

**Area 54 Assembly Minutes**  
**October 16, 2016**

**Opening: Area Chairperson**

**Susan R.** Opened the Assembly with the Serenity Prayer. **Greg J.** read the **12 Traditions**, **Dawn J.** read the **12 Concepts**, **Dustin S.** discussed **Tradition 12** and **Marilyn H.** discussed **Concept 12**.

**Recording Secretary:**

**Tina C.**- Thank you for giving me this awesome opportunity to serve as your secretary it was an awesome experience. Looking forward to 2017. Explained the sign-in procedure for DCM's/Past DCM's, GSR's, Area Committee Chairs/Past Area Committee Chairs to **establish eligibility for elections**. There's 2-minute time limit for giving reports.

**Area Treasurer:**

**Shyrl B.**- Presented Treasurer's Report and financial Reports to date.

**Mailing Secretary:**

**Ron O.**- May I say it's been an honor and privilege to serve you these last two years. Next folding party is December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 1pm at the Paradise Club in Akron Ohio.

**Registrar Jim S.**- No report

**AA Anniversaries recognized Finance Committee hand out Birthday Plan envelopes**  
**Introduction of New GSR's and Introduction of New DCM's**

**Committee Reports:**

**Tim H. -Grapevine** – Holding sales today and at Gratitude Sunday. Most stories in the 4<sup>th</sup> edition Big Book came from the Grapevine.

**David W.- Literature** - Thanks for this opportunity it was a wonderful experience. I'm all ready for gratitude Sunday.

**Mary Ann K.-CPC**- It's been an honor and privilege to serve as the CPC Chair. Being of service to AA enriches my sobriety.

**Mike S. Treatment**- Been making a lot of Bridging the Gap calls. I've been meeting with Akron's committee. Speaking with another fellowship in Akron regarding a treatment center in Akron opening and the importance of meeting with the staff and explain the fellowships we represent and the importance of their clients respect the traditions of the fellowships they attend. Plan to visit many locations in the upcoming weeks.

**Marilyn H. Corrections**- It's been a privilege to be your corrections chair and looking forward to what 2017 brings for me and us as an AREA.

**Dawn J. Finance Chair**- Submitted a story to the recorder on my first St. Convention and presentation

as finance chair. I utilize the information the delegate brought back from the General Service Conference.

**Area DCM Reports:**

**Dist.11 DCM Val D.**- Helping district with the spiritual workshop in December and finally got to finish up open house stuff Dave said groups are beginning to send in small contributions.

**Dist.31 DCM Karen S.**- Discussion around comments at comment meeting after lead. Groups planning to do their donations prior to the end of 2016.

**Dist. DCM Glen**- trying to increase the number of service members. Many anniversary's coming up in the district. We are fluent now. Would like more ideas on how to get the word out of the importance of service work.

**Dist. 10 DCM Rea R**- A newsletter is in the works scheduled for end of November. Planning to update meetings schedules after elections. Elections had to be postponed till November. Planning winter workshop theme Spirituality vs Religion.

**Dist.13 DCM Gary C.**- Getting out to groups to get more GSR's we have 26 meetings in our district. We are having a Halloween party / GSR recruitment finances are good but only a few donate.

**Dist.34 DCM TeLatha E.**- Visit more groups in Homegroup anniversary. Visited groups and left them know money has been paid.

**Dist.3 DCM Dustin S**- Elections, New Chair is Vincent W. Working on stimulating involvement in districts and educating groups about General Service work. Only two dark districts left out of 7.

**Dual Dist. 23-39- DCM Tim H**- We held elections today new DCM in Dist. 23 John M and I'm the new DCM for Dist.39 and New Secretary is Dawn O AND Corrections Chair is Bill R. 8 GSR's attended.

**Intergroup Reports:**

**Jesse H.- Cleveland North Coast Multi Dist.-** Looked at service manual questions 14,16,17 Concept 9 and Tradition 9 Dawn J did her treasurer report and I gave the chairman's report GSR's and DCM's reported as well. Our workshop covered the 3<sup>rd</sup> Legacy procedure and a Skit.

**Tim H.- Ashtabula Area Intergroup**- We're doing good. We sell conference approved literature and sobriety merchandise. We have a 24hr. hotline.

**Old Business: Ad Hoc Committee on Alternate Panel Positions**-Tabled till January 2017 meeting.

**New Business:**

**Election results- Delegate nominees were:** Jamie B., Susan R. and Ron O. went 2 rounds Ron O. withdrew then 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> rounds no majority with 5<sup>th</sup> round draw from the hat with Jamie B. winning.

**Alternate Delegate nominees were:** Shyrl B., Ron O. and Greg J. went 2 rounds Ron O. withdrew then 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> rounds with no majority 5<sup>th</sup> round drawn from hat with Shyrl B. winning.

**Chairperson nominees were:** Tina C., Ron O. and Tim H. went 2 rounds Ron O. withdrew 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> no majority 5<sup>th</sup> drawn from the hat Tina C. winning.

**Treasurer nominees were:** Dawn J. and Rea R. no majority before 2<sup>nd</sup> round voting Rea R. withdrew naming Dawn J. winner.

**Secretary nominees were:** Rea R., Marilyn H. went one ballot with Rea R. the winner

**Mailing Secretary nominee was:** Dustin S. and was unopposed unanimously elected the winner.

**Themes of the General Service Conference:**

Winning theme: Service is not a Secret

**Topics and Presentation Topics:**

Willingness a sense of duty

Am I doing my Job

Secret Service Manual

Service work keeps you Sober

**Presentation Topics are:**

Getting others Involved

Saying yes Always

Bringing you to Service through Sponsorship

If accused of being an AA member, is their enough evidence to convict you?

**Meeting adjourned followed by the Responsibility Pledge and the Lord's Prayer.**