

## District 05 of Area 74 Meeting

June 13, 2018

6:45 PM

Menomonie Leisure Center, 1412 6th St E, Menomonie, WI 54751

### Opening

- Serenity Prayer

### Introductions

- 9 GSRs present.

### Reports

- **Secretary** – Joe P.
  - o Read last month's minute highlights.
  - o Sent around contact sheet for GSRs (asked for additions and indication of GSR vs. Alt. GSR).
  - o *Note:* Please try to get reports to the secretary before the meeting you're due to give a report. An emailed report with or without an attachment is acceptable.
  - o **Approved:** *Last month's minutes approved without objection.*
- **Treasurer** – Sara D.
  - o Report Period: 05/09/18-06/06/18
  - o Checking Opening Balance: \$3,389.35
  - o Group Contributions: \$478.00
  - o Expenses: \$307.60
    - PI: \$90.60
    - Rent: \$27.00 (May & June)
    - PO Box: \$120.00
    - CPC: \$45.00
    - Administrative: \$25.00
  - o Checking Closing Balance: \$3,559.75
  - o New rent: \$20.25 effective April 1, but the Leisure Center said it is ok to start June 1.
  - o **Approved:** *Report approved without objection.*

*The following reports were given and accepted:*

- **District Committee Member (DCM)** – Marybeth S.
  - o Marybeth submitted a written report, which she summarized in person:

I attended the Area 74 Conference Call at the end of May. The discussion again centered on how to encourage attendance at the group, district and area levels. This will be a discussion at the June meeting. District 5 has 57 active groups registered with Area 74. There are usually 12 or less GSRs in attendance at the GSR monthly meeting. It is my hope that we can find a way to encourage more group participation. Please feel free to let me know how I can help in this regard.

I attended the Area Assembly and Committee Meeting in Green Bay in May. Hot topics continue to be distribution of the Now and Then and acceptance of donations from YPAA. Our delegate reported on the General Conference held in New York in April and I will be sharing some of her report and the Conference Advisory Actions at the June meeting. I am asking for reimbursement of \$90 for attendance at the conference. This amount is for registration (\$20); gas (\$10); room (\$60).

Alternate DCM elections will be held at this month's meeting.

I am so honored to be of service and please contact me if you would like me to attend one of your Group Conscience and/or Business Meetings. Marybeth S.

- Ø Bring back to your groups: What do you think about the "Now and Then" going electronic because of costs? (Over \$7,000.00 is budgeted for the newsletter.) GSR voices needed at Fall Assembly.
- Ø Bring back to your groups: Should Area 74 accept YPAA donations? GSR voices needed at Fall Assembly.
- **Alternate DCM** – Vacant.
  - No report.
- **Cooperating with the Professional Community (CPC)** – Pat T.
  - Pat emailed report.
  - Met on June 4th.
  - Continuing to add to the prospective presentation list.
  - Presentation in the works for Arbor Place in July.
  - Will be speaking with religious leaders through Jonah for possible presentation in July or August.
  - **Be of service!** Regular meetings take place on the first Monday of the month, 6:30 PM, Club 12, Eau Claire. (Next meeting: July 2.)
- **Treatment** – Matt A.
  - Coordinators are getting speakers into all of the treatment centers.
  - Brittany B. is looking for women with 3+ years of sobriety to speak at Affinity House.
  - New Treatment Committee Workbooks have been distributed with assignments about how to use the information there.
  - There is discussion about going to outpatient treatment programs to see if they want our help.
  - Requested reimbursement for workbooks and rent for committee meetings.
  - Underage drinking classes at UW-Eau Claire went well, but probably not much need over the summer. Suggestion was made to reach out to UW-Stout and UW-River Falls in case they have similar programs.
  - **Be of service!** Regular meetings take place on the second Monday of each month, 6:45 PM, Club 12, Eau Claire. (Next meeting: July 9.)
- **Corrections** – Ken P.
  - No report.
  - **Be of service!** Regular meetings take place on the first Monday of February, May, August, and November, 7:00 PM, Club 12 (small building), Eau Claire. (Next meeting: August 6.)
- **Special Accessibilities** – Brett Z.
  - No report.
  - **Be of service!** Regular meetings will occur at a time yet to be determined. Contact Brett to help.
- **Public Information (PI)** – Doug H.
  - Doug emailed report.
  - Began getting a list of shelters together in our district and will begin to reach out soon.
  - **Be of service!** Regular meetings take place on the third Wednesday of odd-numbered months, 6:30 PM, Alano Club, River Falls. (Next meeting: July 18.)

