

# Minutes of the GSR & District 01 Committee Chair Meeting May 11, 2017

Held at the Central Office, 1270 Main St., Suite 102, Green Bay, WI

## **Attendance:**

Bruce K.	DCM
Debbie P.	Web Master
Jennifer A.	Alternate DCM
Laurie M.	Corrections co-Chair
Lloyd Z.	District Events co-Chair
Patrick H.	Treasurer
Paul K.	PI Chair
Ronald M.	Newsletter Editor
Theresa D.	District 01 Secretary

## **GSR's:**

Andrew C., Fishermen's Paradise, 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, St. John the Baptist  
Donna Y. GSR, Letting Go, 1:00 pm, Thursday, 218 Club  
Henrietta D. GSR, Walk with Us, 9:30 am, Thursday, The Bridge room 2  
James R. GSR, Early Birds, 7:30 a.m., Sunday, 218 Club  
Jill V., GSR, Women in the Present, 7:00 pm, Thursday, St. Norbert Abbey  
John S., GSR, The Third Tradition Group, 6:00 p.m., Thursday, Goodwill, Mason St.  
Matt B. GSR, Flintville Early Risers, 8:00 am, Saturday, St. Edward & Isidore, Flintville  
Rena S., Alt. GSR, Women in the Present, 7:00 pm, Thursday, St. Norbert Abbey  
Sue C. GSR, Sisters in Sobriety, 1:00 pm, Tuesday, 218 Club  
Tamra D. GSR, Eye Opener, 10:00 a.m. Saturday, St. Matthew's Church  
Theresa D., alt GSR, Serenity Now, Noon, Mon-Wed-Fri, Calvary Lutheran Church  
Tim D., GSR, Promise Seekers, 9:00 a.m., Friday, Resurrection Lutheran Church  
Tim J., GSR, Road to Recovery, 5:30 pm, Monday, 218 Club

**VISITORS:** James H., Area Treatment Chair

## **Opening:**

At 6:30 pm, with Bruce K. presiding at alternate DCM, the meeting came to order during a moment of Silence and was followed by the Serenity Prayer. Readings of the Seventh Tradition, the Twelve Traditions, the Responsibility Statement and the Meeting Reminders were heard.

### **GSR Reports:**

**Sisters in Sobriety, Sue C.** Going well.

**Flintville Early Risers, Matt B.** At their business meeting, the group was in favor of the pamphlet "Safety and AA: Our Common Welfare". The group questioned the appropriateness of having bingo/prizes on the bus trip.

**Women in the Present, Jill V.** Going great ... lots of newcomers. They voted no with regard to the pamphlet "Safety and AA: Our Common Welfare".

**Road to Recovery, Tim J.** All is going well.

**Letting Go, Donna Y.** Doing well, continues to grow.

**Promise Seekers, Tim D.** The Promise Seekers group is still growing and active. They have reached a group conscience of yes to having the GSO print a pamphlet about "Safety and A.A." We typically have attendance of 24-30. A year ago the average attendance was 8-12.

**The Third Tradition Group, John S.** New Group starting out, going well.

**Walk with Us, Henrietta D.** The meetings are well attended and doing fine. Last month we were able to donate \$100 to the New York office of Alcoholics Anonymous. This month we voted to donate \$100 to the AA Green Bay Central Office. With regard to the brochure "Safety and AA: Our Common Welfare" the vote was 12 yes and 5 no.

**Early Birds, James R.** Going well.

**St. Matthew's, Tamra D.** Doing well.

**Fishermen's Paradise, Andrew C.** This was Andrew's first meeting as the new GSR for the group, replacing Tim S.

**Serenity Now, Theresa D.** The group held a business meeting and contributions were made to our usual entities. Robert agreed to coordinate our supplying of a Wednesday night speaker to our scheduled slot at the 218 Club. The group voted on and agreed to purchase a Brewer ticket for the upcoming bus trip and did provide it to a member of our group.

