

District 23 Meeting Minutes

for July 13, 2023

Why Do We Need a Conference? Was read

Roll Call + call for special group needs + new GSR/Alt GSR. Kimberly asked all to sign the sign-in sheet.

Committee Chair	Member	Present
DCM	Kimberly M	X
Alt DCM	Kyle R	X
LCM 1	Jennifer W	
LCM 2	Jimmy	X
Treasurer	Holly	X
Secretary	Jami U	X
Web & Technology	Mariah/Josh	X
Special Events	Robin R.	
Treatment Facilities (TFC)	Della	X
Correctional Facilities (CFC)	Viki/Tom	
Cooperation with the Professional Community / Public Information (CPC/PI)	Zach M	
Accessibilities	Iris	
Grapevine	Tommy S	X

Groups Present: Bethel, Down & Dirty, Mustard Seed, Greene Street, Shivering Denizens, Saturday Men’s Touchstone, Free Spirit, Courage to Change, Safe Shelter, The Way Out, Safe Haven, Keeping It Green.

Group special needs: No

New GSRs/Alt GSRs present:

Jonathan – Bethel, GSR
Debbie – Midday Reprieve, GSR

Special needs or announcements – Shivering Denizens which was the only all virtual meeting closed on July 3rd. Sunlight of the Spirit women’s meeting has also disbanded. Lastly, the Green Street group has decided to discontinue its Zoom offering and only have the meeting in person.

Last month’s meeting minutes: No suggested changes. Motion made to accept the June district meeting minutes. The minutes were approved.

Open (Vacant) Committee Chair positions: Accessibilities

In-Meeting Committee Chair comments

Grapevine: Tommy S

- This month's Grapevine is a special issue "AA in prison", and Tommy has many copies to donate to Corrections.

Accessibilities: Iris

- None

Cooperation with the Professional Community & Public Information (CPC/PI): Zach

- See full report below in the "Submitted Committee Reports" section for more details on volunteers requested for the Health Fair and Annual Sky's the Limit Walk Against Violence and Drugs on July 22nd, 2023 from 12 PM to 3 PM. We'll have a booth there.

Special Events: Robin

- See full report below in the "Submitted Committee Reports" section.

Correctional Facilities (CFC):

- See full report below in the "Submitted Committee Reports" section.

Treatment Facilities (TFC): Della

- See full report below in the "Submitted Committee Reports" section.

Web & Technology: Mariah

- See full report below in the "Submitted Committee Reports" section.
- Mariah is looking into how the nc23.org website can use temporary messages or adhoc messages, like would be useful for inclement weather for example. Note that the Meeting Finder app only refreshes every 12 hours.

Intergroup: Dave

- Year to date, contributions are up over last year and sales are up over last year.
- Intergroup's lease expired at the end of May, and the new landlord agreed to allow a month to month term. Rent increased to \$800 a month.
- Intergroup will remain at three shifts per week – MWF, 10-2 PM until additional volunteers are available. There can't be a Saturday shift until there are more volunteers.
- **GSRs**, consider asking your homegroup to have an Intergroup representative. Also share the flier that is in the Submitted Committee Reports suction from Intergroup.

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Treasurer: Holly

- See full report below in the “Submitted Committee Reports” section.
- In Holly’s financial report, she added a line item at the bottom, for individual contributions via cash app, and also groups.
- Recently the district’s post office box was inadvertently closed, and contributions were returned to the groups. The annual fee for the post office box is now paid. **GSRs**, let Holly know if you have concerns or feedback/impact to your group. Take this message directly to your treasurer. Holly sent an email communication also.
- **GSRs**, also please check the group contribution list (below in the Submitted Committee Reports” section) and let Holly know if any are missing. Make sure to include your group name or GSR name when submitting payment.

Alt DCM: Kyle

- Nothing to report.

LCM: Jimmy/Jennifer

- Nothing to report.