- **Literature** – Cole K.
  - No report.
- **Archives** – Stephe C.
  - Workshop on July 28 at 11:00 AM for approximately 1.5 hours.
  - Stephe will be going around to local meetings to find oldtimers to invite to the workshop to be interviewed for recorded conversations.
  - Plan to repeat at other locations within the district.
  - Accepting suggestions for oldtimers to share, so reach out to Stephe with your thoughts at [archives@district05.org](mailto:archives@district05.org).
  - Seeking historical information about groups, new and old.
  - Will be trying to make sure there will be a smooth transition to the next archives chair.
- **Grapevine** – Bryon B.
  - No report.
- **Webmaster** – Andy B.
  - No report.
- **Newsletter** – Myron M.
  - Things are going fine.
  - Not many people contacting to get on the subscription list.
  - Looking forward to the next edition which will have some new feature articles.
- **Intergroup** – Variable Representative
  - Bonnie B. gave report.
  - Brought brochures from the “How to Get the Most Out of Meetings” workshop, which went well. This will go onto the Chippewa Valley Intergroup website.
  - Annual Unity Picnic: September 9 at Lake Altoona beach clubhouse. There will be a picnic, jam session, and hopefully a bean bag tournament.
  - Still working on mobile-friendly website.
  - Working on taking better literature inventory to make delivery faster.
  - **Be of service!** Regular meetings take place the fourth Wednesday of each month, 6:00 PM, Club 12, Eau Claire. (Next meeting: June 27.)
- **WICYPAA** – Jon S.
  - Formed a bid for 2020.
  - Marybeth made a suggestion to bring back information about service structure of WICYPAA / YPAA. Lucas M. will do that.

#### **District 05 Meeting Updates**

- Nothing reported.

#### **Old Business**

- **Tradition and Concept Presentation**
  - Tabled.
- **Workshop Subcommittee Report/Discussion**
  - Shane S. gave report.
  - Commend members of the committee for their hard work.
  - Interactive workshop on July 14 from 10 AM to 1 PM about carrying your voice to New York.
  - May create private Facebook event to announce the workshop.

- o Will be a taco bar after the event.
- o Money is available to help groups put on workshops if GSRs come to District to ask for help.
- o ⚠ Highly recommended that GSRs attend to learn how to plan a workshop.

**New Business**

- **Area Assembly and Committee Meeting**

- o Delegate gave extensive report. Report will be uploaded to the Google Drive.
- o Marybeth gave summary of 2018 Conference Advisory Actions. See Appendix A.

- **Inactive Groups**

- o Went through list of inactive groups to see if anybody knew information about them.
- o You can check to see if you know anything about the inactive groups found in our Google Drive “District 05 Group Information” folder, titled 20180609\_All\_District05\_Groups.xls.
  - Let Marybeth know what you know about the groups so they can update their information with GSO, Area 74, and District.

- **Alternate DCM Election**

Nominee	Votes: Round One	Votes: Round Two	Votes: Round Three
John Su.	1	1	Eliminated
Shane S.	4	3	3
Paul H. ✓	4	5	6 (2/3 majority)

- o Paul H. elected as new Alternate DCM.

- **Service Discussion**

- o Tabled.

**Open Sharing**

- Matt A. mentioned he thought we should pay rent at the new rate retroactive to April. General agreement.
- Matt A. mentioned the Recovery on the River Jamboree elections. See flier [here](#).
- Joe P. mentioned the Gay Chatter 1 Year Anniversary celebration on June 19. See flier [here](#).

**Closing**

- Responsibility Statement

**Next Meeting:** July 11, 2018.

- Normally scheduled reports: GSR sharing session and open forum.

