MINUTES DISTRICT 10 (AREA 20) MONTHLY MEETING MARCH 24, 2013 - SERENITY HOUSE, LIBERTYVILLE, IL

ATTENDANCE: 49

CALL TO ORDER: DCM, Mike M., called the meeting to order at 6:04 P.M. with a quiet time followed by the Serenity Prayer.

INTRODUCTION OF 1ST TIME ATTENDEES:

Katie Visitor Jamie Visitor

Mike DCM District 12

Robin Visitor

ANNIVERSARIES:

Earl N. March 23 (9 years)

SECRETARY REPORT (Kim T., Alt position OPEN): were posted to the District 10 website and emailed to those whose email addresses are on the roster. Motion by Pat T. to accept the February 24 minutes; seconded by Jake Z. Motion passed.

TREASURER REPORT (Earl N., Alt position OPEN):

March Checking account balance \$2,096.98
March Prudent Reserve \$1,454.32

Reminders:

- 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.

Motion by Rick S. to accept the Treasurer's report; seconded by Beau J. Motion passed.

GENERAL SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES (GSR) REPORTS:

- Cheryl V., Spiritual Kindergarten Tuesday 7pm in Grayslake: This month's open meeting speaker will be Tony the Butcher
- Steve B., Prairie View Saturday morning Big Book meeting provided \$23 in Green Can donations
- Chuck D., Activities Committee at Serenity House upcoming events: Sunday Movie Matinee at 2:30pm on the first Sunday of every month. April: "Lois Wilson Story" \$2.00 suggested donation. Chili Cook Off, April 13th from noon-4pm; \$5.00 suggested donation per entry.
- Casey, Beginner's Meeting, Monday 7pm @ Serenity House please support.

OLD BUSINESS:

A vote was taken regarding District 10 bringing forth a Motion, to be brought forth to Area 20, for creation of an Area Conference Advisory Committee to assist districts in the conference bidding and planning process. The goal is to provide experienced advisors to help conferences be financially self-supporting. The motion was raised by Mike; motion passed. District 10 will now bring forth the motion to the Area.

Recap of Spring Assembly held at the NIA Spring Conference (Chuck D.)

Who is invited to attend assemblies: All involved with service work, especially GSRs. Please consider attending the next one with us – June 15 in Lake Forest; more details to be provided.

The motions that were brought before the assembly, voted on and passed were:

- Motion to make the pre-General Service Conference workshop a standalone event
- Motion for funding for Special Needs workshops
- Judd W: Motion to add new section to NIA Handbook describing primary purpose financing
- Motion to fund district participation in East Central Regional Conference (ie others to attend to participate in the conference)
- Illinois State Conference needs trusted servants to participate in the conference in August.
- Green tip: Please cut out and copy multiple registration forms onto a single sheet to conserve flyers.
- 2013 General Service Conference Committee Workshop: April 13th at Bethel Baptist Church in Galesburg IL. Everyone is welcome. GSRs strongly encouraged to attend and to take topics back to their groups. Contact Cheryl V. for copies of the background materials.

NEW BUSINESS:

District 12 won the opportunity to host the 2014 NIA Spring Conference. A motion was raised for District 10 to co-host the Conference with District 12. Motion raised by Mike M., motion passed.

First planning committee meeting: March 30, 2pm at Waukegan Alano Club.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

2013 Spring Conference and Spring Assembly will be held March 8-10 at the Clock Tower Resort in Rockford, IL. Spring Breakfast will be held April 14, 2013 at Saddle Ridge in Waukegan. Tickets are \$16.00 each.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

DIRECTORY (Steve K., Scott E.): 600 copies of the Directory printed in March. Many thanks to the volunteers who helped in this endeavor. The Committee is talking with District 12 about producing a Countywide Directory for jails, treatment centers etc. They were receptive to the idea. The Committee will partner with the Corrections Committee to pursue this effort.

Please send changes to <u>directory@district10nia.org</u> at any time. The committee will make the changes in the printed copies as-needed.

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

Four people are working to update the contact phone list. Once all of the people currently on the list have been called, and the committee has a "true" number of volunteers, we will begin reaching out for new volunteers.

The team is compiling a document for future volunteers (and even present ones) for guidance and direction on 12-step calls and 12-step visits.

Updates since February report:

- If a call comes into the answering service requesting meeting information, they will ask if the caller would like a volunteer to call them back regarding a meeting to attend.
- If a call comes into the answering service and the caller appears suicidal or in "imminent danger" they will patch the call into the Local Crisis Line.
- If a call comes into the answering service and the caller is looking for a ride to a meeting, we will patch all of these calls to volunteers.

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Total Calls	<u>85</u>	General Info	7	Solicitor	2
Meeting Info	34	Treatment Facility Info	0	Hang-up	10
12-Step	7	Halfway House Info	0	Will call back	3
Wrong Number	9	Alanon	2	Website	2
Other Districts	8	Spanish	1		

TREATMENT (Keith F., Nick L.): "Adopt a Facility" form is available. Groups can sign up and host a panel at their adopted facility. Groups can host a single day, or a regular day per week, at the facility.

