

District 7 – Southwest TX Area 68
Meeting Date 2/15/2025 – Meeting Location: For Sinners Only -
Final

Welcome - Opened Meeting 9:30 am:

- Philip S. (GSR, For Sinners Only) led the moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer

Spotlight Presentation: Leadership in AA: Ever a Vital Need

- Leadership in AA: Ever a Vital Need (Joe C., Alt DCM, For Sinners Only) ○ Reviewed Bill W.'s essay on leadership found in Concept IX in Service Manual (p. C-29) ○ Pamphlet provided **The Twelve Traditions Illustrated** ○ Important to participate as groups are in charge

Secretary (Pam J., For Sinners Only)

- **Minutes 2/14/2024 Meeting** (*recorded by DCM*) ○ Questions: none ○ Corrections: none
 - Motion to approve by Joe C. (Alt DCM, For Sinners Only) 2nd Ben E. (GSR Hope Group) ○
Minutes approved as presented

Treasurer (Jordan B., For Sinners Only)

- Moving to reporting based on the actual Bank Account Cycle for true reconciliation with bank account ○ District banking cycle is approximately mid-month to mid-month
- Bank Starting Balance (12/17/2024): \$4,495.70 ○ Total Contributions: \$313.49 ○ Total Expenses: none
 - Closing Balance (01/16/2025): \$4,809.39 ○ Corrections: none
 - Motion to approve by Pat K., (GSR Burning Desire) 2nd Ben E., (GSR Hope Group) ○ **Treasury Report Approved as presented**

DCM (Tahtianna F., Back to Basics)

- Reference full reports/updates emailed and printed
- Two online sessions scheduled to walk through a few of the agenda items; Q&A ○ 3/2/2025 at 6:30 pm and/or 3/10/2025 – All Members Welcome
 - 75th General Service Conference
- Timeline reviewed for upcoming final agenda items and background materials
 - SWTA 68 Pre-General Conference Assembly – Laredo – 3/28-30/2025
- 2 motions to amend SWTA Service Structure and Procedures
- 2 PAIs to forward to GSO
- Area treasurer requested groups to include current ID numbers on checks when sending contributions to Area ○ Group ID numbers changed when GSO changed to new database. ○ District treasurer's report contain new group ID numbers
- GSRs encouraged to ask their groups what sharing sessions or workshops they would like to see District 7 support in hosting for 2025

GSR Reports – DCM requested GSRs to report only important updates due to time constraints

- Burning Desire: Patrick K (GSR) - Present
- For Sinners Only: Phillip S (GSR) - Present
- Golden Slippers: Phillip V (GSR) ○ Group will meet at Lady of Victory Annex (off Mesquite) for the next two weeks (2/22/2024 and 3/1/2024)
- Hallettsville: (Everett B (GSR) – Brian J (Alt GSR) present
- Hope: Ben E (GSR) - Present

- Port Lavaca: John M (GSR) – Chipper D (Alt GSR) present
- Port O’ Connor Fellowship (Does not have a GSR) – Cindy B (contact only) present

Additional registered AA Groups in District 7 not present at meeting

- GSR listed: High Nooners, Main Stream, Unity, Victoria Women’s
- No GSR listed: Back to Basics, Flatonia, Open Arms, Karnes City, Moulton, Nixon Town AA, North Loop

Standing Service Committee Reports:

- Intergroup Liaison (Craig D, Hope Group) – Not present
- Public Information/Cooperation w/ the Professional Community (Manual L, Mainstream) ○ Committee meeting held 2/8/2025
 - Initial contact made with parole and probation. Formal meeting to follow ○ Follow-up with library and DeTar made regarding literature needs ○ PSAs being shown, no issues
 - Committee considering switching them up or adding more
- Treatment (Michael D, Mainstream) ○ Committee meeting held 2/8/2025 ○ Two meetings held at Promise Point
 - First Friday of the month at 6:00pm, next meeting 3/7/2025
 - 4-5 volunteers signed up ○ Sober Dome going through transition ○ Billy T Cattan – meeting every 3 months
 - Contact Michael if want to volunteer
 - Gulf Bend reaching out, Michael to follow-up

Unfinished Business:

- **Open Service Positions:**
 - **Corrections Chair** ○ **Grapevine/LaVina Chair**
 - **Website Chair** – DCM reported that Dave H. is helping with maintaining/updating the website but unable to serve as chair

New Business:

- SWTA 68 business proposals (emailed and printed) ○ Add or amend “Service Structure and Procedures for the Southwest Texas Area Assembly Manual”
 - Motion 1 – VIII. Process for presenting the Southwest Texas Area 68 a General Service Conference (GSC) Proposed Agenda Item (PAI) with the intent of seeking Area 68 support
- Final vote if to adopt the change
 - Motion 2 –Section IV, Part B “Area”, item 2 “At the October meeting of each odd year, the Area Assembly will hold elections for Area Delegate, Alternate Area Delegate, Area Chairperson, Alternate Chairperson, Area Secretary, Area Treasurer and Area Registrar
- Simple majority vote to forward to groups
 - PAIs looking for Area support to forward to GSO
 - Restructure the General Service Board from 7 non-alcoholics to 4 non-alcoholics and from 2 Trustees-at-Large to 4 Trustees-at-Large
 - Create a Conference International Secondary Committee to correspond to the International Trustees Committee
 - DCM will be available online to review 3/2/2025 at 6:30pm and/or 3/10/2025 at 7:00pm

Other non-formal motion items

- **District 7 – Inventory Recommendations**
 - District Night Out – 2nd Wednesday of every month at 6:00pm at Denny’s in Victoria

- DCM and Alt DCM only members present
- All AA members welcome, we will have open sharing on any topics desired from our 3 legacies
- Will meet again on 3/11/2025 ○ Ad Hoc Committee created to review potential change recommendations of the District 7 Policies and Procedures document
- Will meet via Zoom
- Joe C (Alt DCM, For Sinners Only), Manual L (PI/CPC chair, Mainstream), Jordan B (Treasurer, For Sinners Only), Chipper D (Alt GSR Port Lavaca) volunteered to serve on Ad Hoc Committee
- DCM will send email to GSRs seeking additional members to serve and need for someone to chair the committee

Adjourn at: 11:32 am and closed with the responsibility statement

Next District Meeting: 4/19/2025 – Mainstream – St Francis, 3002 Miori Lane, Victoria – **Note time 9:00am – 11:00am**