DCM: Kimberly

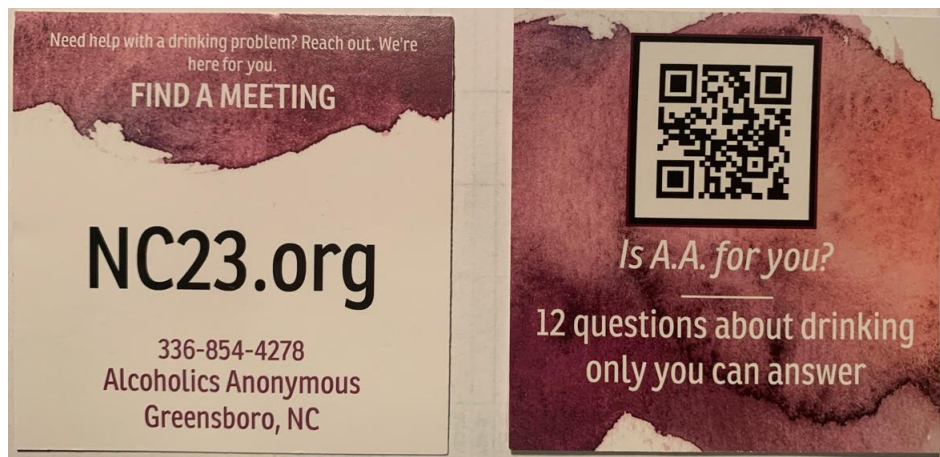
- The NC State Convention is July 20 - 23 at Lake Junaluska Conference and Retreat Center. Let Kimberly know if you want to volunteer to chair a marathon meeting, be a greeter, or take a shift in the hospitality suite.
- The new Grapevine app is coming out in September.
- The area has a surplus of \$572. How should the surplus be used? Ideas must be submitted by October 31, 2023 to George S. our Area 51 Treasurer at treasurer@aanorthcarolina.org. It must be a one-time expense; cannot be recurring. It was suggested to apply the surplus toward equipment for hybrid ability at assemblies. This might also appear on the agenda for the fall assembly.
- The next North Carolina Assembly is Oct 21-22 in North Raleigh. A “Unity Fund” is available if your home group can’t afford to send your GSR. **GSRs**, go ahead and start talking to your groups to set aside some finances to send you to the Assembly.
- During Kimberly’s terms as DCM, she’s come across questions that didn’t know the answers to. There isn’t a central location currently for district information and so she would like to create a sort of policy and procedures manual for the district. Jennifer also expressed interest. Especially those that have been coming to district meetings for a long time, she would welcome your participation. It might include items like terms for an officer, eligibility requirements, the process for reimbursement, how to vote during elections. In some ways like the P3 manual but not as lengthy.
- Adrean submitted the application for 501C3 status (nonprofit) last month and he thinks it will approved by September.

Old Business

- Non-Profit Ad-hoc committee update: Application was submitted last month. They have not assigned our application yet but it will likely be processed and approved by September.
 - Price out insurance policies
 - Exemption letter will date back to filing date - will Google refund?

New Business

- **GSRs** - The Accessibilities position is open and will be elected at August meeting: GSRs please announce. If you are interested and/or want more details please contact Kimberly (DCM). The term is just for through the end of this year, but the candidate would be eligible for a full two year term beginning next year.
- Keith, an AA member and a lawyer, attended the district meeting to address any questions that we might have regarding the bylaws and nonprofit status for our district. There was a question about board members for the nonprofit being liable. He responded that whatever that liability is, it was already there – that a nonprofit status doesn't change it. He estimated that if a policy was sought out to specifically cover board members, it might cost \$200 a year for seven members and board of directors, not much. Note that Area 51 does have insurance. We thank Keith for coming and providing expertise.
- Don M made/ordered PI cards - **GSRs** please distribute. Notice the QR code that leads to the 12 questions on AA.org, then on the other side is the phone number for Intergroup and where to call to find a meeting and also NC23.org. The cards can for example be left at coffee shops, or on a bulletin board (two of them side by side). The cost to print one thousand cards is \$81, or 500 cards for \$57. There was a suggestion to order more, about 2,000 cards. The below is just a screenshot (which doesn't do it justice) of the front and back. Each card a 2 inch square.



Meeting adjourned with Responsibility Statement

Submitted Committee Reports

Treasurer:

