



MINUTES
DISTRICT 10 (AREA 20) MONTHLY MEETING
 January 24, 2016 - ST. GILBERT – GRAYSLAKE, ILLINOIS

ATTENDANCE: [60]

CALL TO ORDER: DCM, Chuck D., called the meeting to order with a quiet time followed by the Serenity Prayer.

INTRODUCTION OF 1ST TIME ATTENDEES:

Gordon – GSR-See You Next Tuesday	Roberto – GSR 7PM Fox Lake Meeting			
Mary – GSR 10AM Tuesday Meeting Serenity House	John – GSR 10AM Tues/Thurs Chain of Lake Meeting Lake Villa			
Allie - GSR 7AM Eye Opener Sunday Serenity House	Akhil – Alternate GSR – Monday 6PM Kirk of the Lake			
Joyce – GSR 10AM Wed. Women Mtg. Holy Family Lake Villa				
Cindy (Guest)	Jackie (Guest)	Brad (Guest)	Paul (Guest)	Heidi (Guest)

ANNIVERSARIES:

Bonnie -3 years (Dec. 20)	Akhil -6 months (Dec. 29)	Ally - 6 months (Dec. 29)
Steve - 16 years (Jan. 1)	Bryon -1 year (Jan. 9)	Brandon - 11 months (1-9)
Mary – 8 months (Jan. 17)	Ingeri – 21 months (Jan. 21)	

Motion was made by Scott to accept the December minutes, seconded by Felicia Motion passed.

DCM (Chuck D.) I attended the Winter Committee meeting on January 16th. Dan L. brought to the meeting that the suggested literature that was being purchased for Southern Illinois via the Treatment motion last quarter, had to be changed. The book “Inmate To Inmate” would be replaced with Big Books. It would better serve the inmates.

The Area is looking for an Alternate Answering Service Chair. If you or someone from your group is interested in the position please see me or you can email the Area Chair, Marilyn F., directly from the Area Website. aa-nia.org. If you are interested in what is going on at the Area. You can go to the Area Website to view reports, meeting minutes, meeting or assembly agendas, guidelines procedures and handbooks, upload an event flier and other items. Click on the “information tab”. There are also drop down tabs for events, newsletter, NIA Calendar and a few more.

Alt DCM: (Bob P). Reported At NIA 20 Committee Meeting on January 16, 2016; following information: For Fiscal Year ended December 31, 2015:

Total individual group contributions to Northern Illinois Area 20:	\$49,000.00(rounded)
Total individual District 10 contributions to NIA 20:	\$ 3,800.00(rounded)
NIA 20:	
Prudent Reserve:	\$17,996.00
Total Assets:	\$23,230.00

TREASURER REPORT (Kim T., Alt position Cori S.): Please fill out the new Check Request Form when seeking reimbursement, and submit along with your receipt/s. Forms will be available at the District meeting. Groups, please ensure that your group information is complete and accurate when sending your contributions to the District. Pre-printed contribution envelopes are available at the district meeting. When contributions are received, a new envelope is mailed to the group contact along with your receipt.

Current balances are as follows:

<u>December 13, 2015 Checking account balance</u>	<u>\$4,723.77</u>
<u>December 13, 2015 Prudent Reserve</u>	<u>\$2,000.00</u>

Motion by Scott to accept the Treasurer’s report; seconded by Felicia J. Motion passed.

<u>January 23, 2016 Checking account balance</u>	<u>\$5,623.20</u>
<u>January 23, 2016 Prudent Reserve</u>	<u>\$2,000.00</u>

OPEN FORUM: Bill W. presented an article about a lawsuit that was filed in California against AA. The suit against AA was dismissed, but the suit against the sponsors of the murdered woman will go forth. This is an article that he felt all participating members of AA should read.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Feb. 12-14 ECR Conference of Delegates, Past & Present Milwaukee, WI
- Feb. 14 –2016 State Conference Planning Committee (1PM -3PM) Lake Zurich, IL
- Feb. 28 – 18th Annual Old Timers Brunch American Legion Hall (9AM-11AM) Wauconda, IL
- March 4-6 ISCPAA XXXIV Bloomington-Normal, IL
- March 12 – Tri-county Mini Conference (AA/Alanon/Alateen) Kenosha, WI
- April 1-3 NIA Spring Conference Assembly Rock Island, IL
- April 10 – District 10/12 Spring Breakfast Bonnie Brook Country Club Waukegan, IL
- April 29-May 1 – AA Women’s Retreat Villa Desiderata McHenry, IL
- Aug. 12-14 Illinois State Conference St. Charles, IL

GENERAL SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES (GSR) REPORTS:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ANSWERING SERVICE (Bill J. Alt Answer Dave J.): Dates of calls are **December 14, 2015 to January 23, 2016.**

	January		January		January
Total Calls	74	General Info	12	Solicitor	0
Meeting Info	28	Treatment Facility Info	0	Hang-up	9
12-Step	2	Halfway House Info	0	Will call back	6
Wrong Number	1	Alanon	0	Website	6
Other Districts	10	Spanish	0		

ARCHIVES (John B., Sporty Rob): No report.