PUBLIC INFORMATION (Phil B., Alt. position OPEN): No report.

COOPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY (CPC) (Pat T., Rick S.):

- Attended Spring Assembly and met with the Area chair in a breakout group. Discussed filling in schedule at
 upcoming American Society for the Aging event in Chicago. CASO was unable to attend so they recruited Area 20
 to staff the event. As a result, the schedule was filled. A feedback questionnaire example was distributed. These
 are used by GSO to evaluate the event for future attendance.
- Reviewed changes suggested to the pamphlet "If You Are A Professional" to include more recent AA experience.
 We will review and get back to the Area chair prior to the upcoming Delegate meeting at the Pre-General Service Conference meeting.
- Discussed how CPC committees can take advantage and utilize current high-tech and social networking as methods of communication with professionals.
- GSO CPC contact is out on leave, hence no response to the Committee's emailed requests to purchase CPC kits. A voicemail was also left.
- Workshop for Districts 10, 11 and 12 for PI, CPC, Treatment and Corrections? For further discussion.

GRAPEVINE (Mark D.; Ray gave the report, Alt position OPEN): Attended Spring Assembly. Grapevine is profitable. A new e-book is on the way: "Happy Joyous and Free".

LITERATURE (Mark G., Alt position OPEN): Proposed contacting District 12 regarding a literature table at the Spring Breakfast. Alternate chair position is again OPEN.

CORRECTIONS (Steve G., Gillian M.):

- Steve G., Gilliam M., Pete O., and LaVonne G., met with the Lake County Jail to propose a four day "Back to Basics" type of meeting for the inmates. The proposal to Rick Riddle is attached.
- April POD meetings were somewhat lighter than average both for inmates and for volunteers. We averaged 22
 to 30 inmates needing meeting. As far as volunteers... we were short anywhere for two to four people each
 Monday.
- We added three new AA volunteers for the Lake County Jail.
- We expanded the Jail library of brochures this month and plan to add more brochure material as it is widely read.

• The Lake County Sheriff asked that any application documents on any AA website be removed for security reasons.

From March: A Spanish-speaking meeting is being discussed. Upcoming: Tri-County Conference. A Directory without names and telephone numbers is now available and was distributed at the District meeting

NEWSLETTER (Matt S., Jay D.): Next deadline for submissions: April 24.

ARCHIVES (Steve B., Alt position OPEN): Archives Open House: June 8, Serenity House Lower Level. Timeslot to be finalized, but will likely occur mid-day (10am-2pm or 9am-3pm)

SPECIAL NEEDS (Pete B., Lisa B.): Lisa attended Spring Assembly. Survey distributed, please take back to your groups, fill out and ring to the April 28 District meeting.

WEBSITE (Jacob M., Bob M.):

March 2013 site traffic:

Home page	2050
Meetings by Day	704
Meetings by Community	484
Show All Meetings page	124

EVENTS (Gloria P., Jody S.): Spring Breakfast will be held April 14, 2013 at Saddle Ridge in Waukegan. Tickets are \$16.00 each.

GSR CONTACT (Bob P., Beau J.): Committee to begin meeting at 4:30pm monthly prior to the District 10 monthly meeting. Goal is to increase GSR awareness and participation. GSR Roster is being updated.

OFFICER REPORTS:

Alternate DCM (Chuck D.): Serenity House is available as a location for hosting workshops.

<u>DISTRICT 10 ROSTER 2013 – 2015 (OFFICERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRS):</u>

District Committee Member (DCM): Mike M.

Alternate DCM: Chuck D.

Secretary: Kim T.

Alternate Secretary: OPEN

Treasurer: Earl N.

Alternate Treasurer: OPEN

Directory: Steve K.

Alternate Directory: Scott E. Answering Service: Robin B.

Alternate Answering Service: Bridget M.

Treatment Facilities: Keith F.

Alternate Treatment Facilities: Nick L.

Archives: Steve B.

Alternate Archives: OPEN

Cooperation with Professional Community (CPC): Pat T.

Alternate CPC: Rick S. Corrections: Steve G.

Alternate Corrections: Gillian M.

Events: Gloria P.

Alternate Events: Jody S.

Grapevine: Mark D.

Alternate Grapevine: OPEN

GSR Contact: Bob P.

Alternate GSR Contact: Beau J.

Literature: Mark G.

Alternate Literature: OPEN

Newsletter (Conscious Contact): Matt S.

Alternate Newsletter: Jay D. Public Information: Phil B.

Alternate Public Information: OPEN

Special Needs: Pete B.

Alternate Special Needs: Lisa B.

Website: Jake M.

Alternate Website: Bob M.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 6:58 pm and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

NEXT MEETING: April 28, 2013 at **St. Gilbert's Church, Grayslake, IL.** The Traditions meeting will start at 5:30 P.M. The District meeting starts at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Kimberly T., Secretary District 10, Area 20