

District 05 meeting
February 16, 2016
6:45pm opened with serenity Prayer
Introductions

Secretary Report: Derek B.

- 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

Treasure Report Mary Beth S.:

- Checking Balance: \$925.06
- Check issued to Menomonie Leisure Center for \$13.50

DCM Report: Bryon B

- Continued working on upcoming GSR workshop
- Will be sending out flyers and other correspondence to everyone on the contact list

Alt DCM Report: Jim P

- Continued working on upcoming GSR workshop

Public Information (PI): Paul M.

- The PI Committee met on 1/20 at the River Falls Alano Club. We had a brief welcoming of Paul M. as the incoming chair and discussed objectives for the 2-year term.
- Discussed the added responsibility of managing the website and what this would entail from the committee. It was noted that it should not be incumbent on the committee to create a heavily regulated environment for the Webmaster to operate in. However, drafting some guidelines or best practices would be a good idea. We don't want to inhibit the Webmasters ability to make necessary technical updates to the website or require approvals for posting information. However, we felt that "anonymity is the spiritual foundation of our website."
- We then discussed other projects the committee is working on and soon discovered that the level of detail required for each project would greatly exceed our 1-hour time slot. Since we meet every other month, progress would be very slow. Therefore we decided to have the "projects" form into sub-committees and hold their own meetings as they see fit. This would give them the time to discuss the details of the project and bring updates to the committee meeting. The committee can give feedback and communicate progress, problems or concerns to the District.
- Currently we have the following sub-committees:
 - Website Database Management, Schools, Churches, Senior, Homes, Hotels, Treatment Centers, and Drug Court

Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC): Robert S.

- January Meeting was held as scheduled. February meeting was canceled due to snowstorm.
- UW Stout Presentation - A CPC presentation was given 2/9/2016 4:45PM to 6:15PM. Details will be shared at next month's CPC meeting.
- UW Stout Counseling Services - Another presentation opportunity at UW Stout. This will be either February 17th or 24th.

- Rural Institute for Alcohol and Drug Abuse conference in Menomonie in June on the UW Stout campus. CPC will be at the AA booth.
- Arbor Outpatient Staff - The outpatient side of Arbor may be interested in a CPC presentation.
- Veterans - An AA visitor attended CPC meeting in January. Discussions on what CPC might do with veteran organizations. Information was given on how the VA works and what resource are currently available.
- Law Enforcement - Discussions on how CPC might work with law enforcement.
- Homeless Shelters, Community Table etc. - Discussions on how CPC might work with these organizations.
- CPC requests a check payable to Alano Club 12 in the amount of \$20 for 2 months of rent at \$10 per month.
- Requested reimbursement for \$20 made out to Club 12 – Approved

Treatment (TFC): Sara D.

- We are currently in the process of updating our temporary contact list and volunteer speaker list.
- Our secretary is creating a Google spreadsheet for all coordinators to use. The purpose of this spreadsheet is to be better organized in regards to not sending the same speakers into multiple facilities.
- There is an open position for Affinity House coordinator. In the meantime Mary Beth is filling in until someone is elected.
- Arbor Place is interested in sending a speaker in for their outpatient program.

Corrections: Ken P.

- The committee requests rent to be paid to Club 12 for \$30.
- At the March Corrections mtg. we will be stuffing packets for volunteers entering the jails, with viable information for inmates such as: Meeting Lists, Pre-release Forms, Informational pamphlets, etc.
- Volunteer Applications are to be sent to the chair of the committee for review. If the volunteer applicant does not qualify per the jail rules, the application will not be forwarded and the applicant notified. If there are no known issues, the chair will forward the application to the jail programs coordinator and notify the applicant.
- We are still in need of male and female volunteers to go into the jails we serve. Requirements are: Have worked through the steps with a sponsor, AND have been off probation, parole, etc. for at least two years.
- 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.

Special Accessibilities: John P.

- The Special Needs/Accommodations committee met on January 28 and will meet the last Wednesday of every month at 6:45 pm at the Dish and the Spoon Café 208 N Main St River Falls, WI 54022.
- The 2016 meeting schedule is as follows.
 - February 24th
 - March 30th
 - April 27th
 - May 25th

- June 29th
- July 27th
- August 31st
- September 28th
- October 26th
- November 30th
- December 28th
- Three people were in attendance at the January committee meeting, a secretary has been elected and minutes will be kept for all future meetings. A motion to change the committee name from Special Needs/Accommodations to Special Accommodations/Accessibility was written and will be presented at the February Dist. 05 GSR meeting. Current business includes compiling an updated list of meetings and their accessibility, creating a flyer for the committee to be distributed to GSR's around Dist. 05 and prioritizing outreach to the still suffering alcoholic.

WICYPAA: Katie J.

- Will meet on March 12, at 5:00p (club 12 small building in Eau Claire) to elect new positions for the 2018 Bid Committee, all are welcome to attend

CVIG: John S.

- Brought flyers explaining book orders can be made via e-mail
- Just upgraded from a flip phone to a smart phone
- Groups carrying the phone are scheduled through 2016
- Maintaining inventory of over \$1000 in literature to satisfy orders without waiting period
- Planning a workshop on 12th step work, which will include role play scenarios for 12 step work, both with the cell phone and in person. Date and location to be determined

Group Updates:

Old Business:

- Presentation on Roberts Rule's of Order – Todd F. (Simplified notes attached)
- Bryon presented agenda for GSR workshop (Flyer attached)

New Business

- Motion made by John P. to amend the committee name **Special Needs/Accommodations** to **Special Accommodations/Accessibility** in the District 05 Service Structure Guidelines
 - Purpose: to avoid any offensive language to those we serve
- Delegate's Workshop- Three Lakes on March 5, 2016 please contact Bryon if you would like to tag along. Leave and return on March 5.
- Election for 2017 Fall Conference Chair
 - Nominations: Nicholas S. (Accepted)
 - Nicholas wins by acclamation – Gave acceptance speech
- Motion to temporarily change the position of "Webmaster" to "Co-Webmaster"
 - Called to question: In Favor – 15 Opposed - 0
- Election for "Co-Webmaster"
 - Andy B. (Accepted)
 - Andy B. wins by acclamation – Gave acceptance speech
- Jason B. is looking to put together an archives workshop on the history of AA, please take back to your groups and bring ideas back

GSR Sharing Session

- Chuck B. - Having Eleva Big Book Annual potluck April 9, 2016 and will get flyer out to the groups
- Steve G. - February 24, 2016 at 7:30p having a panel at River Falls Alano – discussion on district and how it functions. ANYONE IS WELCOME TO GIVE INPUT

Open Sharing

- Archives and Literature displays to be at GSR Workshop
- Jason L. – Biography's for all committees on website, e-mail forwarding accounts will be set up shortly
- Prescott open traveling potluck March 12, 2016 at UCC Church in Prescott
- Club 12 Banquet – March 5, 6, 2016

Next Month's Meeting – March 9, 2016 – Reports to be given by:

- Delegate's Workshop preparation