



MINUTES

DISTRICT 10 (AREA 20) MONTHLY MEETING

February 28, 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 1<sup>ST</sup> TIME ATTENDEES:**

Carl – GSR-Gurnee Thursday 7PM Meeting Kevin B. (District 22 - Elgin)  
 Jeremy A. – Alternate GSR Thursday 7:30PM Southsiders

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Mary M. 9 months (Feb. 17) Mary 3 years (Feb. 17) Victoria 28 years (Jan.25)  
 Brandon 1 year (Feb. 9) Gloria 27 years (Feb. 17) Wally Z. 40 years (Feb. 16)

Motion was made by Kevin A. to accept the January minutes, seconded by Steve B. Motion passed.

**DCM** (Chuck D.) District 12 sent bat thank you for helping with the purchase of the needed literature. On the table for the GSR’s and Committee Chairs are the General Service Conference Workshop agenda. Please take this information back to your group and pick a few items from the agenda that you and your group find interesting or of concern that your group would like to voice their opinion on. If you need background material on any of the agenda items I can get it to you.

Committee chairs if there is an Agenda items that falls under your committee or that may affect your committee it may not be a bad idea to get the concern over to the body of District 10. Again, I have all the background material if needed. The pre General Service conference workshop is on April 9, 2016 at Lord of Life Church, 40W605 Route 38, LaFox, Illinois. You are welcome to attend the Pre General Service Conference to voice your opinions, concerns or your group concerns or votes by next District 10 Business meeting.

**Alt DCM:** (Bob P). The 2016 Northern Illinois Area 20 Spring Assembly and Conference will take place April 1 – 3, 2016. The venue will be the Holiday Inn Rock Island ( 226 17<sup>th</sup> Street , Rock Island , IL 61201 ). Rooms are \$89.00/night. The room block deadline is March 18<sup>th</sup>. After this date, the hotel is free to sell rooms to anyone. The \$89.00 rate will still apply after March 18<sup>th</sup>. There will be a banquet, dance and ice cream social. There are still slots to Chair Alcathon meetings. It is part of a GSR’s responsibility to attend Area 20 Assemblies. This is a service conference. The conference website address is: [www.niaspringconference.com](http://www.niaspringconference.com). Call Pete B.: 309-373-5560 or Anissa M.: 309-292-6755

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

Motion by Mark H. to accept the Treasurer’s report; seconded by Dana T. Motion passed.

<u>February 27, 2016 Checking account balance</u>	<u>\$6,586.07</u>
<u>February 27, 2016 Prudent Reserve</u>	<u>\$2,000.00</u>

**OPEN FORUM:** Kevin B. (Elgin area) gave a presentation on the role of a GSR. He explained how the position of the GSR is the most important job in AA. The GSR is the key to unity and the foundation of the AA program. As a GSR you are the voice of AA. As a GSR you are responsible for the traditions at your meetings. He suggested that each GSR take the time to read their Service Manual to get a better understanding of their position. He also suggested that as a GSR you could get a service sponsor to help you learn more about your role.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- March 4-6 ISCYPAA 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 9 Pre General Service Conference Workshop LaFox, 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
- May 11 – AA Information Symposium Corp. Condell Hospital (11:00-3PM) Libertyville, 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 **January 31, 2016 to February 21, 2016.**

	February		February		February
<b>Total Calls</b>	<b>68</b>	General Info	11	Solicitor	2
Meeting Info	19	Treatment Facility Info	1	Hang-up	4
12-Step	8	Halfway House Info	0	Will call back	5
Wrong Number	0	Alanon	3	Website	5
Other Districts	8	Spanish	2		

**ARCHIVES (John B., Sporty Rob):**-Right now I am working with Serenity House to redo the Archives open house that was done a few years back. I am not doing it as a District 10 event. However, because it is so close to my position, and in the same area, I figured I'd let everyone know.

**BRIDGING THE GAP (Steve B. Alt. OPEN):** Received all BTG material from former BTG Chair (Jay D.) in February. Had a chance to review materials I received. Still waiting for Jay to send me the Excel spreadsheet of the database used to set up bridges. I will email him this week as a reminder. BTG is participating in the CPC Symposium on May 11 at Condell Hospital. I have been actively working with the team to set up and manage the event. BTG is looking to use some of its budget to help support this event financially.

