District 05 of Area 74 Meeting

August 14, 2019 6:45 PM

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

Opening

Serenity Prayer

Introductions

• 11 GSRs present.

Reports

- **Secretary** Joe P.
 - o Read last month's minute highlights.
 - o Reports scheduled for September: Preparation for Area 74 Fall Assembly, GSR Session/Open Forum, Webmaster, Newsletter, Literature.
 - 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: 07/08/19-08/14/19
 - o Checking Opening Balance: \$2,398.79
 - o Group Contributions: \$55.00
 - o Expenses: \$0.00
 - o Checking Closing Balance: \$2,333.79
 - o Savings Closing Balance: \$600.00
 - 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:

Planning continues for the District 05 mini-conference which will be held in January, 2020. We could really use some additional committee members. Please consider lending your experience, strength, and hope.

District elections will be held in September. All positions are open. Nominations are being accepted at both the August and September District meetings. Being of service to my fellow alcoholics has been a key part of my recovery.

If your group is interested in hosting a workshop on service, please contact our Alternate DCM, Paul H.

I am humbled and grateful to be of service and please contact me if you would like a representative from District 05 to attend one of your Group Conscience and/or Business Meetings. And always feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. Marybeth S.

- Alternate DCM Paul H.
 - o No report.

• Cooperating with the Professional Community (CPC) – Pat T.

- o Pat gave report.
- o Will not have September meeting.
- o Will go over CPC Workbook in October.
- o **Be of service!** Regular meetings take place on the first Monday of the month, 6:30 PM, Club 12, Eau Claire. (Next meeting: October 7.)

• Treatment – Megan S.

- o Megan emailed report and summarized in person.
- o All is going well with treatment centers and their correspondents. No major issues have come up in regards to them.
- o Elections for Treatment Committee will happen during the September meeting.
- o All positions are open including correspondents for Affinity House, LE Phillips, Arbor Place, Fahrman Center and First Offenders and Secretary.
- o **Be of service!** Regular meetings take place on the second Monday of each month, 6:45 PM, Club 12, Eau Claire. (Next meeting: September 9.)

• **Corrections** – Ken P.

- o No meeting this month.
- o Eau Claire County changed position and will require two people to bring into meetings again.
- o Volunteers have applied and had orientations.
- o Chippewa County Jail has had people go through orientation, so that is about to get started.
- o **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: November 4.)

• Special Accessibilities – Vacant.

- o No report.
- o Be of service! Regular meetings will occur at a time yet to be determined.

• **Public Information (PI)** – Doug H.

- o Myron M. gave report.
- o Completed mailing to hotels and motels in the District.
- o Working on public event on the Saturday after the Super Bowl, February, 2020: "So this is AA."
 - Speakers
 - Pamphlets
 - Will need help on the day of the event.
- o **Be of service!** Regular meetings take place on the third Wednesday of odd-numbered months, 6:30 PM, Alano Club, River Falls. (Next meeting: September 18.)

• **Intergroup** – Variable Representative

- o Pat T. gave report.
- o October picnic.
- o Looking at new phone and new plan to reduce expenses.
- o **Be of service!** Regular meetings take place the fourth Wednesday of each month, 6:00 PM, Club 12, Eau Claire. (Next meeting: August 28.)

• **Newsletter** – Myron M.

- o Still enjoying the work.
- o Recommends sending in submissions.
- o TRecommends printing the newsletter for those who cannot access otherwise.
- o Subscribe by sending an email to thedistrict05.org. or newsletter@district05.org.

- Webmaster Andy B.
 - o Would like to end his responsibility at the end of the term.
 - o Suggest to others who might be interested in the opportunity.
 - o Some technical experience would be good.
- WICYPAA Sara D...
 - o Sara D. gave report.
 - o Coon Forks: CAMPYAA at Site B28 with speakers. See flier here.
 - Can camp or just come to the potluck and speakers.
 - o Next bid meeting Sunday, Club 12, Basement, Noon.

Old Business

- Mini-Conference
 - o Next meeting will be in September. Contact Marybeth.
- District 05 Hosting Area 74 Conference
 - o Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 are open.
 - o Back to Basics in favor of Spring 2021.
 - o Freedom from Bondage, same.
 - o Northside Group, same.
 - o Phoenix North, same.
 - o Flimsy Reed, in favor, no date preference.
 - o General agreement, so will get the ball rolling on that by electing a chair at the next meeting.

New Business

Nominations for Next District Term

- o DCM: Shane S. accepted.
 - Alt. DCM: No nominations.
 - Secretary: No nominations.
- o Treasurer: Pat T accepted.
- o CPC Chair: Monica accepted.
- o Pl Chair: Nicholas S. accepted.
- o Corrections Chair: Derek B. accepted.
- o Treatment Chair: Megas S. accepted.
 - Special Accessibilities Chair: No nominations.
- o Literature: Dave B. accepted.
 - Archives: No nominations.
 - Grapevine: No nominations.
 - Newsletter: No nominations.
 - Webmaster: No nominations.
- o **Note:** Nominations are open still and elections will take place in September, so bring interested parties with you to the meeting.

GSR Sharing

- Back to Basics Shane S.: Looking into getting involved in Traveling Potluck.
- Freedom from Bondage Hannah H.: Will be having 1 year anniversary dessert social October 11. Closed to women. Flier forthcoming.
- Monday Night Big Book John B.: Steady attendance.
- Saturday Night Alive Zach H.: Fellowship last Saturday of the month (movie night).
- Flimsy Reed Derek B.: Might increase time of Group Conscience, looking for a new closing prayer, nominations in October, elections in November.
- Northside Group Dave Z.: Strong group, January 18 Potluck.
- Monday Night There is a Solution River Falls Charles S.: Attendance lower in the summer.

- Phoenix North Amy B.: Getting more people into group conscience (has only had two so far). Fourth Tuesday of the month if interested.
 - o LE Phillips 10 AM Wednesday meeting needs support
- There is a Solution Eau Claire Lucas M.: Took Area 74 group survey.
- Gay Chatter Joe P.: Will be attending Fall Conference.

Open Sharing

- Concern raised about money:
 - o About \$30,000 at Area 74, building up, likely due to stopping the printing of the newsletter.
 - o What are we doing to spend money to help the still suffering alcoholic?
 - o GSRs: Where is the money going for your groups? Something to think about.
- Concern raised about elections:
 - o Open positions left: Concern about more people not being here to be nominated.
- Another concern about elections:
 - o Concern about lacking nominations.
 - o Suggested people need to be brought in to help.
 - o Need more enthusiasm for elections to make District better.
 - o Bring somebody back for a nomination next month.

Closing

Responsibility Statement

Next Meeting: September 11, 2019.

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