

District 05 GSR Meeting Minutes
January 11, 2023
6:45 p.m. – 8:45 p.m. (Zoom)

Opening: Serenity Prayer

Introductions, anniversaries, speaking engagements, review of membership guidelines

Welcome: 12 GSRs were present

Reports
(3-5 minutes each)

Note: Email reports to secretary prior to monthly GSR meetings

Officers

- DCM (Shane R)
Service Meetings: Area 74 PI (deciding how to utilize resources in 2023); WCYPAA Panel (Steps 6-7); Area 74 Fall Conference Planning Committee
 - Alt. DCM (Natalie H) – Serving as Secretary for January meeting; WCYPAA; Speaker at the Tuesday Night Step Group and Back to Basics Group panel on Sponsorship
 - Secretary (Taylor H) – Absent
 - No motion from GSR to approve minutes
WILL DISTRIBUTE AND VOTE TO APPROVE NEXT MONTH
 - Treasurer (Maria S) – Absent
 - No motion from GSR to approve treasurer’s report
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Old Business

WCYPAA Registration Chair Report (Jonathan M):

Host Committee was pleasantly surprised at how many folks registered for and attended the conference; committee pleased with participation and outcome in carrying the message of recovery and purpose of AA. Next Year: Oshkosh will be Host Committee (their first time hosting)

Open Positions Announced by DCM:

- District 5 CPC Chair
- Area 74 Registrar
- Area 74 Treatment and Accessibilities Chair
- Area 74 Structures & Guidelines and Finance Committee member (past GSR or DCM)

Group Change Forms:

DCM will send to new GSRs and others needing an information update

Traveling Potluck Calendar:

Eleva Step Group: April 15th (Requesting District-hosted panel; possibly on sponsorship or service.)

Flimsy Reed: May (not to conflict with Spring Conference)

It is helpful for groups to submit information on potluck events to the District 05 & Area 74 website, calendar, and newsletter. Groups can work directly with Alt DCM (Natalie H.) to coordinate the events. Natalie’s contact information: hanssona@hotmail.com; 715-210-7010

Meeting Opening Share:

GSRs expressed interest in continuing to open the meeting with a 5-10 minute discussion on a yearly topic (the Steps were presented in 2021 and the Concepts for Service were presented in 2022). GSRs agreed to focus on the Traditions in 2023. Weaver has volunteered to share on Traditions One and Two in February.

Purchase of Technology Equipment:

DCM asked for clarification about the previously-discussed purchase of technology equipment to hold “hybrid” District meetings beginning this spring. The approximate cost is \$800.

After discussion, the group consensus was to proceed with the one-time purchase. A motion to amend the 2023 budget followed.

Motion to Amend 2023 Budget:

Motion to amend 2023 budget to increase the “Administration” line in by \$800 to purchase hybrid equipment. (Total line increase to \$1800).

Motion seconded.

No discussion.

Motion approved by unanimous GSR vote.

New Business**Upcoming Events:**

- Treatment Committee Workshop – January 22, 1-3PM, Alano Club “Bridging the Gap” Presentation
 - Spirituality of Imperfection presented by Recovery on the River Jamboree – February 18, 9AM-3PM, Alano Club
 - Area 74 Spring Conference – May 19-21, Green Bay, WI
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Open Mic

(2 minutes each)

Open sharing from GSRs and general membership of District 05:**WCYPAA:**

Discussion about positive experience being of service (and participating in service work to support the conference – especially on panels and in the hospitality room). Reports of positive, enthusiastic connections between groups and attendees were frequent!

Traveling Potluck:

Multiple groups are interested in coordinating a Traveling Potluck event – they will meet with their groups and contact Natalie H. (Alt DCM) for more information (hanssona@hotmail.com; 715-210-7010).

David G. mentioned that the Traveling Potluck used to be called the “Western Wisconsin Traveling Potluck” where various cities would host the event.

Eleva Step Group (ESG) Traveling Potluck:

- Suggested topic is “sponsorship” or “service.” Natalie H. (Alt DCM) will coordinate with ESG to determine topic and format.
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- ESG will sell their own literature at the Potluck but has requested an Archives display (they will coordinate with Weaver, District Archives Chair).

Spanish-Speaking Group:

Question about how to get Spanish-speaking materials or translation to group in Whitehall. The Special Accessibilities Chair (Jim S.) may have more information. GSRs Weaver and David G. will discuss options on how to carry the message to that group.

WCYPAA Thank You:

DCM suggested we write a “Thank You” letter on behalf of District 05 to the WCYPAA Host Committee and perhaps publish it on the district website and in the newsletter. The members agreed and asked that a letter be sent.

2024 Service Opportunities in District 05:

Thinking ahead to the next service cycle in 2024: start considering open positions and nominations. The DCM (Shane R.) can provide information about sobriety requirements for service and answer any other questions.

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, February 8, 6:45PM on Zoom

Reports Due: Corrections, PI, Special Accessibilities, Treatment

Closing:

Responsibility Statement

“I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there. And for that: I am responsible.”