

Minutes of the GSR & District 01 Committee Chair Meeting October 12, 2017

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

Attendance:

Amy G.	CPC Chair
Bruce K.	DCM
Debbie P.	Web Master
Jennifer A.	Alternate DCM
Lloyd Z.	District Events co-Chair
Mary B.	Grapevine Chair
Paul K.	PI Chair
Ronald M.	Newsletter Editor
Sean S.	Corrections co-Chair
Tamra D.	District Events co-Chair
Theresa D.	District 01 Secretary

GSR's:

Gary M, It's in the Book. 7:30 p.m. DC/DC Divine Center
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
Kelly K., GSR, Serenity Now, Noon, Mon-Wed-Fri, Calvary Lutheran Church
Mary B., Alt-GSR, Letting Go, 1:00 pm, Thursday, 218 Club
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
Violet B., Alt-GSR, Sisters in Sobriety, 1:00 pm, Tuesday, 218 Club
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
Tim D., GSR, Promise Seekers, 9:00 a.m., Friday, Resurrection Lutheran Church

VISITORS: Joe H.

Opening:

At 6:30 pm, with Jennifer A. 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. Well attended, going great.

Flintville Early Risers, Matt B. They are having a AA/Alanon/Ala-teen discussion panel called "AA Recovery - A Family Affair" on November 4th from 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Women in the Present, Jill V. Going good. They are voting to decide that if the group is larger than 20 if they should be split off to smaller groups. The group is interested in covering Hospitality for Friday evening at the upcoming 2018 Spring Conference.

DC/DC Divine Center, Gary M. Going well.

Promise Seekers, Tim D. Attendance has been great. Are interested in working with Hospitality for the 2018 Spring Conference. Group elections are on deck.

Promise Seekers, Tim D. Everything is going great.

Walk with Us, Henrietta D. The meetings are well attended and doing fine.

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

Early Birds, James R. "Swell" !

Serenity Now, Kelly K. Going well.

Letting Go, Mary B. Attendance is good and the meetings are going well.

Committee Reports: Alt-DCM, Jennifer A. I was pleased to be able to attend the Area 74 fall conference in Eau Claire last month. Our district was respectfully represented by several GSR's & Board members who took part in the voting privilege to elect new Area officers. I have a copy of those elected if anyone would like to see I learned a great deal more on how the Area functions and I feel lucky to have participated. Some of the things I learned are as follows:

-- Despite our frustrations about the apathy we feel in our district, we are doing quite well. Most districts in MI were not present. District 03 has one GSR & a DCM period. In District 09 no one stepped up at elections, the Treasurer agreed to stay on in position. District 13 has four active members. District 21 stated that they "don't have elections, only volunteer's." I don't report this to shame other districts. I just wish to keep our frustration in perspective. My highest respect goes out to the members of those Districts who doggedly work their positions so AA can continue to serve alcoholics in those parts of the state.

--Also, the Area is in need of more cash flow; please ask your groups to cut them a larger check at your next disbursement.

--And finally, the Area would like to tighten up an accurate account of registered groups. In Loving Service, Jennifer A.

Secretary, Theresa D. The September 2017 minutes were reviewed by those present. It was noted that the Treasurer's Report should read that they were prepared for the September, 2017 meeting and not August, 2017. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report, Patrick H. Prepared for the October, 2017 Meeting

Starting Balance as of 9/1/2017	5,501.83
Deposits	
Never on Sunday	150.00
Early Birds	125.00
Total Deposits:	275.00

Subtotal:	5,776.83
Expenses - none	
Ending Balance September 30, 2017	5,776.83
Prudent Reserve	-1,300.00
Total Funds Available	4,476.83

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

Old Business: Jennifer A. encouraged the GSR's to remind their groups of the upcoming "Panel Service Structure of AA" to be held this Saturday and also to announce it at meetings that do not have a GSR.

Preparations are still ongoing for the District 1 "Intergroup Celebration" to be held on Sat., Jan. 20, 2018 at Redeemer Lutheran Church. A handout was provided at September's District 01 meeting to the GSR's to circulate at their meetings seeking individuals to sign up for the various tasks involved in organizing such an event.

New Business: Joe H. was nominated for and accepted the Chair for Accessibility. Thank you, Joe !!!! Kelly K. will provide him with the information she has in her possession.

A motion was made, seconded and passed that Jennifer A., alt-DCM, will be reimbursed by the District for 50% of the cost for her attendance at the recent conference in Eau Claire. The Flintville Early Risers Group contributed the initial 50%.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to change the month of the annual elections to the District meeting in November.