District 23 Financial Report															
June 2023															
	2023	Jan	Feb	March	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	Budget vs. Actual
INCOME															
	Proposed Budget														
Group & Individual Contrib	\$ 4,500.00	\$410.00	\$789.11	\$93.00	\$627.00	\$30.00	\$381.80	\$157.10							2,488.01
Founders Day	\$ -													0.00	\$0.00
NYE	\$ -													0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL MONTH INCOME	\$ 4,500.00	410.00	789.11	93.00	627.00	30.00	381.80	157.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$ 2,488.01	\$2,488.01
Subcommittee Expenses															
	Proposed Budget														
Accessibilities	\$ 200.00													0.00	\$200.00
CPC/PI	\$ 200.00													0.00	\$200.00
CFC	\$ 462.30				\$226.00									226.00	\$236.30
Grapavine	\$ 50.00													0.00	\$50.00
TFC	\$ 200.00													0.00	\$200.00
Special Events	\$ 1,500.00							\$712.22						712.22	\$787.78
Web	\$ 575.00	\$7.50	\$7.50	\$7.50	\$7.50	\$7.50	\$7.50	\$32.50						77.50	\$497.50
District Level Expenses															
Bank Fees	\$ 48.00	\$4.00	\$4.00	\$4.00	\$4.00	\$4.00	\$4.00							24.00	\$24.00
Zoom	\$ 149.90						\$149.90							149.90	\$0.00
Buzz Sessions	\$ 200.00													0.00	\$200.00
Rent	\$ 200.00							\$200.00						200.00	\$0.00
Preconference	\$ 100.00													0.00	\$100.00
Printing and Supplies	\$ 200.00			\$43.28										43.28	\$156.72
PO Box	\$ 146.00						\$194.00							194.00	(\$48.00)
Non-Profit Filing Fee	\$ -		\$62.00				\$275.00							337.00	(\$337.00)
Google Workspace	\$ -	\$66.00	\$66.00	\$66.00	\$66.00	\$66.00	\$66.00	\$66.00						462.00	(\$462.00)
Intergroup Storage	\$ 60.00							\$40.00						40.00	\$20.00
Winter Committee Mtg	\$ 629.20			\$602.04										602.04	\$27.16
Spring Assembly	\$ 1,193.20						\$502.00							502.00	\$691.20
Summer Committee Mtg	\$ 728.00													0.00	\$728.00
Fall Assembly	\$ 1,193.20													0.00	\$1,193.20
Outstanding 2022 Expenses						\$358.95								358.95	(\$358.95)
TOTAL MONTH EXPEN	\$ 8,034.80	77.50	139.50	722.82	303.50	436.45	1,198.40	1,050.72	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,569.94	\$4,464.86
Summary															
Starting Balance	\$ 7,361.25														
Income	\$538.90	(June 1 to July 13)													
Expenses	\$ 2,249.12	(June 1 to July 13)													
Bank Balance	\$5,575.12	(As of July 13)													
Prudent Reserv	\$2,400.00														
Total Funds Avail	\$3,175.12														

District 23 2023 Group Contributions

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
A.A. Breakfast Group													0.00
Agnostics Atheists Freethinkers Group													0.00
Big Book No Smoke Group		21.00		148.00									169.00
Big Book Too Group													0.00
Colors Of Gratitude Group													28.00
Cornerstone Group		28.00											0.00
Courage To Change Group													20.00
Crosstalk Group		20.00											0.00
Dawn Patrol Group	50.00	79.36		152.16									281.52
Day Time Group						300.00							300.00
Dogwood Group													0.00
Down & Dirty Group				700.00									700.00
Early Bird Group							25.17						25.17
Free Spirit Group													0.00
Greene Street Group				50.00									50.00
Happy Hill Group													0.00
Happy Hour Group				100.00									100.00
Hospital Group				27.00									27.00
How It Works Men Group													246.00
Info Action Group		246.00											50.00
It's In The Book Group				50.00									69.38
Keeping It Green Group		69.38											0.00
Language Of The Heart Group													0.00
Last Chance Group													0.00
Live And Let Live Group													0.00
Lunch Bunch Group													150.00
Mid-Day Reprieve Group		150											0.00
Miracles Happen Group					50								50.00
Muir's Chapel Mens Group													0.00
Mustard Seed Group													0.00
New Beginning For Women Group													0.00
Nighttime On Greene Group													0.00
Open Channel Group													0.00
Open Door Group													0.00
Pathway To Freedom Group													0.00
Pepsi Group													0.00
Pleasant Garden AA Group													0.00
Radiance Group													0.00
Safe Haven Group													0.00
Safe Shelter Group													0.00
Saturday Morning Men's Meeting							76.6						0.00
Serenity Group													130.00
Shivering Denizens			40				90						0.00
Simply Group													0.00
Sixes And Sevens Step Group													0.00
Sixteenth Street Speaker Group		315											315.00
Sixth Sense Group													0.00
Starmount Group													0.00
Step Lively (12&12) Group													0.00
Summerfield Group													0.00
Summit Fellowship Mens Group													0.00
Sunlight of the Spirit Group													0.00
The Way Out Group													0.00
Turning Point Group													0.00
Welcome Home													0.00
Women's ESH													0.00
YANA Group													0.00
Unknown or Individual	45	175.37	93.00	53		50	5	42					370.37
	410.00	789.11	93.00	1,277.16	50.00	381.81	157.1	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,061.44

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Accessibilities: None

Special Events:

The picnic went really well! I do think we had more people attend this year although it's hard to tell because the overall area was smaller than last year's. We had plenty of food, so 200 is the right number to purchase for. And, starting at 1:00 PM (rather than Noon) was a good call - 4 hours is more than enough time to enjoy the picnic