BRIDGING THE GAP (Steve B. Alt. OPEN): Chuck received an email from Jay D. stepped down as Chair of Bridging the Gap. Steve B. Alternate chair stood for open Chair position. He was voted into the position unanimously.

CPC (Rick S., Alt Jim L.): CPC Symposium planning meeting was held Monday, January 4, at 7:00PM at Serenity House. We had several new people join us to help us get information of about the event to the proper sources. This was one of our main focuses of the meeting. Without attendance from the people we are trying to reach we have failed. But, as we have learned from past experience, we are not in the numbers game. Our primary purpose is to put the information out there and leave the results to you know who.

That being said, the event will be on a Wednesday, May 11, 2016 at Condell Hospital from Noon to 3:00PM. If you care come to join us, our next planning meeting will be on February 8, Monday at 7:00PM at Serenity House in the basement.

CORRECTIONS (Beau J., Alt. Amelia.): Did homework and books (Big Books) are not being thrown away by Jail.

DIRECTORY (Mark H., Alt. **OPEN**) Seven hundred directories were printed for distribution, one hundred for SH, fifty each for RLAAC and ARC. One correction came in after printing to make note of, the Tuesday 7:30 PM meeting in Fox Lake has moved to 7:00 PM. To facilitate maintaining the supply at Serenity House, a PDF version of the latest directory was sent to Dawn H. for printing as needed.

Instead of the twenty four pound card stock we are using twenty pound paper for a 30% reduction in cost. A reminder that meetings list can be printed from the website. Supplies are being maintained at EDI Club in Streamwood and Stillwater's in Barrington.

EVENTS (Dana T., Alt. **OPEN**): Chuck received an email from Kristina she stepped down as Chair of Events. Dana T. the Alternate chair stood for open chair position. She was voted unanimously into the Chair position. Spring Breakfast will take place at Bonnie Brook Country Club, 2800 N. Lewis Avenue, Waukegan, IL. I am sure as the breakfast gets closer the will be a need for a committee and volunteers.

GRAPEVINE (OPEN, Alt. OPEN):

GSR CONTACT (Robin B., Alt. Gloria P): This GSR Contact Chair has had a quiet 6 weeks since our last District meeting. I will continue to register new GSRs and new Alternate GSRs to the groups in our district. I have been communicating with new Area 20 Registrar, Chris D. and will work with him to make sure the GSRs receive their "GSR packets" in a timely manner

My committee's goals for 2016 were outlined at the December District meeting, but as a reminder:

- Visit meetings in District 10 who do not have a GSR. Encourage them to consider electing a GSR in order to be informed of events and important meetings in our District, Area and concerning AA as a whole.
- Offer another GSR Workshop in the fall which can include information on other committees in or District.
- Continue to register new GSRs to GSO and continue to update "Group Information Sheets."
- Put together a spreadsheet (working with Victoria and Earl) of Groups and GSRs for these groups with the intention of passing on this information to the GSR Contact chair who will start in 2017.

LITERATURE (Kevin A., Alt. Cindy W.) Literature is working with CPC for literature and welcome packets for the CPC symposium. Please remember to order your beginner packets for your group, by calling Cindy or Kevin.

NEWSLETTER (Dawn O., Alt Ingeri B.): -It was brought up that many GSR's are unable to obtain the Newsletters at the monthly meeting as they are all gone by the time they get there. It was also suggested that we increase the number of Newsletters we're printing each month. We currently print 600 for \$66.00.

PUBLIC INFORMATION (Tom M., Alt. Pat M.): District 10 wallet card distribution continues. GSR's are encouraged to check those locations where cards are being distributed. Please also check the commitment sheets maintained by Jim L. and update any changes in service locations if GSR's have changed. Refills are available at tonight's meeting.

Work is now in progress to move the management of wallet card distribution and restocking to an online process within the District 10 website. The goal is to allow individual GSRs or their designees to update the names of those responsible for establishing and maintaining distribution sites, and to request refills at any time.

Display racks of AA pamphlets are available at tonight's meeting. Please take what you desire to distribute at various sites maintained by GSR's.

SPECIAL NEEDS (David I, Alt. **OPEN**) I have decided to focus on trying to separate fact from fiction when it comes to those of us that have service animals. I plan on talking to GSO, individuals who have service animals and those who can

offer legal advice on the Americans with Disabilities Act. My hope is that once some fact based information is provided, groups will be able to make a more informed decision when it comes to those of us who have service animals.

TREATMENT (Michael L., Alt. Steve B): Two (2) Wanderers Groups have assumed leadership/chair of the Friday night Men's meeting at Gateway in Lake Villa; continuing to work on a new meeting format. Meet with the Gateway staff and received a comic mentioned from them to have the patients provide written questions prior to the meeting for the Bridge the Gap breakout. Request that everyone announce at their respective meeting/home group that support from AA members is needed and requested at both the men's and women's meeting at Gateway - Lake Villa on Friday nights at 7:45PM. Please arrive between 7:30-7:40.

