Unity Business Meeting
Minutes for October 14, 2026

In person attendees: Kristin, Chrys, Shannon, Layton, David, Casey, Erin, Sara, Franklin, Summer, Bailey, David, Jenna, Dani, Kristin, Arthur, Gabe

Zoom attendees: Lindaloo, Christina, Susan, Jill

7:10

Welcome - Open with Serenity Prayer

Housekeeping

- Do we have a quorum? Yes.
- Bailey needs to be added to the trusted servants group chat.

New Business

- Yearly Spending
  - Kristin reviewed a handout showing the **Unity YTD 2026** breakdown of expenses and intake in addition to averages for the first three quarters. She also presented a **Unity Cash Flow Quarters 2 & 3** handout. This document showed our "EOM (end of month) Balance" which comes from bank statements and the "Balance After Drop" which is the account balance after each month's deposit.
  - Kristin would like to begin a conversation about how best to steward our extra funds in line with AA traditions.
  - It was reported that since August of 2025, the Prudent Reserve has been set at $3500. Should our Prudent Reserve be changed to 2-3 months rent? OR 2-3 months of all expenses?
  - Context was provided on how our Prudent Reserve situation got to where it is now, including the period in 2024 where the Prudent Reserve was depleted and a large expense was required. Discussion ensued regarding the importance of maintaining an adequate Prudent Reserve and the need to determine what that amount should be.
    - **A motion is made that we change our Prudent Reserve to be 2 months rent plus expenses (currently $8000)**
    - **After a vote, the motion is rescinded.**
  - New information was provided from a 2024 group conscience announcement that reads: *"Coffee service will resume at a cap of $500/month. Parties will be planned and funded through Unity's operating budget. We will pass a separate basket to rebuild our Prudent Reserve to $5000. Unity's Prudent Reserve is our emergency fund to cover operating expenses for two months. All contributions collected will go to the Prudent Reserve."* It was suggested that the 2024 Group Conscience trumps any vote we would have tonight.
    - **A motion to hold a new group conscience to determine a new Prudent Reserve amount sometime mid November with three weeks notice given to the group is made by Casey.**
    - **The motion fails.**
    - **The issue is tabled.**

- Login credentials
    - Jill reports the Unity AA login document is close to completion. Access will be limited to specific trusted servants. Will work with the Treasurer to finish.
- New Leader Orientation
    - Not planned yet.
- Party playlist / Thanksgiving
- Purchasing coin /literature
- Service structure workshop
        - **A motion is made to give $250 to Sara so they can organize a service structure workshop.**
        - **The motion passes.**
- Gratitude Month (November)
    - Franklin proposes for gratitude month we contribute to the 2027 Southwest Regional Forum instead of collecting for Central Office. The event will need $7000 in seed money.
    - Discussion about Central Office counting on those annual extra donations ensued.
        - **Franklin motions that our gratitude month basket is donated to the 2027 southwest forum as opposed to our usual donation to Central Office.**
        - **After a vote, the motion is rescinded and will be reintroduced at the next business meeting.**
- Quarterly Fellowship Workshop
    - Shannon presented a handout with details for a **quarterly fellowship workshop**.
    - It was suggested we review the handout and revisit the issue at our next business meeting.
- Elections next month for the following positions:
    - Chairperson, General Service Representative (GSR), Alternate GSR, Central Office Delegate, Treatment and Corrections Representative, Grapevine Representative, Accessibility Coordinator and Event Coordinator.
    - Next business meeting will be in classroom D.

Committee Reports

Treasurer's Report - Kristin F.

- Presentation of yearly spending documents in New Business

Webmaster - Jill D.

- Website is up to date.

Meeting Leader Leader - Shannon M.

- No updates.

Events - Chris H.

- Not present.

Literature - Dani O.

- Will continue purchasing literature and coins from our local Central Office.

GSR - Sara P.

- The biggest things to report are the elections at the area and district, most importantly, where there is still a need for service.
- At the area level, there are a ton of tech liaison and secretary positions needed. You don't need a ton of service experience or time to hold these positions and you do not need to stay overnight. There is also Tech Committee Chair available, which requires 2 years sobriety. As for the other positions, alt became mains, others became alts, voting took 6hrs and it was still not the worst Sunday I've ever experienced.
- At the district level, available positions include: altsecretary, t&c chair, btg chair and accessibilities chair. I'm not sure of the sobriety requirements for these, but if you are interested, you can talk to me and go to the upcoming district meeting this Sunday.
- Other important news, if you haven't already heard, the 5th edition big book will be available next February for $20 and it will have a dust jacket.
- The district archivist is looking to conduct oral histories with old timers and has asked to get in touch with anyone who has 40 yrs (I suggested less time, but the goal is 40)
- I'm still planning on having a service structure info meeting on either 10/23 or 10/24.
- And an AA service PSA just because you don't hold positions at either district or area, does not mean you cannot attend district or area. They are great places to brainstorm ideas for the group or your committee, and you can participate as much as you are able, especially at the area level.

Alt GSR - Gabe C.

- No updates.

The following committee reports will be given first at our next business meeting:

Archivist - Susan H.

T&C - Arthur H.

Grapevine - Christina K.

Central Office - Chrys S.

Accessibility

Close with the Responsibility Statement

Meeting Handouts:

- **Unity YTD 2026**
- **Unity Cash Flow Quarters 2 & 3**
- **Quarterly Fellowship Workshop**