

District 05 of Area 74 Meeting

May 8, 2019

6:45 PM

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

Opening

- Serenity Prayer

Introductions

- 12 GSRs present.

Reports

- **Secretary** – Joe P.
 - o Read last month's minute highlights.
 - o Reports scheduled for June: Corrections, PI, CPC, Treatment, and Special Accessibilities.
 - 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 Sent around contact sheets for officers and GSRs (asked for additions, verification, and indication of GSR vs. Alt. GSR).
 - o **Approved:** *Last month's minutes approved without objection.*
- **Treasurer** – Sara D.
 - o Report Period: 04/10/19-05/08/19
 - o Checking Opening Balance: \$1,957.68
 - o Group Contributions: \$300.00
 - o Expenses: \$0.00
 - o Transfer to Savings: \$133.72
 - o Checking Closing Balance: \$2,123.96
 - o Savings Balance: \$600.00
 - o **Approved:** *Report approved without objection.*

The following reports were given and accepted:

- **District Committee Member (DCM)** – Marybeth S.

I attended the Area Assembly is on April 27th in Three Lakes. There were 9 GSRs from District 5 in attendance. Thank you for being of service to your groups. The committee chairs from the Area presented their recommendations from the Delegates Workshop and the Assembly voted on those recommendations. A separate article on Assembly action can be found in this edition of the District Newsletter. I am asking for \$10 toward gas for attending the Assembly.

Please consider attending the Area 74 Spring Conference is being held in Kimberly the weekend of May 17-19. These are always the perfect opportunity to meet fellow AA member from across Northern Wisconsin and the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. Please consider attending. Registration forms and electronic registration is available on the Area 74 website.

The planning event for the District 5 mini-conference was held on May 4th. Few people were in attendance. However, it was decided to hold this event in January, 2020 with a focus on how AA members can be of "maximum service"! The next committee meeting will be held on June 3 at 7:00 p.m. at my home. Please consider attending and being of service. This is an excellent opportunity for newcomers whose voices we would love to hear as the planning of this event continues.

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 5 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.
 - No report.
- **Cooperating with the Professional Community (CPC)** – Pat T.
 - Still working on things.
 - **Be of service!** Regular meetings take place on the first Monday of the month, 6:30 PM, Club 12, Eau Claire. (Next meeting: June 3.)
- **Treatment** – Megan S.
 - No report.
 - **Be of service!** Regular meetings take place on the second Monday of each month, 6:45 PM, Club 12, Eau Claire. (Next meeting: May 13.)
- **Corrections** – Ken P.
 - Looking to make a case for more lenient rules about who can bring meetings into the Eau Claire County Jail.
 - Flier is being revised.
 - Working on possibility of meetings at Chippewa County Jail.
 - In District 6.
 - Discussion about whether we should help.
 - We already help at two other Chippewa County facilities.
 - People from Eau Claire in Chippewa Jail due to staffing problems.
 - More information may be needed to determine if we should be willing to actively help with volunteers.
 - ∅ Take back to groups to determine: Go all in, don't go at all, support with literature, or something else.
 - We will get more information from Nicholas S-S. who is spearheading the effort.
 - Trempealeau County Jail is very open about meetings.
 - **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 5.)
- **Special Accessibilities** – Vacant.
 - No report.
 - **Be of service!** Regular meetings will occur at a time yet to be determined.
- **Public Information (PI)** – Doug H.
 - Myron M. gave report.
 - Completed putting Big Books in Little Libraries.
 - Planning public event for February 2020 in River Falls.
 - Perhaps will hold in other cities in the future.
 - Will be looking for volunteers to help.
 - **Be of service!** Regular meetings take place on the third Wednesday of odd-numbered months, 6:30 PM, Alano Club, River Falls. (Next meeting: May 15.)

- **Intergroup** – Variable Representative
 - Pat T. gave report.
 - Need cell phone coverage in September.
 - Large literature order will be going in soon, so be in touch with the literature person ASAP.
 - Talking about doing a workshop with the Brown Bag group.
 - May 5th workshop was good but poorly attended. Marybeth suggested using the material in the District 05 one-day session coming up in January 2020.
 - **Be of service!** Regular meetings take place the fourth Wednesday of each month, 6:00 PM, Club 12, Eau Claire. (Next meeting: May 22.)
- **Newsletter** – Myron M.
 - Things are going well.
- **Webmaster** – Andy B.
 - Things are going well.
 - Submit fliers or at least the information about the function so it can get posted to the website.
 - Let Andy know if you have suggestions for the website.
- **WICYPAA** – Sara D.
 - Bid committee formed for 2021 event.
 - Will have events prior to January 2020 bid presentation.
 - **Be of service!** Next meeting: June 9, 4:00 PM, Club 12 (small building), Eau Claire.

Old Business

- **Tradition and Concept Presentation**
 - John B-B. presented on Tradition and Concept 6.
 - Hannah H. will present on Tradition and Concept 8 next time.
- **Mini-Workshop**
 - Shane S. gave report.
 - Brainstorming session was held. Seven people attended.
 - Ideas:
 - Presentation by delegate?
 - Inclusiveness, rigidity?
 - Panels?
 - District 05 inventory?
 - Cost concerns: Could be allayed by combining with Northside Potluck, January 25, 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM.
 - Next planning meeting at Marybeth's house: June 3 at 7:00 PM.
- **Special Accessibilities Chair**
 - ⚠ Still in need, so bring back to your groups for potential people to fill in until the end of the year.

New Business

- **District 05 Service Structure Guidelines Revisions**
 - Suggested revisions have been made and emailed for review by everybody.
 - Review prior to discussion in June meeting.
 - Vote on changes in July.
- **Mini-Workshop**
 - Shane S. stepping down from commitment as chair.
 - ⚠ We will need a new chair, so bring back to your groups. Marybeth will fill in until somebody else takes up the role.

Open Sharing

- Be on the lookout for the Intergroup 800-number so they can get that updated to be just the local number.
- Eau Claire Saturday Nite Alive has a picnic coming up for Memorial Day. See flier [here](#).
- Recovery on the River Jamboree Summer Spectacular is coming up. See flier [here](#).
- John B. offered ride to Spring Conference, so contact him.
- Shane S. is wondering if there are open months for the traveling potluck.
- John B-B.: Friday Night Safe Place to Be and Freedom from Bondage may be able to share Intergroup phone for September or whichever other month Freedom from Bondage is already signed up for.
- Charles S. was impressed by attendance at Three Lakes Assembly (9 District 05 GSRs present out of 50).
- Myron M.: Alano Society of River Falls is having a picnic, 3:00 PM, May 26.
- Lucas M.: Good discussion with his home group after Assembly.
- Kay K.: Just for Today had a well attended potluck.
- Joe P.: The Gay Chatter is turning two. See flier [here](#).
- Ø Marybeth would be interested in why workshops and so forth have not been well attended.

Closing

- Responsibility Statement

Next Meeting: June 12, 2019.

- Normally scheduled reports: Corrections, PI, CPC, Treatment, and Special Accessibilities.