Upcoming elections were discussed. The term of an elected Chair is 2 years. Matt B. is under consideration to become the new DCM. Those individuals who have indicated that they are willing to stay on for an addition term are: Patrick H. (Treasurer); Theresa D. (Secretary); Amy G (CPC); Deb P. (Webmaster); Ronald M. (Newsletter); Tamra D. (co-Chair, Events). Bill D. (Archives) and Mary B. (Grapevine) have been newly elected and will remain for the new term. Positions available include Alt-DCM, the Public Information Chair, and co-Chairs for both men and women's Corrections. The Bridging the Gap Chair was open, but interest from a potential candidate was noted.

Regarding the upcoming 2018 Spring Conference, Bill D. (Conference Hospitality Chair) provided handouts to be circulated showing time slots where hospitality volunteers are needed. Two of the eight slots have been filled.

Jill V. indicated that GSR's should take donation baskets from the Central Office for circulation in November -- "Gratitude Month."

A handout from Central Office was circulated stating their projected new hours and looking for volunteers. The new hours would be: M, W, F: 10 am-5pm; T, TH: Noon to 6:30pm and Sat: 10am-1pm.

Corrections, Sean S., co-Chair. There is an ongoing need for men to conduct the jail meetings. He has a candidate for the men's co-Chair position for Corrections for the upcoming 2-year term. The person is from Menasha and not in District 01, but Sean has checked the by-laws and did not see anything that might prevent this from happening.

Webmaster, Debbie P., Chair. Everything is going well. Monthly Statistics for September 2017: Total Hits **137,591** ; Total Files **41,155**; Total Pages **24,386** Total Visits **9,924** ; Total KBytes **27008**

District Events, Co-Chair/Tamra D.

1. Checking account is set up with \$1000 seed money. We are able to utilize checks and Debit Card
2. Online registration is up and running. still a few questions to iron out about how the money is deposited into the account – updated registration forms are now available
3. A new logo was created and Posters were made and will be printed for distribution to other



districts along with registration forms.

4. The Eau Claire conference passed on lots of hospitality stuff for us..cups, coffee, plastic silver ware, napkins etc. A schedule for food donations and shifts was created and it is reported groups are eager to donate food and fill the time slots
5. A tentative schedule for panels was created. Topics to include will be: Spiritual Diversity, Anonymity and Social Media, Sexual Overhauling, Can we really have fun..Sober? New comer Q&A, Making amends/forgiveness, Gods Will versus My Will, love and tolerance of myself. We are hoping to involve some of the Oneidas on the panels since they are dealing with an overwhelming problem with addiction right now.
6. Skit will be repeated from 2015 conference - all people are reported to be involved and will start practicing soon
7. We still need the following Chairpersons: Entertainment, Panel Coordinator, Greeter and also the online registration person would like to step down..is willing to stay on until someone comes forward and gets trained

8. Grapevine, Literature and Archives will be combined and materials have been ordered
9. All main speakers are secured – Sara P the new delegate on Friday(Derek T will introduce) , Jeff C on Saturday night(Kimberly S will introduce) and Jeff G (Judy G will introduce) on Sunday morning

Jill V., co-Chair for the Spring Conference provided a sign-up sheet to the GSR's soliciting nominations for individuals to speak on the panel topics that have been selected.

Jennifer A. said that she may have found an Alanon speaker for Saturday afternoon. Violet B. said that she would be interested in coordinating with the Oneidas to perhaps open the Conference with a prayers/blessing in accordance with their Native American customs.

Public Information Chair, Paul K. Nothing new to report.

Cooperation with the Professional Community, Amy G. Nothing new to report.

Newsletter, Ronald M. Color copies were made of the flyer, "Love and Tolerance" for the 2108 Spring Conference. The invoice will be submitted to the Treasurer on the Conference Committee, Dan G., for reimbursement.

Grapevine, Mary. B. My goal is to increase Grapevine subscriptions with individuals and in the groups of District 01, and to have a Grapevine Representative in as many groups as possible. That is part of my duties.

So far, Sunday 7:30am Early Birds in Back Room at the 218 Club gets 8 subscriptions. One comes to the meeting, and 7 goes to each of the libraries in the Green Bay vicinity. Bill L. is the Grapevine Representative of that meeting.

Also, Sunday 7:30am Early Birds in Front Room at the 218 Club now has a Grapevine Representative, Bill D. Their magazine subscription is pending.

And, Monday 8:30am Big Book Group at the 218 Club now has a Grapevine Representative, Tim T, and has a magazine subscription on order. Tim plans to give a short report when it comes in, and pass it around for members to take turns reading then pass it on to corrections.

I have one person, Bill D, on my committee so far.

Mary B – District 01, Area 74, Grapevine Chairperson

Archives, Bill D. He will be setting up the Archives display at the 2018 Spring Conference. He plans on scheduling time with Bruce K. in order be updated on the current status of archives and to coordinate the scheduling of the monthly conference call. He has been reading online the AA guidelines related to this position.

Adjourned: At 7:40 pm by a motion made, seconded and passed. The meeting was closed with The Serenity Prayer.

Minutes submitted by Theresa D., Secretary, District 01