**Coming Events:** Read by Lloyd Z. from the May, 2017 Communicator.

### **Committee Reports:**

**DCM, Bruce K.** Hope everyone is doing well. Looking forward to the Spring Conference in Munising on May 19-21. Please try to attend.

There are a few items I would like to suggest we complete by Jan. 2018:

- 1) A committee started consisting of AA Group Grapevine chairs. Meet monthly.
- 2) Mission Statement for district bylaws. What is our purpose?
- 3) A DCM in place for the next 2 years.
- 4) Increase GSR attendees at the District meeting by 30%.

Let's try to discuss in new business if time allows.

Thanks, Bruce K., DCM District 01

**Secretary, Theresa D.** The April 13, 2017 minutes were reviewed by those present. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes. The motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report, Patrick H.** Prepared for the May 11, 2017 Meeting

Starting Balance as of 4/1/2017	4,658.68
<b>Deposits</b>	
Sisters in Sobriety	22.90
Flintville Early Risers	180.00
Letting Go	22.59
Brewer Bus	<u>605.00</u>
<b>Total Deposits:</b>	<b>833.40</b>
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>5,492.08</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Newsletter	232.72
CPC - Pamphlets	98.40
Brewer's Bus	976.30
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>1,307.42</b>
Ending Balance April 30, 2017	4,184.66
Prudent Reserve	-1,300.00
<b>Total Funds Available</b>	<b>2,884.66</b>

A motion was made and seconded to accept the April, 2017 Treasurer's Report. Motion passed.

**Old Business:** Matt B. again stressed the need for GSRs to keep informing their groups about the AA website -- it should be used to access The Communicator Newsletter, the meeting list, future events and much more via the "Links" page. It was suggested that when handing a newcomer a meeting list, it be emphasized that it can be found on the AA website.

Deb P., Webmaster, added that more people than we realize do access the website -- we do get a lot of traffic.

The standing of our District 01 as not having a status, such as that of a not-for-profit was again discussed. It doesn't make sense to change our status given that we don't own or sell anything. A motion was made, seconded and passed that we no longer pursue this avenue.

**New Business:** Bruce K., DCM, is looking for feedback regarding completing a Mission Statement for District 01. Also the question was posed as to how do we increase GSR attendance at the monthly District meetings. Also, would like to see each AA group have a Grapevine chairperson who would attend monthly meetings.

The advantages of having more GSR's attending the Central Office monthly meetings was also discussed. That meeting is the last Tuesday of the month.

James H, the Area Treatment Chair, would like to discuss the topic of "special needs" concerns in our treatment centers. This topic was tabled until the meeting in June.

**Corrections, Laurie M., co-Chair.** A training session took place last week. One attended. There is a **desperate need** for volunteers to conduct the women's jail meetings.

**Webmaster, Debbie P., Chair.** Nothing new to report. Everything is going well.

**District Events, Co-Chair/Lloyd Z.** A bus to the Brewer's game on June 8th was discussed. There are 48 seats available -- there are approximately 10 seats remaining. With regard to the issue regarding bingo on the bus, it was pointed out there that cash is not involved, only prizes awarded. Bring a chair for a tailgate party in the parking lot prior to the game.

**Bridging the Gap, Christina M.** I am sorry I could not make it to this evening's district meeting. I had a banquet to attend. Everything is still going fine. Lately, I haven't had any bridging the gap requests. I was busy assigning people to letter writing in the beginning of my term. I just want to encourage people that are going into the jail meetings to let the inmates know that Bridging the Gap is available to them. I know I encourage it when I go into the jail.

Yours In Service,  
Christina M., District 01 Bridging the Gap Chair

**Public Information Chair, Paul K.** Is in the process of distributing newly-purchased pamphlets.

**Newsletter, Ronald M.** Nothing new to report.

**Adjourned:** At 7:35 pm by a motion made, seconded and passed. The meeting was closed with The Our Father.

Minutes submitted by Theresa D., Secretary, District 01