

Minutes of the GSR & District 01 Committee Chair Meeting January 11, 2018

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

Attendance:

Adam B.	Men's Corrections Chair
Amy G.	CPC Chair
Bill D.	Archives Chair
Debbie P.	Web Master
Lloyd Z.	District Events co-Chair
Marian K.	Bridging the Gap
Mary B.	Grapevine Chair
Matt B.	DCM
Patrick H.	Treasurer
Ronald M.	Newsletter Editor
Tamra D.	District Events co-Chair
Theresa D.	District 01 Secretary

GSR's:

Anne Marie K., GSR, Walk with Us, 9:30 am, Thursday, The Bridge
Bruce K., GSR, Never on Sunday, 9:30 a.m., Sunday, The Bridge
Donna Y. GSR, Letting Go, 1:00 pm, Thursday, 218 Club
Jennifer A., GSR, Spiritual Awakening, 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, The Bridge
Kathy B. GSR, Early Birds, 7:30 a.m., Sunday, 218 Club
Pat T.C. alt-GSR, Letting Go, 1:00 pm, Thursday, 218 Club
Rena S., 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
Violet B. alt-GSR, Sisters in Sobriety, 1:00 pm, Tuesday, 218 Club

Visitors: James R., Sam J.

Opening:

At 6:30 pm, with Matt B. presiding as 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:

Serenity Now, Theresa D. Meetings are still very well attended. Usually at least one newcomer per meeting.

Sisters in Sobriety, Sue C. Going great.

Women in the Present, Renae S. The group has been discussing "cross-talk" within the meetings. They plan on holding a group inventory.

Promise Seekers, Tim D. Everything is going well. Membership is stable.

Walk with Us, Anne Marie K. She has been elected as the groups new GSR as Henrietta is now alt-DCM. Welcome, Anne Marie !

Letting Go, Donna Y. The group is doing well.

Never on Sunday, Bruce K. Their group recently did a group inventory. They are in the process of filling available positions within the group.

Early Birds, Kathy B. Kathy has been elected as the groups new GSR. Welcome Kathy! New elections were held and everything is going well.

Spiritual Awakening, Jennifer A. They are a new group. They have elected some officers and are in the process of opening a bank account.

St. Matthew's, Tamra D. Everything is going well. Nothing new to report.

Coming events were read by Lloyd Z. from the January Communicator.

Committee Reports:

DCM, Matt B. Welcome to the new year. I am honored to serve our district as the new DCM. I look forward to working with our district and the area committees. I will be attending the delegates workshop in March and we will have only one month after that to provide our feedback to all assembly items. I will make every effort to provide timely communication between our groups and the area committees. I know one of the first recommendations is from the "Now and Then" co-chairs to move from print to digital format. I will bring the most recent "Now and Then" newsletter with me for discussion. I look forward to carrying our vote to the assembly in April. Looks to be a busy year in the fellowship. Thank you for this opportunity to be of service. Yours in service, Matthew C Buchholz, DCM District 1

Secretary, Theresa D. The December, 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 January, 2018 Meeting

Starting Balance as of 12/1/2017	5,923.50
Deposits - None	
Total Deposits:	-0-
Subtotal:	5,923.50
Expenses	
DigiCopy (Newsletter)	10.50
Total Expenses:	10.50

Ending Balance December 31, 2017	5,913.50
Prudent Reserve	-1,300.00
Total Funds Available	4,613.00

A motion was made and seconded to accept the January 2018 Treasurer’s Report. Motion passed.

Old Business: Chair positions still open: Public Information.

New Business: The District budget for 2018 was reviewed but has not been finalized as a budget has yet to be determined for Accessibilities. The issue was tabled due to Joe H., Accessibilities Chair, not being present. A request has been made by that Chair, Joe H., as to the possibility of having an interpreter present at the District meetings to assist him. Further investigation is necessary.

The budget for the hotline, which was not applied in 2017, will be forwarded to the Central Office.

A nomination was made, accepted and seconded for the position of Women's Chair for Women's Corrections. Theresa D. will now fill this Chair.

Webmaster, Debbie P. Nothing new to report.

Cooperation with the Professional Community, Amy G. Over the 2017 holiday season, I was able to distribute copies of The Communicator with meeting lists enclosed to the Green Bay Police Department. Copies of The Communicator, meeting lists and recent copies of the Grapevine were distributed to the Veteran's Center off Ashland Avenue, the Bellin Cancer Team off Commanche Avenue and the Veteran's Outpatient Clinic off University Avenue.

