## WEBSITE SECRETARY'S MINUTES April 6, 2024

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Opened the meeting with the "we" version of the Serenity Prayer at 12:00 pm.

## **ATTENDANCE FOR April 2024** (15)

**OFFICERS:** (3) **D4** Jeannie S; **D9** Evonne L; **D7** Nancy H.

**DISTRICT WEB CHAIRS:** (5) **D1** David G; **D3** Brennen C; **D4** Chris M; **D6** Bob T; **D7** Sabine S; **D8** Callie S.

VISITORS: (7) D1 John D; D2 Sophia C; D8 Allen S; D9 Sally H; D10 Elizabeth H., Nikkie P; D? Amy W.

## **OFFICERS REPORTS**

**Chair:** My name is Jeannie S., and I am an alcoholic. My sobriety date is February 8, 2012. My home groups (I love them both so much I can't choose between them) is the Traditions Group in District 4.

Thank you host districts for a mucho magnifico Quarterly experience. Viva mariachi!

The Website Committee hosted an Intra-Quarterly Zoom meeting on March 11<sup>th</sup> where Shirley P. and Alan T. of our Current Practice committee presented "A Beginners Guide to Current Practice". We had a lively conversation on the Book of Current Practice and the Book of Motions and what each contains. We also discussed how technology can make them more usable as well as accessible. We recalled Micah K. of District 9's prior presentation on creating Help content and are now working with the CP committee on generating Help content related to the upcoming elections.

Our most important item of business this quarter was electing an Alternate Chair. Unfortunately, none of the attendees who qualified chose to stand for the position which remains open.

At yesterday's committee meeting, besides the election, we discussed topics for the next Intra Quarterly meeting to be held via Zoom on June 10, 2024. The topic will be "Protecting Anonymity on the Internet / Privacy Requirements / Terms of Use ".

We also reviewed the districts survey results posted on our Committee page that documents:

- What services are being provided by district committees.
- What software and hardware components are in place to support them.
- How they perform backups and migrations.

We are going to expand the survey to include other information such as:

- What services besides website do you support?
- Is your committee a Website committee or a Technology committee? Finally, our wonderful Webservant, Evonne, discussed the NAATW Monthly Technology sessions held monthly on the last Tuesday starting last March. Check out March's posting to hear Evonne's presentation! Of course, the links are on our Website Committee page.

Respectfully submitted, Jeannie S.

**Alt Chair: VACANT** 

**Web Servant:** Good afternoon, I am an alcoholic, member of the Live Laugh Love Group, and my name is Evonne. grateful to be here today and serving as your Area 15 Webservant.

If you have visited the Area 15 website in the past couple of months, you may have noticed some changes. The first addition was a "What's New" section to the right-hand sidebar of the website. In this section, you may have noticed that we have a link called "Everything you need to know about the 74th General Service Conference". This links directly to the General Service Conference Agenda, background material, recordings of Area 15 Committee Chair presentations on the agenda items, and soon to be added, the Delegate Report Back Schedule. Please check back often.

The other exciting project that we completed just this past weekend was a new Seventh Tradition Contribution page. This page replaces the awkward button that we used before on the home page and Treasurer page, and it also clearly provides the 3 options that groups and individuals can use to make their contributions. Our Area 15 Treasurer, Karen V, sent a text to Donna and I just a short 24 hours after the new page was posted to let us know that she had already received five Zelle contributions! This is proof to me that the visibility and lack of clarity made a difference. Be on the lookout for the Officer pages to be updated next. We are planning to follow a template for each so that they will have a similar feel, but each have distinctive posts related to their position.

The survey results are finally in! Thank you to those who took the time to add to the results. These are posted on the Website Committee page of the Area 15 site.

A monthly technology-sharing session has sprouted out of the National AA Technology Workshop. It is set up as a sharing session where there is a different monthly topic and the presenters are us, the people who attend. This past month's session had 8 presenters who each gave a five-minute talk on a plug-in of their choice. I volunteered to present on our Area 15 Website calendar, "The Events Calendar". Other presentations were on plugins such as W egot, Meta Slider, Elementor, Quick Featured Image, Gravity Forms, WP Members, and Redirection. I printed some flyers for you to take with you in case you are able to work out your schedule so that you would be able to attend one in the future. The April Sharing Session will be all about Website Security. These flyers are also posted on the Website Committee page of the Area 15 website.

If you have any suggestions for the website or see anything that looks a little bit off, please reach out to one of us or fill out our website maintenance form that is located in the footer. We are open to suggestions. Looking forward to hearing what has kept you busy since the last time we met.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Evonne L.

