

District 05 of Area 74 Meeting

June 10, 2020

6:45 PM

Zoom Meeting

Menomonie Leisure Center, 1412 6th St E, Menomonie, WI 54751 (usual meeting place)

Opening

- “We” version of the Serenity Prayer

Introductions Etc.

- 6 GSRs present.
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Reports

- **Secretary** – Shannon S.
 - o Read last month’s minute highlights.
 - o **Approved:** *Last month’s minutes approved without objection.*
- **Treasurer** – Amy B.
- https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Ce9R53eiD220um44NSSqt_NoO-oqc1VB/view?usp=sharing
- <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1w23zfQ5eUNk0uMIVheNZY0ehq42tAhJ8/view?usp=sharing>
- <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1gekTnKCWoJSy8HpdTGZx8lBaMU7WliTw/view?usp=sharing>
 - o Paid yellow page ad for 2020 90.60 which was as discussed
 - Switched Po Box to smaller box New Box number is 1902 and is changed everywhere it needs to be changed.

Approved without objection

The following reports were given and accepted:

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

Greetings District 05,

I hope that all of you are continuing to stay safe and healthy as we all navigate the complexity of the COVID-19 pandemic. I feel that it is important to remember that as meetings start occurring in-person again that we all continue to take social distancing seriously as well as any recommendations from our local public health officials and the General Service Office.

As many of you may be aware, Dawn M. has resigned as the chair of Area 74. I want to take this opportunity to thank Dawn for her service to Alcoholics Anonymous and recognize her positive contributions to Area 74. Our June district meeting agenda includes a discussion regarding the vacant chairperson position. We will need to decide upon a message from District 05 to the delegate on what we would like to see happen with this vacancy.

Since we last met, I have participated in the following:

- Area Spring Conference Zoom Assembly/Area Committee Meeting held on May 16th
- DCM Zoom Meeting held on May 26th
- Special Emergency Fall Conference Zoom Meeting held on May 30th
- Recovery on the River – “Spiritually Connected” virtual AA and AI Anon panel held on June 5th

I look forward to seeing you all on Wednesday, June 10th.

In love and service,

Shane S.

DCM Report- Approved

Subcommittees-

Corrections-Derek B

Old business:

- Update on virtual meetings in jails
- o Eau Claire met with Trempealeau and won't be moving forward with virtual meetings
- o Dunn county programs coordinator is not currently allowed to work on jail programs
- o Trempealeau County continues to hold virtual meetings twice per week, mainly for one inmate

Discussion on Workbook Reading

- The group decided we should look into ordering the recommended DVDs or find a digital version online – Derek will order if he can't find it online
- The workbook talked about juvenile detention centers, Derek will ask around about the history of AAs presence in the Eau Claire Academy
- We discussed the role CPC could play in delivering presentations to occupations that interact with inmates (probation, social workers, therapists) – Derek will reach out to CPC to inquire about assembling a PowerPoint

Next meeting:

- The next meeting will be July 7th at 6:00
- We will discuss pages 33-57 of the workbook
- Zoom ID: 7160819669
 - Zoom Password: 300255

Be of service! Regular meetings take place on the First Tuesday of January, March, May, July, September, and November, 6:00 PM, Club 12 (small building), Eau Claire.

Public Information(PI)-Nicholas SS

Good Day District 5!

PI committee has stayed busy. We held meetings in May and June with average committee attendance being 6 – 7 attendees. We are still looking for group representation as our committee is mostly comprised of AA members at large.

We held our virtually workshop in May and our committee is very appreciative to those that attended. Workshop went well, 50+ attendees, lots of compliments about speaker. The committee suggested we look at doing another one and brainstorm some new topics.

We did notice an overall lack of attendance at enthusiasm from other elected district 5 members. Our experience shows that if we want our fellow alcoholics to get involved in service and get excited, we have to lead by example. On a personal note, I have been hearing from groups and gsr's that our district isn't "doing anything" and here was something done and not supported by the district as a whole. It was disheartening to myself and the PI committee.

We are moving forward with our Eau Claire transit PSA program and will keep you updated on the progress with that.

The Northern Wisconsin State Fair has been postponed and we are signed up and committed for the 2021 Fair. We will notate the budget to show that the money is spent and for 2021.

The CPC committee join one of our Zoom meetings to collaborate and we are looking forward to ways to collaborate in the future.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service,
Nicholas Stabenow-Schneider

Be of service! Regular meetings take place at a time yet to be determined. (for info call Nicholas 414-803-9906)

Cooperating with the Professional Community (CPC) No Report

Be of service! Regular meetings take place on the first Monday of the month, 6:45 PM, Club 12 (small building) Eau Claire.

Treatment-Megan

We met on June 8th, 2020 at 6:45 p.m. via zoom. Arbor Place reached out to the coordinator and asked if we would be willing to host an additional AA meeting via zoom and stated they would have a script provided for us. However, due to AA traditions, we agreed that we would need to provide the script. A motion was made and passed to provide an additional AA meeting for Arbor Place as long as we provided the script. An individual agreed to write the script and we will be focusing on making a topic meeting based on AA literature and possibly making Daily Reflections the focus as most treatment centers have copies of the Daily Reflections. Hopefully, we will be able to implement this in all the centers and I am excited to see our committee grow in spreading the message to the still suffering alcoholic! A motion was also made and passed to continue our monthly meetings via zoom for the foreseeable future.

Be of service! Regular meetings take place on the second Monday of each month, 6:45 PM, Club 12, Eau Claire.

Special Accommodations-Jim S No Report

Other Reports

- **Archies-No Report**
- **Grapevine-Pat T**
 - No Report
 - Grapevine is FREE at AA.org
- **Newsletter-Debbie F**
 - Asked for feedback
 - Shane says wellinformed and awesome
 - Nicholas suggested having it layed out kindof like grapevine
 - keep it short
 - lots of discussion and good feed back, Thank you Debbie for stepping up to the plate!!! Great Job so far!!
- **Fall Conference- Bryan B**
 - It will not be happening in person
 - Area Assembly. special assembly
 - Do we need a vote
 - Should it be zoom
 - Discussed the special assembly and it was agreed to trust our DCM to vote our conscious. We all agree that the assembly should be zoom and everyone seems to be on the same page a few GSRs are writing letters too.

Be of service! Next Meeting: Call Bryon or Hannah for any changes

- **Intergroup-**

Be of Service! Regular Meetings take place on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 6pm, Club 12, Eau Claire
(Check website for Covid-19 updates could be meeting on zoom)

New Business

- Length of Monthly GSR meeting
 - Is it too long?
 - Stay on Topic!
 - should be about carrying the message!

Lots of discussion and great feedback!

Closing

- “WE” version of the Serenity Prayer

Next Meeting: July 8, 2020