

District 23 Meeting Minutes

for November 10, 2022

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	Mitch	X
Secretary	Jami U	X
Web & Technology	Mariah/Josh	X
Special Events	Robin R.	
Treatment Facilities (TFC)	Della	X
Correctional Facilities (CFC)	Roberta R	
Cooperation with the Professional Community / Public Information (CPC/PI)	Zach M	X
Accessibilities	Iris	X
Grapevine	Tommy S	X

14 Groups Present: Big book No Smoke, Language of the Heart, Midday Reprieve, Into Action, Courage to Change, Mustard Seed, Safe Haven, Down & Dirty, Safe Shelter, Comerstone, The Way Out, Muirs Chapel Mens Group, It's in the Book, Free Spirit, Greene St Group, Early Bird.

Group special needs: No

New GSRs/Alt GSRs present:

Noah GSR, Language of the Heart
 Debbie GSR, Midday Reprieve
 Ken GSR, Big book No Smoke
 Carlos GSR, Safe Haven
 Tyler P, GSR, Courage to Change

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

Open (Vacant) Committee Chair positions: None

In-Meeting Committee Chair comments

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

- Made headway with Guildford county probation office, as well as with Sober Living America. They need pamphlets, literature, and fellowship with their male clients. Every other Saturday at the park we work with a speaker at their group, and we're going to take a meeting to Sober Living America every other Sunday. Contact Zach if you are interested in participating in this meeting. Also, Sober Living America is in need of temporary sponsors for men. Please share the temporary sponsorship and the every-other Sunday meeting with your homegroups and contact Zach at cpc@nc23.org for more details.

Special Events: Robin –

- The New Year's Eve party event venue is secured at Westminster Presbyterian church. Please contact Scott K or David N to volunteer for event positions. Contributions will be accepted at the event. Homegroups please bring appetizers and desserts. See the full report below in the *Submitted Committee Reports* section for more details.

Correctional Facilities (CFC): Roberta –

- No report at this time; no change.

Treatment Facilities (TFC): Della – See the full report below in the *Submitted Committee Reports* section.

- About taking meetings to treatment facilities - Members and homegroups that have volunteered are appreciated. There are still some openings - see the full report below in the *Submitted Committee Reports* section for details. Also contact Della for more information if needed and to sign up -(336) 708-1216 della_manning@att.net.

Web & Technology: Mariah –

- The National AA Technology workshop – they started hosting some of the content from the workshop. See the workshop hyperlinks in the Submitted Committee Reports section below. They discuss technology adoption as a unifying factor, why tech positions are challenging to fill, and how the traditions are leveraged in technology. More content is posted on their website. Join the Web & Technology committee if you'd like to volunteer.
- Don M joined as a new Web & Tech committee member. Josh is also on committee.
- There are print friendly versions of the Meeting Finder available. See the hyperlink in her full report below in the Submitted Committee Reports section.

- Please review your homegroup's meeting posting on NC23.org, specifically the "Notes" section because some are covid related and likely don't apply anymore. Please update. How to do it – Go to your meeting listing on the NC23.org website, go to tab "Meeting finder", click on your meeting, click "Request a change to this listing", and input in the change. OR you can email Mariah at website@nc23.org and she may be able to assist.
- Also, on the NC23.org meeting finder, many inactive meetings are now categorized in "Draft status" so it won't bog down the download process for meeting finder.

Intergroup: Dave –

- Regarding last month, recall that Intergroup lost money (about \$1000) in September due to reduced sales and contributions, and increased office expenses. This month there was a "bounce back". Thank you for your contributions; it made a difference and currently there is a \$600 surplus. YTD they are -\$230 dollars net and Dave forecasts that there will be a small surplus at the end of the year. He expressed gratitude for the group contributions during the past several weeks; they were significant and welcomed. Their balance sheet is strong, they reduced inventory compared to last year without impacting sales (there was too much stock). And they are looking for ways to cut expenses. For example, he called Spectrum and stated they were nonprofit, and Spectrum reduced the bill from \$196 to around \$128. This saves about \$800 per year.

Treasurer: Mitch –

- See screenshot below in the *Submitted Committee Reports* section. The October treasurer's report was approved.

