

District 05 meeting
December 14, 2016
6:45pm opened with Serenity Prayer
Introductions

Secretary Report: Derek B.

- Read last month's minute highlights
- Passed around new contact sheet, it's blank so please provide your e-mails
- Please try to get reports to me before the meeting you're due to give a report, typing it in the body of the e-mail is acceptable

No objections to approving last months minutes.

Treasure Report: Mary B.

- Did not receive

DCM Report: Bryon B.

- Met with Andy B, our area 74 web master, and we discussed the meeting data base format and the potential new web site design. Andy developed a Beta test web page and he shared that with me.
- More to follow oo that subject. The test page is not available to the general public at this time.
- Attended Fall Conference Planning committee on 12-11-16 at the Metropolis Resort.
- Nicholas S. will be giving an update at the October District GSR Meeting
- Attended the Are Committee meeting in Three lakes Wi on 12-10-16. A major item of discussion was the potential breaking of some traditions as it related to the Fall Conference Flyer and the informational flyer promoting the main speaker for Saturday night. It was the consensus that of the Committee that the only requirement for a speaker was to be a member of AA and we, AA as a whole, should not affiliate with any other group or cause. The Area 74 Delegate, Derek T. gave a report. Included in his report was the current financial situation for the GSO. The contributions are ahead of the budgeted amount and the overall expenses are down. We seem to be in good financial shape. The Area Committee also pass a resolution indicating we are in favor of a Braille service manual. There is a secure section in the Area 74 web site, contact me directly if you want the web address and password
- Attended a workshop in Madison on 11-12-16 with the Area 74 Treatment Chair, James M. The subject was Bridging the Gap. It was hosted by Area 75's Bridging the GAP Chair. They reviewed their current procedure and were looking for suggestions and improvements.
- The monthly DCM conference call for Area 74 had technical difficulties was cancelled.
- As a friendly reminder, if any there is a planned event that is AA related in District 05, please send a copy of the flyer to the Webmaster and or the DCM. If you notice a flyer that is being circulated in the meetings and you do not see it on the District web site, let us know that also.

Alternate DCM: Jim P.

- Nothing to report, see him with questions or help organizing a workshop

Corrections: Ken P.

- Five more Big Books were delivered to the EC County jail. We also have a new 30 minute video on DVD for use in jail meetings. Titled "A New Freedom," it takes the place of the old video titled, "It's better than sitting in a cell." Anyone who wants to show it in their meeting, let me know and I will get it to you. If you just want to view the video, it is available online at AA.org.
- We continue to have meetings in county jails and support meetings in the Stanley and Chippewa Falls prisons.
- A reminder that anyone interested in being of service to incarcerated alcoholics is welcome to attend meetings of the District 05 Corrections Committee. Meetings are held at 7:45 pm the first Wednesday of each month in the small building of Club 12 in Eau Claire.

PI: Myron M.

- The committee held its last regular meeting of 2016 on Wednesday, November 16th with 8 members present.
- The primary item on the agenda was the nomination of a candidate to be our new committee chair, filling out the term of Paul M., who resigned in October. The committee unanimously supports Linda H., from Ellsworth, WI. Linda, who has 35+ years of sobriety, has been our most active volunteer this year, making numerous visits to school guidance counselors, community Senior Centers and senior housing facilities all over the western part of the District.
 - Looking ahead to 2017:
 - Work on the schools project will continue. We also expect to make good use of the help offered by the CPC committee to visit school guidance counselors in the eastern part of the district.
 - Work on the Seniors project will continue. To date, we have visited 11 community Senior Centers and 26 senior housing facilities, offering AA literature, contact information, and both AA and Al-Anon meeting lists.
 - Keeping our project databases current is an on-going effort.
 - We will again, after 2 years, send updated meeting lists and contact information to every motel/hotel in the District.
 - We will again, after 2 years, send updated meeting lists and contact information to every place of worship in the District.
 - We will continue to provide volunteer speakers, AA pamphlets, meeting lists and contact information to the clients of Programs for Change, an outpatient treatment program in Hudson, WI. We are invited to return on a quarterly basis, as each client group turns over.
- We on the PI Committee thank you for the opportunity to serve

CPC: Robert S.

- CPC flyer is ready, please distribute to your home groups
- Planning for presentation at "Senior America Day" on the UWEC campus June 6, 2017
- Schools Project:
 - CPC is working with PI and has sent mailing to Eau Claire, Altoona, Menomonie, Augusta, Fall Creek, and Elk Mound
 - Phase 2 will be follow up calls
- Requests for checks

- Rent - \$150 – will cover rent for second half of 2016 and pay ahead to cover 2017
- Robert S. Expenses, \$44.27
- Envelopes: \$10.31
- Postage: \$33.96

Treatment: Sara D.

- Elections were done and all positions were filled.
- We have tabled more discussion in regards to the new facility and will be getting more information from Mary Beth.
- Sara is in contact with Affinity House to see if they want us to continue to send speakers
- Committee in contact with Northwestern Wisconsin Treatment Facility as well for speakers
- Revamping binders that the speakers take into the treatment centers
- Requesting reimbursement of \$76

Special Accessibilities: John P.

- No Report Given

Wicypaa: Katie J.

- Last event was this past Saturday, it went well
- A couple more business meetings before the conference January 14th
- If you're interested in attending the conference see Katie

CVIG: No Report

Fall Conference: Nicholas S.

- Fall Conference meets 2nd Tuesday of each month.
- We have finalized speakers and panels.
- Registration prices have been set and online registration is the point of order.
- Fall Conference asks District 05 for a link on the district 05 website for online registration.

Group Updates:

- A Vision for You now has a GSR – Schedule remains the same
- 6:00pm Friday Night River Falls Alano Club, 11th Step Open Meeting
- 11:30pm Saturday Night in Menomonie is no longer Meeting
- Name of Church changed from First Baptist to Renew Covenant Church for Flimsy Reed and Young Persons – Address remains the same

Old Business:

- Listing AA hotline number in yellow pages @ \$90 per year also gets us into online yellow pages
 - Motion to approve budget request – Motion passes
- Website rebuild/Linking meeting locations to the phone app (meetingguide.org)
 - Brian brought his projector and showed a mock version of the changes Andy (Webmaster) created
 - Motion made to move forward with the updating of the website

New Business:

- Floor opened for PI Chair nomination
 - Linda H. from Ellsworth nominated - Accepted
 - Linda wins by acclimation
- Floor opened for Archives Chair
 - Steve C. from Eau Claire nominated – Accepted
 - Steve wins by acclimation
- Grapevine remains open – no one nominated
- 2017 proposed budget
 - Will be included in meeting minutes, look it over and we will discuss it next month
- Request link to the District 05 website
 - The 2017 Fall Conference is requesting a “widget” (hyperlink to fall conference online registration) shaped like a button to make it appear more clickable
 - Brian demonstrated the functionality of the online registration
 - Motion made and approved to have widget on website
- A card with \$50 check historically has been given to Phil (custodian and the Menomonie Leisure Center)
 - Passed unanimously

GSR Sharing Session:

- Northside Group Traveling Potluck February 18th from 5p-9p – Hope Lutheran in Eau Claire – Dinner, Al-anon, and AA Speaker – Flyer to follow

Open Sharing Session:

- No Sharing

Next Month's Meeting – January 11th, 2016 – No reports to be given, Open Forum – Sharing Session