



MINUTES
 DISTRICT 10 (AREA 20) MONTHLY MEETING
 March 23, 2014 - SERENITY HOUSE, LIBERTYVILLE, IL

ATTENDANCE: 46

CALL TO ORDER: Alternate DCM, Chuck D., called the meeting to order with a quiet time followed by the Serenity Prayer. DCM Mike M. thanked group for adjusting to the change in meeting location.

INTRODUCTION OF 1ST TIME ATTENDEES

Mike	Alt. GSR, Men's Priority Big Book
Janet B.	GSR, Ingleside Weds. Women's Meeting
Jeff	GSR, Antioch St. Peter's Church
Diane L.	GSR, Libertyville Sun. Women Seeking Serenity
Tim M.	Visitor
Sonya I.	Visitor

ANNIVERSARIES:

Earl N.	March 16 (10 years)
Mark	March 19 (12 years)
Andrea H.	January 19(10 years)

SECRETARY REPORT (Kim T., Mike B) February meeting minutes emailed to GSRs, district committees and select Area representatives, and posted to district10nia.org website. Motion made by Kevin A. to accept the minutes, seconded by Steve B. Motion passed.

TREASURER REPORT (Earl N., Amy I.): March 2014 report was reviewed.

	<u>February</u>	<u>March</u>
Checking account balance	\$3,900.66	\$2,821.57
Prudent Reserve	\$1,454.40	\$2,000.00

Group treasurer packets are available to take back to your groups.

Motion to approve the March Treasury report made by Steve B. and seconded by Beau J. Motion passed. Continued discussion topic: Evaluate expenditures from 2014 NIA Spring Conference and Assembly, and if surplus exists – conduct a split between Area and GSO. Question your groups in regards to any local needs that need to be addressed first. Discuss after the Spring Conference results are in.

GENERAL SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES (GSR) REPORTS:

- Les H., GSR Tues 7pm Spiritual Kindergarten, Grayslake: Last Tuesday of the month is an open speaker meeting. March's speaker: Bob N.
- Jeff, GSR St. Peter's Church, Antioch: Open speaker meeting 3/28 at 6:00pm
- Justine B., GSR Harmony on Wednesdays is a new meeting that needs support, held at Shepherd of the Lakes Church in Grayslake, 7pm Wednesdays in Room 5.
- Chuck D. – Fri 5:30pm Guided Meditation, Serenity House meeting is held on the lower level. Join us for 40 minutes of guided meditation.

OLD BUSINESS:

•2014 Spring Conference Report (Bob P.):

- The conference will be held March 28th through March 30th, 2014, at the Holiday Inn in Gurnee, IL. Everything indicates that the Conference will be very successful. All volunteer needs have been met.
- We projected 600 conference registrations, 300 banquet seats, and 250 room nights to be sold. Currently we have 380 registrations and 211 room nights sold
- Thanks to the WHOLE Spring Conference Committee, who worked really hard to make this event a success.

•Summary of motions to be voted upon in the upcoming Spring Assembly (More detail available at http://www.aa-nia.org/pdf/agendas/2014_Spring_Assembly_Agenda.pdf):

- All GSRs are encouraged to attend the Assembly on March 29th, from 9am until 12pm at the Holiday Inn in Gurnee. It is free to attend the assembly only.

NEW BUSINESS:

Our Panel 64 Delegate, Cheryl V., talked about the upcoming Pre-General Service Conference Workshop.

- The workshop will be held on Saturday, April 12th at Lord of Life Church in La Fox, IL
- Registration begins at 8am, the workshop begins at 9am
- PI Area Chairs have all received detailed information on the Agenda Items to be discussed, and they can be found at <http://www.aa-nia.org/events.html>

*64th General Service Conference

WHO: The General Service Conference is made up of 135 Voting Members. Of that 135 there are:

- 93 Delegates elected by the service areas of the U.S. and Canada. These delegates represent AA members and as a group they make up more than 2/3 of the voting members.

-27 General Service Board Trustees and Directors from AA World Services and the Grapevine. There are 21 Trustees, 7 Class A (non-Alcoholic) and 14 Class B (Alcoholic). The other 6 members are Directors

-15 General Service Office and Grapevine staff

WHAT: Conference members meet to review reports on activities of the G.S.O., General Service Board, and service needs from around the world. They review significant trends and developments in AA and consider matters of policy for AA as a whole. Members also work on recommendation for changes to or additions to AA Literature.

-Our delegate, Cheryl V. is serving on the literature committee.

WHEN: The conference will be held in Rye, NY, on April 27-May 3

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- District 10 & 12 Spring Breakfast will be held Sunday, May 18, 2014 at the Bonnie Brook Country Club in Waukegan. Breakfast starts at 9:00 am. \$16 per person

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

DIRECTORY (Steve K., Scott E.): 600 copies of the directory were printed, 100 were printed specifically for the Spring Conference. As always, send changes to directory@district10nia.org at any time. The committee will make the changes in the printed copies as needed. The position of co-chair has been vacated and is now open.