Grapevine:

- Nothing to report [newly filled position]

Alt DCM: Kyle –

- Mitch (district treasurer) has his name added to the bank account as a signatory.
- The Ad Hoc committee met last month. See the New Business section for more details regarding the Ad Hoc committee.

LCM: Jimmy/Jennifer –

- Jimmy and Jennifer have stayed in contact with the Active GSRs through the district to get them more involved. It's going well.

DCM: Kimberly - See the full report below in the *Submitted Committee Reports* section.

- "Service Nerds," Greensboro's service manual study meets at 6:15p every Wednesday night on Zoom. Details are on nc23.org.
- Area Updates:
 - Fall Assembly: November 19-20, Hilton North Raleigh - Election Assembly
 - Call for roommates and rides

Old Business

- Open Position: Grapevine (was filled)
- Ad-hoc committee update
- Agenda items

New Business

- 2023 Budget: Please take the budget back to your homegroups for feedback/approval. The District 23 2023 Proposed Budget will begin with less funds due in part to a reduction in contributions during 2022 and expenses by the end of the 2022 year.

District 23 - 2023 Proposed Budget

Subcommittee Expenses		District Level Expenses	
Accessibilities	200.00	Bank Fees	48.00
CPC/PI	200.00	Zoom	149.90
CFC		Buzz Sessions	200.00
Literature, etc.	30.00	Rent	200.00
Freedom from Bondage	432.30	Preconference	100.00
Registration	15.00	Printing and Supplies	200.00
Room	244.80	P.O. Box	146.00
Mileage	80.50	Intergroup Storage	60.00
Meals and Incidentals	92.00	Winter Committee Meeting (Durham)	
Grapevine	50.00	Room	309.60
Special Events	1,500.00	Mileage	98.80
TFC	200.00	Meals and Incidentals	220.80
Web	200.00	Spring Assembly (Raleigh)	
Webmaster, text messages, etc.	350.00	Room	667.20
NAATW Registration	25.00	Mileage	158.00
TOTAL Subcommittee Expenses	3,187.30	Meals and Incidentals	368.00
		Summer Committee Meeting (Blowing Rock)	
Anticipated 12/31/2022 Balance	6,384.00	Room	309.60
Less Prudent Reserve	(2,400.00)	Mileage	197.60
Total Available to Spend 12/31/2022	3,984.00	Meals and Incidentals	220.80
Anticipated 2022 Contributions	4,500.00	Fall Assembly (Raleigh)	
Total Available to Budget	8,484.00	Room	667.20
Less Total Subcommittee Expenses	(3,187.30)	Mileage	158.00
Less Total District Level Expenses	(4,847.50)	Meals and Incidentals	368.00
Unbudgeted Balance Remaining	449.20	TOTAL District Level Expenses	4,847.50

(New Business continued)

- An inquiry was made by a district member about an apparent lack of receipts (Founders Day?). After some discussion it was determined that receipts do exist and are shared/documented between committee chair members but not necessarily with general district members. For example, receipts do not appear in the Treasurer's report below in the *Submitted Committee Reports* section.
- Thomas S stood for the Grapevine position, and it was accepted. Welcome to Tommy. The Grapevine coordinator helps to increase awareness of the AA Grapevine in the district. In addition to working with meetings' grapevine representatives, the Grapevine coordinator participates in district events providing announcements and often door prizes. The Grapevine position was the last to be filled; every district chair position is now officially filled.
- Ad-hoc committee update – This group was formed last month to address the issue of losing free email service through Gmail and a reminder that we voted then on a solution (or plan of action) but after the fact realized all the correct information wasn't available for the vote/decision. Therefore, last month (Oct) we asked the district to reconsider the plan. The adhoc committee met, discussed, and came away with action items. A presentation from the Ad Hoc committee is planned for the next December district meeting.
- Regarding the agenda items for the Fall Assembly (Nov 19-20) – The DCM Kimberly requested group consensus on the agenda items. All participating members agreed with agenda #1. For agenda #2, all participating members agreed. For agenda #3, all participating members agreed. For agenda #4, all participating members agreed.
- The annual Christmas dramatized play "Ebenezer S" will occur on Dec 4th at 3:30 at Westminster Presbyterian church. More details regarding the play will be on NC23.org site soon. Seating room goes quickly!
- The Alca-thon [I believe this is a nearly all day back-to-back meeting event] during Thanksgiving at the Unity Club will likely not happen this year.
- The Early Bird group inquired about getting printed schedules. Intergroup has printed schedules in the past, but apparently discontinued for some time due to so many group changes [presumably from Covid]. Intergroup will consider printing the meeting schedules again. A printable version is available here: https://nc23.org/wp-content/uploads/meeting_list-1.pdf
- Gordon R will be hosting a gratitude meeting at Dogwood during Thanksgiving.

