

District #53 Meeting Minutes  
June 10, 2014  
St. Luke's United Methodist Church

**Members Attending**

Steve R., DCM Treatment Chair	Heather S., Special Needs Chair	Gary K.,
Mark T., Treasurer	Cathy B., GSR 86	Ron M., Secretary
Justin K., Grapevine Chair	Jen I., GSR 719	Eric N., Visitor
John M., GSR 70/965 170	Maureen L., GSR 144	Julie L. GSR
Ruth T., GSR 414 47	Mike B., Probation & Parole	Tim H., Panel
Gene B., GSR 17		

Opened meeting with Serenity Prayer  
Read Step 6, Tradition 6, Concept 6

**Secretary's Report-** Ron M. read the minutes; a motion to approve was made and seconded; minutes were approved as read.

**Treasurers Report-** Mark T. reported a balance of \$2,282.49. This balance is comprised of the district operating fund totaling \$1,910.49 and the Motorcycle Rally fund totaling \$343.00. Gary K. requested \$50.00 to purchase sobriety coins for the Veterans in treatment at JB. A motion to fund this purchase from the Motorcycle Rally fund was made, seconded and passed. Cathy B. said that Group 86's contribution to the district would cover the cost of fruit purchased for Sunny & Sober. A motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made and seconded; the report was approved as presented.

**DCM Sharing:** Steve visited a number of Groups to thank them for their participation and to talk up Sunny & Sober, including 70, 86, 106 120 414, 719, 761, 940, 965, and 983. Steve researched the question posed at the May meeting as to whether a member from another District could serve as a Committee Chair in this district. Steve found nothing in the Service Manual which would prohibit a member from another district being voted to or appointed to a District 53 service position.

**GSR Sharing**

Ruth T., GSR 414- The group is holding steady with 15 members in attendance.

Cathy B., GSR 86 –The table configuration for the meeting has been agreed upon and finalized. Last Wednesday was a special meeting when five long time members announced and celebrated sobriety anniversaries.

John M., GSR 70- Up to 8 members attend. A long time homegroup member, John R., passed away and will be missed. John M. is currently organizing the annual group picnic.

Maureen L., GSR 144- Group contributed a hearing-impaired fund donation. The group is seeking a new meeting location, because Holy Trinity Church is being scheduled for demolition. There was a recommendation that the new location be handicap accessible.

Julie L., GSR 170- The group is attracting newcomers and we are very welcoming.

Gene B., GSR 17 – The group is doing well. The veterans are attracted to our meetings, and it is not unusual to have 15-20 attend the non-mandatory meetings on Friday and Sunday.

Jennifer I., GSR 719 – A handful of newcomers seem to be attending each week. The group appointed a Grapevine representative.

Mike B., Alt. GSR 120 – The format has been changed to include a 20-minute meditation when the meeting topic is Step 11.

### **Committee Chair Sharing:**

Gary K., Treatment Chair- Expressed his appreciation for support received from the district and groups. He continues to listen and learn as he grows more comfortable in his service position.

Justin K., Grapevine Chair – Justin and Chuck H. (Area Grapevine Chair) requested that Grapevine be one of the service topics at the Fall Pot luck. Justin encouraged GSRs to ensure that groups elect a Grapevine Rep. He also asked us to spread the word about LaVina, the Spanish language publication.

Richard S., CPC Chair – He has scheduled a presentation to school counselors at the Mehlville School District.

Heather S., Special Needs Chair – Nothing to report at this time.

### **Old Business**

- Sunny and Sober debriefing – The meeting was well attended and included 25-30 Veterans bussed over from JB. Our two speakers, Bob and Tracy B., were excellent and inspiring. Food and drink supplies were sufficient.
- Delegate Report: Will take place in St. Luke's Fellowship Hall on June 21. Districts 51, 52, and 53 will attend and share the costs, estimated at about \$25.00 per district. Steve encouraged the GSR's to talk this up at their meetings.
- Fall Service Workshop and Potluck – Steve said that November 8 has been booked for the workshop. There was no report from the planning committee.

### **New Business:**

- District sponsorship of "Soberfest" and the "New Year's Eve Bash" – Neither Bob nor Glenn were in attendance so discussion was tabled until the July meeting.
- Mike B. discussed the importance of supporting the upcoming State Convention through our attendance.

**Close with the Responsibility Statement**