A few notes for next year:

- Suggest booking shelter 4 for next year - Date will be Sunday, June 9th. (This is Founder's Day Weekend 2024). Shelter 4 is definitely the nicest shelter there - more space to spread out, and more privacy. (Shelter rental can not be done till Jan 2, 2024, I have it on my calendar-Robin)
- Need more paper plates - we ran out
- Need to be sure we have (4) big bags of charcoal (we had 2 and I had to leave and go purchase more)
- Need more help at the actual event - had plenty of help in the morning, but not enough help during the day (grilling)
- Add more activities - maybe badminton and/or Crossnet
- Money:
 - \$742 on food and drinks
 - \$40 ice
 - \$150 shelter rental
 - Collected \$169 as donations at the event which went towards the costs.

CFC:

James met with HP jail, still nothing in Gso. They are not willing to change from the 3 hour commitment for men and the 2 hour commitment for women - for AA meetings. They don't understand why we can't adhere to their schedule (3 hours men, 2 hours women) because the churches are able to follow that schedule.

CPC/PI:

This month same thing aching out to more businesses and need volunteers for next Friday I have a few maybes so far info below

Calling home groups Aa will be setting up a booth at the 9th annual walk against drugs and alcohol Saturday July 22 need a few volunteers to help spread message and field questions last year had about 1500 people

1300 Sykes ave greensboro, Nc 27405

Contact Zach at 3362077087 to volunteer

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TFC:

There has not been much change with the Cone Behavioral Health (CBH) facility over the last month. The Monday and Friday night meetings have been going well. We have openings for daytime meetings on Saturday and Sunday at either 2 or 4pm, although we are in the process of confirming if they will allow night time slots as well.

For the new facility, Cone/Guilford Facilities Based Crisis Unit (FBC) we have nightly meetings on Tuesday's, Wednesday's, Thursday's and Saturday's and we have daytime meetings on Monday's. We still have openings for daytime or nighttime meetings on Fridays (some weeks of the month) and Sunday's at either 2, 4 or 8pm.

Just as a reminder, there is a meeting guide at each location which the groups are using to facilitate the meetings. It is intended to simulate an AA beginner meeting with reading of the 12 steps, Bridging the Gap and the Promises. There is a limit of 2 with a preference of mixed gender. If your group is taking meetings into either of these locations and for some reason can't take a meeting in on your date/time, please let me know as soon as possible so we can either make other arrangements or let the contact know that we will not be there at the scheduled time. This is critical to their internal scheduling.

If your home group is interested in some great service work, please contact me as soon as possible for available days/times. Our goal is to bring a meeting into both of these facilities every available day of the week!! Thank you all for your service work!! Let's fill these remaining open slots as quickly as possible!! If you would like additional information, don't hesitate to call or email me directly.

Thanks, Della (336) 708-1216

Grapevine: Latest issue is AA in prison. Will bring copies for distribution.

Web & Tech: Message from Sam "The embed of the NC23 Twitter feed will no longer work and should be removed from the site. Twitter no longer supports this because it requires people to be logged into an account to read tweets. If you want another solution for timely updates that don't require editing the site, let me know and I'll research what is available." Working with Sam on another solution. I have asked him to remove this from the site.

Intergroup: See flier below.



Hours
Monday, Wednesday, Friday
10AM - 2PM
Info@aagreensboronc.com

Greensboro Intergroup Office

Location
4125 Walker Ave, C-2
Greensboro, NC 27407
336-854-4278

Visit us to shop for literature and other AA related items.

Intergroup of Greensboro is your resource center for alcoholics in the Piedmont.
Our primary purpose is to provide alcoholics access and support both individually and on a group level:

- 24-hour hotline and answering service (calls welcome from family members and employers).
- Recovery literature, recovery medallions, accessories, and other items.
- Information for health care providers who serve our community.

Intergroup Representative (IGR)

An IGR serves as a liaison between the groups, its members, and Intergroup. Serving as an IGR offers you a rewarding opportunity to share in Alcoholics Anonymous' Third Legacy - Service. **Does your home group have an IGR?**

Meetings

There is a bi-monthly Intergroup business meeting held the third Wednesday of each odd month at 6:30pm. The next meeting will be July 19th @ 6:30pm, at the Intergroup office. For more information or to get your group connected to all of the business, events, and conversations happening throughout the Piedmont Triad A.A. call (336) 854-4278 or email:

info@aagreensboronc.com

Volunteers

We are looking for a few good volunteers to work a four-hour shift Mon - Sat. Those interested must have one year of sobriety and must be reliable.