## Appendix A

### **2018 Conference Advisory Actions**

Conference Advisory Actions represent recommendations put forward by the standing committees of the General Service Conference that have been discussed, voted on and approved by the Conference body as a whole during general sessions. A number of Advisory Actions from the 2018 General Service Conference appear below in condensed form. A complete list of Advisory Actions will be published in the Conference Final Report (available from G.S.O. in late summer).

**Agenda** — That the theme for the 2019 General Service Conference be: “Our Big Book — 80 Years, 71 Languages”; that “Yesterday’s World — Our Legacies Begin,” “Today’s World — Demonstrating Integrity, Anonymity and Service” and “Tomorrow’s World — Courage to be Vigilant” be presentation/discussion topics; and that “Clarity of Purpose — Addressing the Needs of Our Meetings” be the workshop topic.

**Archives** — that the proposed new publication, Our Great Responsibility: A Selection of Bill W.’s General Service Conference Talks, 1951 – 1970 be approved with minor editorial changes.

**Cooperation with the Professional Community** — that the pamphlets “A.A. as a Resource for the Health Care Professional,” “Members of the Clergy Ask About Alcoholics Anonymous” and “If You Are a Professional...” be revised to reflect language related to the military; that A.A. World Services, Inc. develop a company page on LinkedIn.

**Finance** — that the Conference-approved maximum annual contribution from an individual A.A. member to the General Service Board be increased from \$3,000 to \$5,000.

**Grapevine** — that La Viña be published at its current frequency of six times per year as a service to the Fellowship, with perfect binding, at 68 pages, and in full color; that the revised pamphlet “AA Grapevine and La Viña: Our Meetings in Print” be approved and the title changed to “AA Grapevine and La Viña: Our Meetings in Print and Other Media.”

**International Conventions/Regional Forums** — that the following two cities, expressed in alphabetical order, be considered as possible sites for the International Convention in 2030: Indianapolis, Indiana; St. Louis, Missouri; that up to 21 non-A.A. speakers be invited to attend the 2020 International Convention at A.A.’s expense.

**Literature** — that the following pamphlets be approved: “Experience, Strength and Hope: Women in A.A.,” “Experience, Strength and Hope: LGBTQ Alcoholics in A.A.,” “Experience, Strength and Hope: A.A. for Alcoholics with Mental Health Issues — and their sponsors” and “Inside A.A.: Understanding the Fellowship and its Services”; that the title of the pamphlet “G.S.R. General Service Representative: May Be the Most Important Job in A.A.” be changed to “G.S.R. General Service Representative: Your Group’s Link to A.A. as a Whole”; that text originally included in the 1998 edition of Living Sober be reinserted following the section titled “Note to Medical Professionals”; that the pamphlet “The God Word” (currently published by the General Service Board of A.A., Great Britain) be adopted by A.A. World Services, Inc. with minor editorial changes; that the trustees’ Literature Committee develop a pamphlet based on A.A.’s Three Legacies; that the trustees’ Literature Committee develop a pamphlet for Spanish-speaking women alcoholics.

**Public Information** — that the video PSA “Changes” be approved with a minor revision; that the Young People’s Video submission be approved; that the pamphlet “Understanding Anonymity” be approved with expanded content on Traditions Eleven and Twelve; that a progress report including website analytics and the usefulness and effectiveness of the A.A.W.S. YouTube account be brought back to the 2019 Conference Committee on Public Information.

**Report and Charter** — that following publication of the 2018-2020 edition, the A.A.W.S. Publishing Department undertake a thorough evaluation, update, and redesign of the Service Manual with a preliminary draft or progress report to be sent to the 2019 Conference Committee on Report and Charter; that Committee Considerations be published in their entirety in both the printed Conference Final Report and the anonymity-protected digital version.

**Treatment and Accessibilities** — that the pamphlet “Accessibility for All Alcoholics” be approved with revisions and the title changed to “Access to A.A.: Members Share on Overcoming Barriers.”

**Floor Actions** — that the Conference Area Service Highlights be published in their entirety in both the printed Conference Final Report and the anonymity-protected digital version.

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