

# District Committee Meeting Agenda – May 9, 2019

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

**Introductions:** Name, homegroup, why you’re here (GSR, Alternate, Committee Chair, AA Member)

**22 Groups in attendance:** Courage to Change, Desperados, Early Bird, Free Spirit, Hospital (Cone Group), Issues and Answers for Women, It’s in The Big Book, Big Book No Smoke, Live and Let Life, Lunch Bunch, Mustard Seed, Open Channel, Pathway to Freedom, Pleasant Garden, Rule 62, Serenity, Sixth Sense, Starmount, Step Lively, The Way Out, Young People 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.

Becky – Experience, Strength and hope

Gene – Big Book

Dan – Big Book

**Volunteer for Stack Keeper\* / Time Keeper**

**Approval of Minutes (available on [nc23.org](http://nc23.org))**

Approved

**Treasurer’s Report (presented quarterly)**

Motion to wait for Skip to review report passed

**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:**

- Needs members
- No funding needs

**CFC:**

- No funding needs
- Stopping applications due to number of members who went to training and number of members who are scheduled for training
- Could we get the old Dell computer running at Intergroup?
- Adding mailbox at Intergroup

**GV:**

- Need chair

**Accessibilities:**

- Need chair

### **Special Events:**

- Needs volunteers for June 8, Founders Days, volunteers needed at 10:00. Shelter 2 Burmill Park

### **Website:**

- Is in the agenda report  
Asked new GSRs to see web committee member after the meeting

### **Intergroup Report:**

- We are still looking for volunteers for substitutes. Some orientation needed.
- If you don't know who your home group Intergroup representative see Mike for information or form. Form is on homepage at nc23.org. Also collect name for Intergroup contact

### **GSRs:**

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

- Motion to skip home group accouchements with exception of special announcements - motion passed unanimously
  - Big Book No Smoke is celebrating their 28-year anniversary on Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, dinner at 6:00 (bring covered dish); Jerry S. will be speaking at 7:00.
  - Adrian getting a 4 year chip tonight.
  - Jean will celebrate 36 years on Sunday.
  - Wayne B. had serious surgery is at Cone Hospital. Could take him a meeting. Keep him in your prayers.

### **Alt DCM Report:**

### **LCM Report:**

### **DCM Report:**

- There are a lot of announcements. Please announce them at all meetings you attend.
- Service fair Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 to 4:00. Talk to DCM if interested in attending.
- District elections are in November. Positions require commitment and time.

### **Old Business:**

- Accessibilities chair open – no interest
- Grapevine chair open – no interest
- Treatment Center chair open – Dan stood. Motion was made –motion passed unanimously.
- Suggestions to area regarding ways to use \$18,000.
  - Courage to change:
    - Motion - Each district that has financial needs gets money – motion passed unanimously
    - Motion - Keep in area not to GSO – motion made – motion passed unanimously
    - Pay some of next years planned expenses – Motion failed

- What would be pre-payable?
- We've had surplus for years
- Live and Let Live:
  - Motion - That the district recommend to Area 51 that the excess funds be spent to reduce the cost of GSRs attending assemblies, including potential renegotiation of contracts with the Hilton Raleigh North Hills to remove or reduce the room block requirement as well as acquiring a location for future years that does not require a substantial room block – motion passed unanimously.

### **New Business:**

- Live and Let Live brought forward to motions.
  - Motion - (1) That District 23 establish a committee to investigate the possibility and process and potential locations for a central office for Greensboro and neighboring areas – motion passed unanimously.
  - Motion - (2) See suggestions to area regarding ways to use \$18,000.

### **Adjourn with Responsibility Statement**

## **Committee Reports**

### **CPC/PI:**

We have had one team member move and another is extremely busy at work. If you or your homegroup is interested in doing CPC/PI service work or to just find out what a CPC actually does, please contact me at [cpc@nc23.org](mailto:cpc@nc23.org) or 336-340-1153

1. I met with Pathway to Freedom about the possibility of setting up their own CPC committee and will gladly visit any homegroup that might be interested in finding out more
2. Sent a follow up email to Monarch Recovery so they can contact the area CPC about future needs and offered District 23 support for any future events in Greensboro
3. Currently sending an email to the DCMs in High Point, Winston Salem and Stokes counties to proceed with offering PSAs to local media

### **CFC:**

### **GV:**

### **Special Events:**

### **Accessibilities:**

- See minutes

### **TFC:**

- See minutes

## Web & Tech:

April 2019:

- NC23.org:
  - 5,125 sessions by 2,357 users for an average duration of 1:59 minutes. 77.2% of traffic is on phones.
    - How do people get to our site?

● Source / Medium	Sessions	Bounce Rate
● google / organic	2,760	50.14%
● (direct) / (none)	1,787	52.49%
● aagreensboronc.com / referral	385	48.05%
● bing / organic	74	59.46%
● yahoo / organic	44	31.82%
● unityclubgso.org / referral	16	31.25%
● m.facebook.com / referral	12	66.67%
● uncg.instructure.com / referral	8	37.50%
● duckduckgo / organic	7	71.43%
● sogou / organic	7	100.00%
- Text Notifications: 27 trusted servants are signed up for text notifications about district meetings.
- Email List: 254 subscribers are receiving notifications about website updates

# 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.