Area 15 Webservant

**Web Secretary:** Hi! My name is Nancy H. I am an alcoholic. My home group is the Foxhall group which meets Friday night at 5:30 at Faith Lutheran Church in Lehigh Acres, FL. I apologize for the April 6, 2024 Quarterly committee meeting minutes being so late, due to technical problems and life, side-tracked me. Also, I will be unable to attend the Intra Quarterly Zoom Meeting on June 10, 2024.

In love and service,

Nancy H., Area 15 Web Secretary/Treasurer Panel 73 websecretary@area15aa.org

## **DISTRICT CHAIRS REPORTS**

NP = Not Present

**D1 Chair** – David G. – NP

**D2 Chair** – Chazz T. - NP

**D3** Chair – Brennan C. - I have been working with our committee chairs to update their webpages. A calendar for events and treatment commitments has been added. The website is currently running smoothly.

In love and service,

Brennen C.

**D4 Chair** – Chris M. - District 4 General Service Technology Committee Report April 2024

Last 30 days usage:

The biggest achievement to report is:

The Central Office and General Service Technology teams worked together to include subdistrict as part of the meeting guide data on aasrq.org and embedded in the interactive subdistricts map pages on dist4gsaa.org Home page and https://dist4gsaa.org/d4-sub-districts-dcm-acm-contacts/

The result is that we can now list meetings by subdistrict in both list and map views! This will be of great help to General Service DCMs and ACMs

Many thanks to Chris L and Evan F from the Central Office Technology team, and to Ron W and Chris M from the General Service Technology Team for their collaboration on this.

In aasrq.org/meetings, you can now change the search fields to list meetings by district. Under the "Everywhere" dropdown, you can click "Switch to Districts" like this:

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After that you can select the sub district. Keep in mind that "Any Day," "Any Time" and "Any Type" also need to be true as to not leave out any results.

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https://www.aasrq.org/meetings/?tsml-day=any&tsml-district=ol (online)

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https://www.aasrq.org/meetings/?tsml-day=any&tsml-district=91 (north of subdistrict 1) https://www.aasrq.org/meetings/?tsml-day=any&tsml-district=92 (south of subdistrict 12)

Best, Chris M D4 Technology Chair

**D5** Chair – Tom D. - NP

**D6** Chair – Bob T. – Hi, my name is Bob T. I'm an alcoholic serving as the District 6 Technology Committee chairperson. My sobriety date is June 6th, 2010, and my home group is the Living Sober Group in Hobe Sound.

Our committee has been treading water the last couple months, keeping up with our Literature Committee's recordings and Events announcements, but our to do list keeps growing.

For example, in January we reported having changed our name to the technology committee. Now in April, we still haven't changed our website to reflect that. Nor have we updated our contact page to list the contact pages of other Area 15 districts.

We also need to add content regarding our other responsibilities such as posting recordings, managing our YouTube channel and Hybrid Business meetings screenshare and chat scripts.

We are looking forward to presenting at the Area 15 Intra-quarterly website committee meeting regarding recordings, including consent, protecting anonymity, opinion disclaimers, and publishing terms of use to protect copyrights.

Thank you for your service

**D7** Chair – Sabine S. - My name is Sabine and I am an alcoholic. My homegroup is Southern Women in Fort Myers. I have the privilege of serving as the website committee chair for my district.

In the past quarter, we have not made any changes to the website. We have maintained and updated it with calendar updates, updating forwarders, and forms updates. At the last quarterly, we were intrigued to learn that some other districts are using google workspace for district communications instead of mail forwarders. As a result, we are exploring the option of applying for non-profit status to obtain the free access of google workspace and other benefits allowed to non-profits. We have submitted a motion that the district will discuss at our next district meeting.

In the future, we will continue to look at updating the website to a more current format but for now it remains reliable, fairly user friendly and useful.

In love and service,

Sabine S.

District 7 Website Committee Chair

**D8 Chair** – Callie S. – Verbal Report

**D9** Chair – Micah K. - NP

**D10 Chair** – Olivia R. - NP

**D12 Chair – Chris B. – NP** 

**OLD BUSINESS:** It was discussed what the topic would be for the June 10, 2024 Intra Quarterly zoom meeting being held at 6:00 pm. It was decided that district 6 will be presenting "regarding recordings, including consent, protecting anonymity, opinion disclaimers, and publishing terms of use to protect copyrights." (The quote was copied from D6 Bob T.'s report.)

**NEW BUSINESS:** Information will be on Area 15 Website Committee July's Quarterly Agenda.

**ADJOURN MEETING:** Meeting ended at 1:30 pm with the Responsibility Statement.