to update group list.
- GSR Packets are new and improved and include the new A.A. Service Manuals.
- 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 d34registrar@gmail.com

- 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 Packet are posted at:
 - o https://www.aa.org/assets/en_US/en_GSR_list.pdf

Secretary Report

- If you're not receiving emails, please let us know ASAP!
- March 2022 District 34 Meeting Minutes distributed via email.
- Motion to accept March meeting minutes by Karlis M., Second by Craig H.
- Motion passed with none opposed.

Treasurer Report

- April 2022 Treasurers report to be reviewed and approved.
- All Committee meeting expenses are marked in this month's report.
- Rent checks made out to the Apex Masonic Lodge have yet to be cashed.
- Motion to accept Treasurer report – First Motion: Michael R., Second Motion: Brie G.
- Motion passed with none opposed.

Webmaster Report

- Changes to the website email address to be completed.
- Any flyers, meetings, announcements, etc., please send them to the Webmaster email address (please see email address below).

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!
 - o Thank you for attending the last GSR school! We had 1 person attend last months (March) meeting.
 - o April 24, 2022 @ 10:00 AM will be the next GSR orientation on Zoom.
 - o Currently working with two other Districts on planning Unity Day.
2. In 2023, District 34, will be responsible for “hosting” Unity Day, e.g., picking speakers, etc.
 - o We're working with Jody to plan this year's Unit Day. We're going to have great fellowship and food!

DCM Report

1. Craig has been attending a number of business meeting throughout the month. Thank you GSR's!!!! Great job with how you're handling your business meetings by effectively communicating District, Area and General Services Conference agenda items and business!

2. 2022 Eastern Regional Pre-Conference
 - a. Upcoming virtual pre-conference events April 14 and 16.
 - b. We, District 34, had a good showing in Williamston, NC during our NC East Region Pre-Conference.
3. NC East Region Pre-Conference went very smoothly We were all together and were able to provide good feedback on conference agenda items. Good insights were provided with much thought-provoking dialog.
4. We have virtual conferences with the NC Delegate coming up April 14th and April 16th.
5. You can also email the NC Delegate at: Delegate@aanorthcarolina.org
6. 2022 Spring Assembly in Charlotte, NC.
 - a. June 17-19, 2022
 - b. <https://aanorthcarolina.org/event/spring-committee-and-assembly-2022/>
 - c. Reserve rooms ASAP – Hotel is expected to fill up quickly.
 - d. The fall assembly is by far the more important of the two annual assembly meetings as new Area Officers, including the Delegate, will be elected.
 - e. There is a scholarship fund at the district 34 level if your group cannot afford to send you. Area 51 also provides a fund.
7. 75th North Carolina State Convention.
 - a. July 7 – 10, 2022
 - b. <https://aanorthcarolina.org/event/75th-north-carolina-state-convention/>

Old Business

1. Ad Hoc Picnic Committee:
 - Picnic is possible due to budget surplus provisions.
 - Will appoint a committee tonight to plan the event.
 - Paul, Brie, Liz, Donna, Michael will plan the event.
 - Will have updates next month.
2. Ad Hoc Workshop Committee:
 - Committee will be appointed tonight to decide on theme, get speakers and plan the overall workshop.
 - May be possible to host event in Michael R's church basement.
 - Jason, Brief, Craig, Andrew, Doug will plan the event.
 - Will have updates next month.
3. Area 51 Inventory
 - <https://aanorthcarolina.org/members/inventory-questions/>
 - During the June the assembly we will take A51's inventory. We're going to sit down and talk about how we're doing as an area. If we're not doing a good job this year, last year, previous year, etc., you're encouraged to go to the assembly and participate in the inventory at the assembly.
 - The inventory is available on the website.
 - GSRs can do this on behalf of their groups or individually.

4. Regional Pre-Conference – Feedback on how the meeting went; how communications were handled; how group business meetings went as a result of provided communication and direction:
- Last year there was a break down in communications. Things were passed in conference that were a surprise to many groups and group members.
 - Sue – This was my 1st conference – I learned a lot. I liked how they went about with agenda items. Very informative how they went back and explained how the controversial topic passed and the timeline used.
 - Dave – This was my 1st conference – It was handled professionally and was informative. The Delegate did a great job! Opinions were shared well.
 - Jason – a lot of information to take to our groups. Better timelines, better agenda items communicated to groups this time around. If we were more involved years ago, we would have been better informed. The communications set the stage for a black and white conversations vs. just opinions.
 - General:
 - The timeline provided about the change made to the A.A. Preamble was helpful!
 - The background to conference agenda items is over 1000 pages!
 - The Delegate needed to review everything and then pulled out the “highlighted” items that we would take back to our groups – this was done back in January. The reason the background is so big is because these agenda items, topics, areas or discussion and concern, suggestions, etc., come from A.A. members from all over. Anyone can write to the GSO. The Board tries to include as much information as possible to the conference agenda based on feedback and inputs provided from A.A. membership. There is an editing process, but the Board does a great job capturing all feedback.
 - Doug C. – If the Delegate only picked (highlighted) 5 – 6 items, what happens to be remaining agenda items?
 - Craig – at the Pre-Conference it is assumed you have already reviewed the agenda and have seen some of the items that would be of the utmost interest to your respective groups and members. Rainer (NC Delegate) pulled out the “hot topics” he felt were absolutely necessary to bring elevated levels of attention to.
 - Regarding the topic of a new version to the 4th edition of the book Alcoholics Anonymous with plain and simple language, the genesis of this

change dates back to a number of First Nation Tribes in Western Canada that meet together; none of them speak the same native language – none of which is their first language. They have issues with reading 1930's language from Bill Wilson.

5. The NC Delegate will go to NY carrying the NC conscience. If we want our NC Delegate to visit one of our District meetings, he will.

New Business

- a. No new business.

History Fact

None shared.

May History Fact to be presented by: Gouri

Home Group Announcements

- Willow Springs – 29th Anniversary on May 14, 2022. Please see flyer on District 34 Website.
- Morning Meditation Group lost a home group member – Memorial will be held at the TAC on June 2.
- Basics for Beginners Group has moved to the same location the Lakeside Group in Garner, NC meets and will be meeting on Friday nights in April at 6:30 PM in the “upstairs room” of the church. The church is located at: 503 Lakeside Dr, Garner.

End of the Meeting

Closed the meeting with the A.A. Responsibility Pledge.
Adjourned at 8:40 PM

Next meeting: May 10, 2022 @ Apex Masonic Lodge and via Zoom
6:30p – New Service Manual Study (also via Zoom)
7:30p – District meeting

Addendum – Helpful Mailing Addresses. Websites and Area 51

Events

Emails

DCM	d34dcm@gmail.com
Alt-DCM	d34dcma@gmail.com
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Websites

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Schedule of upcoming Area 51 events

2022	
Area 51 Spring Committee & Assembly Meeting	June 17 – 19, 2022 The Hilton Charlotte University Place 8629 JM Keynes Drive Charlotte, NC 28262
75th North Carolina State Convention	July 7 – July 10 Hilton Raleigh North Hills 3415 Wake Forest Road Raleigh, NC 27609 Register at www.aanconvention.com
Summer Committee Meeting 2022	August 20 – 21 Hilton Durham Near Duke University 800 Hillsborough Road, Durham, NC 27705