

District Committee Meeting Minutes – August 8, 2019

Read “Why Do We Need a Conference?” p. S20 *The A.A. Service Manual*

Introductions: Name, home group, why you’re here (GSR, Alternate, Committee Chair, AA Member)
25 groups were in attendance: Big Book No Smoke, Colors of Gratitude, Courage to Change, Desperados, Early Bird, Green St., Happy Hours, Hospital (Cone), It’s in the Book, Keeping it Green, Live and Let Live, Mid-Day reprieve, Muirs Chapel, Men’s, O=Henry, Pathway to Freedom, Piedmont/Piedmont Beginners, Serenity, Starmount, Step Lively, The Way Out, Young People Committees: CPC/PI, CFC and Website and Intergroup

Welcome New GSRs/Alt GSRs: Please see DCM, Alt DCM, or LCM after the meeting so we can get you registered and signed up for emails & text notifications.

Nathan V. - Early Bird

Mitch L. – Desperados

Madeline L. – Piedmont (alternate)

Volunteer for Stack Keeper* / Time Keeper:

Approval of Minutes (available on nc23.org):

- July minutes will be posted with August’s.

Treasurer's Report (presented quarterly):

- Kyle - new District treasurer
 - Would like to track committee budget/actual and surplus/shortfall
 - Motion made to accept, seconded and confirmed.
 - Wants to use computer from Unity Club or Intergroup for Quick Books
 - Motion to accept, seconded and confirmed

Committee Report Highlights, Service Needs, or Budget Needs (approximately 2 minutes):

(Standard committee reports are in this document.)

CPC/PI, CFC, GV, Special Events, Accessibilities, TFC, Website

- **CPC/PI:**
 - July and August are slow months. Jon will be speaking to the ABC’s board to see if they are sponsoring the folk festival.
 - Wayne B. is doing well and is getting fitted for his prosthetic
- **CFC:**
 - Roberta. – On August 13, eight people went through orientation, 3 were women. Another orientation will be held in October.
- **GV:**
 - Chairperson open
- **Special Events:**

- No update
- **Accessibilities:**
 - Chairperson open

Intergroup Report:

- Meeting next week for AA in 2022 Committee. Visit the possibility of expanding Intergroup role with other districts and housing committees in the Intergroup. Meeting, Tuesday, 8-13, 6:00 PM at the Intergroup office. Please announce at your meetings/groups.

GSRs:

Celebrations, concerns, ideas for District, comments on committee reports or questions.

Courage to Change - Business mtg. on Tuesday and will discuss service at Cone Treatment facility

Desperado- started having speakers on Sunday nights at 10:00 - well received.

Happy Hills - celebrated 32nd anniversary

Women's ES&H - hoping for more funding to keep supplying childcare

Live and let Live - Sunday night meeting Grapevine study will end after this month (August)

Lunch Bunch - has new AC unit and is collecting money for unit.

Pathway to Freedom – home group wants to know how to better get involved in services. Chip will attend the Intergroup meeting.

Serenity - group is growing

The way out - spoke to church about nc23.org website because general public is making inquiries at the church regarding AA activities.

Young People - Super Saturday was disbanded

Keeping It Green - Women's speaker meeting could use support

Dawn Patrol - could use support. This meeting is on a bus route.

Alt DCM Report:

- Went to 16th St. meeting - it's well visited

LCM Report:

- No report

DCM Report:

- How many groups take groups to treatment centers? GSRs to report to DCM after meeting to determine who is going where and when.
 - Summit Early Bird
 - Summit Men's Fellowship
 - Piedmont Group
 - Green Street
 - Happy Hills
 - Hospital Group
- District is trying to create service sponsors to grow general service. This helps AA exist. DCM read from page S90 of the General Service Manual regarding what the Grapevine is.
- GSO letter of August 5, 2019 - new NetSuite system is online

- Contributions to GSO are appreciated. “Give until it feels good.” Each individual in AA costs GSO \$8.06. Flier on NC23.org that you can provide to your home group.
 - Cone Hospital group is passing the basket a 2nd time during the month of August to support the GSO.
 - Some locations (members) donate a dollar for every year of sobriety on their anniversary.
 - Flier for 806 Challenge that you can take to your HG to discuss this topic.

Old Business:

- Grapevine chair open
- Treatment chair open

New Business:

- Cone Behavioral - Day Mark is being staffed, 3 days AA and 2 days for NA.

Motion to adjourn, seconded, confirmed.

Adjourn with Responsibility Statement

Committee Reports

CFC:

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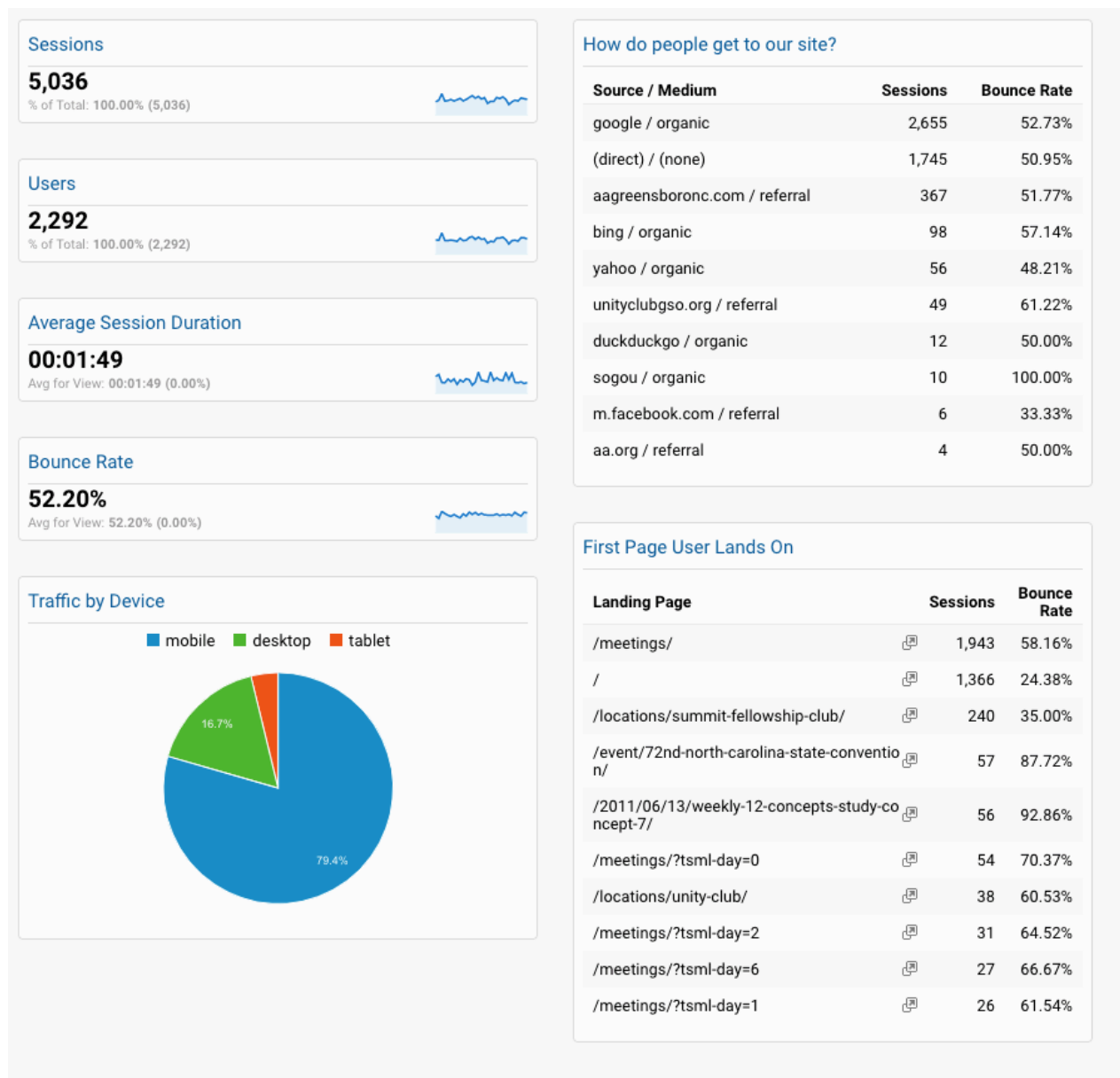
GV:

Special Events:

Accessibilities:

TFC:

Web & Tech - July 2019:



National AA technology conference 9-19 to 22 in Bowling Green, KY estimated budget is \$700. Motion to accept, seconded, confirmed.

Sam has attended and it changed his view on the design of the nc23.org website.

How the District 23 Committee Meeting Operates

(Adapted from HOW THE CONFERENCE OPERATES)

Generally speaking, we loosely follow Robert's Rules of Order and, with any luck, the whole meeting proceeds on as informal a basis as possible.

General Rules of Debate:

- People who wish to speak raise their hand to be recognized by the stack keeper*.
- Voting is by a show of hands for or against a motion.

Examples of the Process:

- Motion made >> Motion seconded >> Discussion >> Vote >> Motion passes >> Minority opinion requested
- Motion made >> Motion seconded >> Discussion >> Vote >> Motion fails >> Minority opinion requested >> Request to reconsider motion made >> Request to reconsider seconded >> Vote >> Reconsider gets greater than 50% >> Discussion resumes >> Vote >> Motion passes or fails (no further reconsideration)

Substantial Unanimity:

- All matters of policy require substantial unanimity - or a two-thirds vote.

Minority Opinion:

- After the establishment of rejection of any matter of policy by a two-thirds vote, the non-prevailing side will always be given the opportunity to speak to its opposition. There is no rebuttal.

Request to Reconsider:

- Must be made in the form of a motion by someone who had voted with the prevailing side and now, after further consideration, wishes to change their vote.
- Requires a second from any voting member.
- Requires only a simple majority to cause reconsideration. If passed, full debate, pro and con, is resumed on the action.
- No action may be reconsidered twice.

*Stack Keeper: One group participant needs to fill the role of the Stack Keeper. The Stack Keeper needs a pen and paper. "The Stack" is the order of participants who are speaking. If a participant raises their hand to say something, the Stack Keeper puts their name at the bottom of stack list. When the person at the top of Stack has finished speaking, the Stack Keeper crosses their name off and announces the next speaker. Thus, the Stack Keeper is the person responsible for identifying who speaks and when. The Stack Keeper must constantly be paying attention and looking around the room to see who wants to speak. In addition to these duties, the Stack Keeper may also contribute normally to the discussion.

Minutes of 8-8-19