ANSWERING SERVICE (Robin B., Bridget M.):

Answering Service Calls, March 2014

-The question of whether or not we need the “calls are recorded for quality assurance” recording as part of the answering service was brought up. This is done in most districts, according to the answering service. Is possible that this recording is responsible for the number of weird calls (hang ups, no one there, will call back)?

TOTAL CALLS (2/17/2014 – 3/17/2014

65

MEETING INFO	31	GENERAL INFO	0
12-STEP	5	SPANISH SPEAKING	0
TREATMENT	0	SOLICITORS	2
WRONG NUMBER	2	HALFWAY HOUSE	0
HANGUPS	6	NO ONE THERE	2
OTHER DISTRICTS	11	ALANON	4
WEBSITE	1	WILL CALL BACK	1

TREATMENT (Keith F., Nick L.): All treatment centers are looking for volunteers (ATP, Gateway, Nicasa, etc). Women in particular are need. Please contact Nick L. or Keith F. with any questions. For emails please include AA in the subject line

PUBLIC INFORMATION (Tom M.; Mike L.): Chair not present.

COOPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY (CPC) (Rick S., Jim L.): Rick and Jim attended the Tri-County Conference and met other CPC chairs for new ideas. The list of facilities that can be "adopted" by groups is available. The Committee requests that groups adopt a location, which entails keeping the location stocked with materials and answering basic questions about AA. New business cards and holders with the answering service phone number will be available next month. GSRs were asked to sign up for a location that their group would adopt, with discussion and agreement from their groups that they would adopt this particular location.

GRAPEVINE (Mark D., Alt. position OPEN): This month marks the 75th anniversary of the Big Book. All in attendance were encouraged to subscribe to the Grapevine. Subscriptions are low. Mark will meet with the Carol, the Area 20 Grapevine representative at the Spring Conference, and they hope to show the online version of the publication via a large screen. Call for an alternate- no nominations.

LITERATURE (Mark D., Kevin A.): No report.

CORRECTIONS (Steve G., Gillian M.): Steve and Gillian represented our district at the Tri-County Conference. They are also working to get more volunteers approved to visit the jail meetings. Everyone is encouraged to appeal to their groups to donate cases of Big Books for Corrections (soft cover), as well as 12&12, Daily Reflections. Rekindling the collection of used Grapevines is also in order. The idea of correspondence with inmates via mail (like pen-pals) was mentioned. There are 8-12 active volunteers. There will be a Back to Basics Meeting held in June.

NEWSLETTER (Jay D., Jaci A.): Seeking submissions.

ARCHIVES (Steve B., Alt. position OPEN): Please contribute to the District Archives by sending "old material" from your group such as event flyers, etc. to the Committee. The Archives will be at the Spring Conference, in room 119.

SPECIAL NEEDS (Pete B., Lisa B.): Committee will provide service at the 2014 NIA Spring Conference. Two sign language interpreters and one Spanish translator will be provided. Special Needs packets were distributed for GSRs to take back to their groups, to be included in group's binder.

WEBSITE (Bob M., OPEN): Tim M. stood to qualify for the chair position and was approved by the group. The district thanks Mark for his help over the past few months.

EVENTS (Andrea H., Jody S.): Andrea H. stood to qualify for the chair position and was approved by the group. See her for Spring Breakfast tickets.

GSR CONTACT (Bob P., Beau J.): New group registration and change forms are available. GSRs will be receiving information via mail on the 2015 International Convention. It is important that the district has contact information for all GSRs. A workshop for GSRs is being planned.

OFFICER REPORTS:

DCM (Mike M.): Thanks to Gloria P. for all her work as Events Chair. Thanks to Bob P. for all his work on the Spring Conference.

Alternate DCM (Chuck D.): There are 340 parking spaces at the Holiday Inn in Gurnee, where the Spring Conference is being held. Carpooling is encouraged!

DISTRICT 10 ROSTER 2013 – 2015 (OFFICERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRS):

District Committee Member (DCM): Mike M.

Secretary: Kim T.

Treasurer: Earl N.

Directory: Steve K.

Answering Service: Robin B.

Treatment Facilities: Keith F.

Archives: Steve B.

Cooperation with Professional Community (CPC): Rick S.

Corrections: Steve G.

Events: Andea H.

Grapevine: Mark D.

GSR Contact: Bob P.

Literature: Mark G.

Newsletter (Conscious Contact): Jay D.

Public Information: Tom M.

Special Needs: Pete B.

Website: Jake M.

Alternate DCM: Chuck D.

Alternate Secretary: Mike B.

Alternate Treasurer: Amy I.

Alternate Directory: Scott E.

Alternate Answering Service: Bridget M.

Alternate Treatment Facilities: Nick L.

Alternate Archives: OPEN

Alternate CPC: Jim L.

Alternate Corrections: Gillian M.

Alternate Events: Jody S.

Alternate Grapevine: OPEN

Alternate GSR Contact: Beau J.

Alternate Literature: Kevin A.

Alternate Newsletter: Jackie A.

Alternate Public Information: Mike L.

Alternate Special Needs: Lisa B.

Alternate Website: Bob M.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

NEXT MEETING: Next District Meeting: April 27th at 6:00 PM at Saint Gilbert's Church in Grayslake. Come at 5:30pm for the Traditions meeting!