Meeting adjourned with Responsibility Statement

Submitted Committee Reports

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Submitted Committee Reports

Treasurer:

Running Balance October 2022					
Beginning Balance:	\$7,195.37	Ending Balance:	\$7,976.55	Prudent Reserve:	
Total Credits:	\$885.32	Total Debits:	-\$104.14	Inc/(Dec) in Assets	\$781.18
<u>Contributor</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Check No.</u>	<u>Purpose/Budget</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Truist		-\$4.00		Service Charge	
Kimberly M		-\$34.14		Printouts	
CashApp		\$307.90			Cash Out for Nov
Google Gsuite		-\$66.00		Email hosting	
Open Door		\$50.00	1116	Group Contribution	
Early Bird		\$200.00	1038	Group Contribution	
Big Book No Smoke		\$56.50	2162	Group Contribution	
It's In The Book		\$64.00	1046	Group Contribution	
Daytime Group		\$137.92		Group Contribution	
Daytime Group		\$50.00		Group Contribution	prisons
How It Works		\$19.00		Group Contribution	

Accessibilities: No report submitted

Special Events: Flyer for NYE is available on nc23.org. The event will be held at Westminster Presbyterian. Scott F is speaking at 6pm. Food to be served at 7pm. Rena K to speak at 9pm. DJ and dancing from 10p to 1am. Please contact Steve K if you would like to volunteer to help (941) 445-0079. **Please bring appetizers and desserts.**

CFC: No report submitted

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 Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday at either 2 or 4pm.

For the new facility, Cone/Guilford Facilities Based Crisis Unit (FBC) we have nightly meetings on Tuesday's and Thursday's and we have daytime meetings on Monday's. **We still have openings for daytime or nighttime meetings on Wednesday's, Friday's, Saturday's 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
Della_Manning@att.net

Web & Tech:

2022 NAATW Workshop

Reports/media are still being uploaded

<https://naatw.org/archival-content/2022-naatw-workshop-seattle-wa/>

<https://naatw.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/NAATW-2022-Crowdsource-Workshop-Report.pdf>

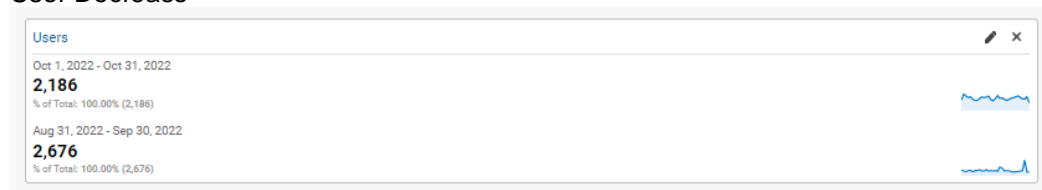
Pulled all meetings into draft status from “temporary inactive”, this was pushed out by Meeting Guide App - many of the meetings had been “temporarily inactive” since pandemic.

App Support states “Our support desk gets frequent inquiries from newcomers who are confused by these listings. In addition, because Meeting Guide only imports 500 meetings at a time these inactive meetings take the spot of an active meeting that could be displayed. Moving forward we are considering limiting meetings that have this type applied to 90 days of display.”

Meeting Schedule – (Current Print Friendly Version) https://nc23.org/wp-content/uploads/meeting_list-1.pdf

New committee member Don M.

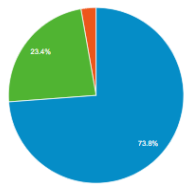
User Decrease



Traffic by Device

mobile desktop tablet

Oct 1, 2022 - Oct 31, 2022



Aug 31, 2022 - Sep 30, 2022