Grapevine, Mary. B. I have the Grapevine Gift Subscription ready to be raffled off at the Green Bay Intergroup on January 20th. All the winner has to do is add their name and address to the form and put it in the stamped, addressed envelope with my check already made out to the Grapevine. I have a bill ready for my reimbursement. My latest order of Grapevine materials from the Grapevine Office has arrived, and the Grapevine display is ready to be set up at the Intergroup on January 20th. There is no charge for these materials. I ran off 50 copies of “Group Grapevine Representative (GvR) Duties” to be put with the Grapevine Display. I'm pretty excited for the January 20th Intergroup, because my daughter, Pamela, will be the Al-Anon Speaker.

For the Area 74 Spring Conference in May, I have all my “slots” filled for helping me out in the Grapevine/Literature/Archives room. I have contacted Norm F., the Area

74 Literature Chairperson, and he will set up and sell literature at the Conference, so perhaps District 01 won't need to set up their literature. Norm said that he would need 3 large tables. Area 74 Archives will be setting up their display also. Derek T, Area 74 Grapevine Chairperson, said that Area and District can both set up their Grapevine Displays.

Bridging the Gap, Marian K. Her committee now consists of 3 men and 7 women. She needs contact information for the Brown County Chaplain in order to get the Bridging the Gap applications to and from the inmates at the Curry Lane jail. Theresa D. will provide her the contact information.

Men's Corrections, Adam B. This month we have had one of our guys step up and take on being a regular for the Curry Lane Sunday night meeting. This will be beneficial because we have had a few hiccups in the past with meetings not being filled and we are hoping this will solve that issue -- along with giving the inmates a little consistency. We are however, in need of men to step up and sponsor inmates. After working with Lt. Brian Laurent and our previous co-chair Sean, we have been approved to go in and work one-on-one with inmates. This has been a success so far and I feel for the guys that have been able to work the steps when still being incarcerated. With only having 3 guys including myself who are doing this, we could really use some more help with this. I am planning on joining Theresa, our new chair for Women's Corrections, in adding to the Jail display at the upcoming January 20th Intergroup. I will be providing flyers in the hopes of recruiting men to help with sponsorship within the jail.

Women's Corrections, Theresa D. I was in contact with Brian Laurent, our liaison at the Brown County Jail. He was in need of a contact person for Women's Corrections as the Tuesday night meetings at the Huber Jail needed to be changed from 6:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. -- there were changes in the scheduling of the guards as of Jan. 1st. All of the volunteers were notified and Brian was informed that this change was made. I also provided Brian with my personal information. Brian will provide me the dates of any upcoming safety training sessions -- which is a mandatory training course for volunteers wishing to conduct meetings or to do one-on-one interactions with an inmate.

The Huber Jail meetings are in need of more women to chair the meetings, as well as adding a few more for back-ups.

I have made a Jail display for use at the upcoming Intergroup on Jan. 20th. Adam B. has agreed to assist me at that table to hopefully draw in more volunteers and answer any questions, thus covering both the men and women's meetings.

The more volunteers we can get the better. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could get enough people to do two women's meetings a week at the Huber jail !!

Archives, Bill D. He will be setting up the Archives display at Intergroup in January as well as at the Area 74 Spring Conference in May. Area 74 Archives has indicated that they will also be setting up a display at the Spring Conference in May. The displays will be kept separate.

Accessibilities, Joe H. Was not present at the meeting but submitted the following report: I will be setting up something at intergroup on the 20th. So far some pamphlets. Worked on getting sign language interpreter for me at district meeting. The district pays for the interpreter. To give you a heads up on the cost. Found two that will charge flat rate of \$50.00 an hour This the lowest I have found. We can discuss this more next meeting.

District Events Co-Chair, Tamra D.

1. Online registration for the Area 74 Spring Conference is up and running..not a lot of registration action yet but according to last conference registrations won't pick up until 6-8 weeks before conference. Paper registration has worked diligently on finding the best deal for ordering supplies and working on schedule
2. Publicity sent flyer to Grapevine and Then and Now and Box 459 - looking into possible magnets with the logo on them but budget restraints will probably make this not doable
3. Linda S has skit prepared and has started practicing..as of Monday they were still looking for a couple of actors/ actresses
4. Panel slots are almost filled...Still need 2 people for AA/ Anonymity and Social Media, and a person for Sexual Overhauling/13th stepping/Dating/Marriage
5. Hospitality still has several shifts to fill- breakfast, snacks, main dish, late snacks on Saturday and also breakfast on Sunday
6. Decorations chair has found a cupcake supplier for \$1.50 per cupcake with assorted flavors
7. Will have a table at the intergroup with registration forms and sign-up sheets and will do a brief introduction to the crowd
8. Intergroup is in need of preferably able bodied men to help set and take down tables..only one man has signed up..good service work to do with your sponsee....
9. Missed the grapevine update..maybe Mary can update us???
10. Alanon contact has 1 panel planned and the guest speaker...committee would like a few more panels

Adjourned: At 7:50 pm by a motion made, seconded and passed. The meeting was closed with The Serenity Prayer.

Minutes submitted by Theresa D., Secretary, District 01