Treatment committee continuing participation in the planning of CPC forum for professionals tentatively scheduled for May 11, 2016 at Advocate Condell Conference Center; provided a case of Big Books to WRS.

WEBSITE (Earl N., Alt. Steve K.): Website - Not much to report. December Conscious Contact was uploaded. One change was made to the online meeting directory. 592 visitor's since last month's meeting. Investigating an issue that the CAPTCHA (I am not a robot click box) didn't work for a user. John C (Area webmaster) helped with checking.

DISTRICT 10 ROSTERS 2016 – 2017 (OFFICERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRS):

District Committee Member (DCM): Chuck D.	Alternate DCM: Bob P.
Secretary: Victoria H.	Alternate Secretary: Robin H.
Treasurer: Kim T.	Alternate Treasurer: Cori S.
Directory: Mark H.	Alternate Directory: OPEN
Answering Service: Bill J.	Alternate Answering Service: Dave J.
Treatment Facilities: Michael L.	Alternate Treatment Facilities: Steve R.
Archives: John B.	Alternate Archives: Sporty Rob
Cooperation with Professional Community (CPC): Rick S.	Alternate CPC: Jim L.
Corrections: Beau J.	Alternate Corrections: Amelia A.
Events: Dana T.	Alternate Events: OPEN
Grapevine: OPEN	Alternate Grapevine: OPEN
GSR Contact: Robin B.	Alternate GSR Contact: Gloria P.
Literature: Kevin A.	Alternate Literature: Cindy W.
Newsletter (Conscious Contact): Dawn O.	Alternate Newsletter: Ingeri B.
Public Information: Tom M.	Alternate Public Information: Pat M.
Special Needs: David I.	Alternate Special Needs: OPEN
Website: Earl N.	Alternate Website: Steve K.

OLD BUSINESS: Make sure Big Books were not being thrown in the garbage at Lake County Jail.

NEW BUSINESS:

March 27 district meeting falls on Easter. Does the body want to change meeting to earlier in March, 2016. A vote was taken by the Committee as whether to change the date. The vote was 23 to meet and 14 not to meet. Vote was passed to have the district meeting on Easter, March 27th.

Motion made by Susan N. to send seven (7) cases of Big Books to District 12 for their jail system Robin second. Motion is to spend \$1,260.00 for 7 cases of Big Books over a six month period. Motion was passed unanimously.

NEW GRS's

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General Service Representative Attendees:

Time	Day	Meeting	GSR	Time	Day	Meeting	GSR
All	Sun-Sat	Berger Hall Group	Tom M.	8:00PM	Wednesday	Easley Does It –Grayslake	Sporty Rob
All	Sun-Sat	Berger Hall Group	Donna L.	10:00AM	Wednesday	Women’s 12&12/BB	Joyce W.
7:00AM	Sunday	Eye Opener SH	Alyson J.	7:30PM	Wednesday	Stools & Bottles	Daniel S.
8:30AM	Sunday	Big Book Discussion SH	Dana T.	8:00PM	Thursday	Men’s Priority Big Book	Mike B.
8:30AM	Sunday	Shed Men’s Group Fox Lake	Gary F.	8:00PM	Thursday	Happy Harold’s Eye	Ron F.
8:30AM	Sunday	Big Book Discussion	Michelle K.	7:00AM	Friday	Early Birds	Felicia J.
11:00AM	Sunday	Father Berger Hall RL	Bill H.	7:00PM	Friday	A Way Out	Cori S.
7:00AM	M-F	Miracles Happen	Mark S.	7:00AM	Saturday	SH New Beginning	Maxine T.
7:00AM	M-F	Miracles Happen (Alternate)	Jeremy L.	7:00AM	Saturday	Alternate New Beginning	Brandon B.
10:00AM	Monday	24 Hours A Day	Gloria P.	8:30AM	Saturday	12 Step Study SH	Dave J.
6:30PM	Monday	Early Birds Kirk of the Lake	Susan N.	4:00PM	Saturday	Women’s Conference SH	Heidi G.
6:30PM	Monday	Early Birds Kirk of the Lake	Akhil D.				
7:00PM	Monday	Big Book 12 & 12 Antioch	Robin H.				
7:00PM	Monday	Fox Lake Discussion	Roberto R.				
7:30PM	Monday	Keep It Simple	Victoria H.				
8:30PM	Monday	Second Chance Meeting SH	Scott E.				
10:00AM	Tuesday	As Bill Sees It SH	David I				
10:00AM	Tuesday	As Bill Sees It SH Alternate	Mary M.				
10:00AM	Tues-Thurs	Chain of Lakes Discussion	John J.				
7:00PM	Tuesday	Spiritual Kindergarten	Sharon Z.				
8:00PM	Tuesday	See You Next Tuesday	Gordon R.				

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at [7:18PM] and closed with the Responsibility pledge. NEXT MEETING **February 28, 2016**, at **St. Gilbert Church, Grayslake, IL**

The Traditions meeting will start at 5:30 PM. The District meeting starts at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
 Victoria H., Secretary
 District 10, Area 20