**CPC (Rick S., Alt Jim L.):** CPC Symposium meeting continues at Serenity House on the first and third Monday of the month at 7:00PM. The flyer is complete and can be found on the website. Our biggest hurdle is trying to get the message of the event to the proper people. It has been suggested to try to contact all the Chambers of Commerce in Lake County. Anyone who can assist us in our endeavors would be more than welcome to join us. Next meeting will be Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM. We will be looking for financial assistance from the District as we get closer to the event.

**CORRECTIONS (Beau J., Alt. OPEN):** We are looking forward to the spring workshop. Volunteers and literature is needed. We will be asking Kim for money today. I've asked Sharon the literature person from Serenity House to help me!!!

**DIRECTORY** (Mark H., Alt. **OPEN**): We have 450 directories with normal distribution. Check your meetings and submit changes on the district website with the directory tab. Updated directories will be printed in May so consider when you have changes so they are included in that directory.

**EVENTS** (Dana T., Alt. **OPEN**): Spring Breakfast District 10/12 at Bonnie Brook Country Club, 2800 North Lewis Avenue, Waukegan, IL. I have tickets for sale at \$18.00 each. You can contact Dana at 847-322-5256 or email D.tapia@ymail.com.

**GRAPEVINE** (Akhil, Alt. **OPEN**):

**GSR CONTACT** (Robin B., Alt. Gloria P): This GSR Contact continues to register new GSRs and new Alternate GSRs and many were registered in January and many will be registered in February. Each new GSR receives the pamphlet "GSR May Be The Most Important Job in AA" and GSRs have been receiving their "GSR kits" in a timely manner.

I met with a member of District 12 prior to our February district meeting. District 12 is beginning to work on encouraging meetings in their district to obtain GSRs. I am helping with information about GSRs. They will be having information meetings for prospective GSRs and I have offered to speak at these meetings.

I have a guest who will be attending the March district meeting on March 27, 2016. She will be speaking about the benefit of Service Sponsorship.

**LITERATURE** (Kevin A., Alt. Cindy W.): We have moved a number of beginner packets. It is cheaper to buy the envelopes at Walmart so we are looking at passing along that savings to the fellowship. We are working with the CPC Committee to provide whatever is needed for their upcoming Symposium. An effort is underway at GSC to discuss a plain language Big Book. We will need to take that information back to our groups. Let our delegate convey our group conscience during GSC. Please return this information to your groups and return with the voice of the fellowship.

**NEWSLETTER** (Dawn O., Alt Ingeri B.): Increasing the number of CC's for District 10, please indicate how many are needed for your group/location. Struggling with receiving snail mail from District 10, whoever receives this, if CC stories or poems are submitted, please bring to Dist. 10 meeting so I can review and publish.

**PUBLIC INFORMATION** (Tom M., Alt. Pat M.): District 10 wallet card distribution system is in need of updated information. Please take note of the white binder moving about the tables at tonight's meeting. Please update information if you are currently supporting a distribution site. Please add the names of individuals who may not be in attendance tonight but are supporting a location. If anyone in attendance wishes to maintain a future distribution site, simply fill out the "Service Opportunity" ½ page form found in the white binder. 50-card refills are available at tonight's meeting.

After thoughtful review with the District 10 website administrator (Earl N.) the wallet card distribution system is better managed offline than through the district website.

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**): No report.

**TREATMENT** (Michael L., Alt. Steve B): Nothing new to report. Men and Women meetings at Gateway on Friday night at 7:45PM need support.

**WEBSITE** (Earl N., Alt. Steve K.): Not much to report. Our Google Analytics broke for some reason and I don't have page traffic. Worked on it and should have traffic numbers at the next meeting. Everything else seems to be running normally. Two new meetings were added to the database.

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

District Committee Member (DCM): Chuck D.  
 Treasurer: Kim T.  
 Secretary: Victoria H.  
 Answering Service: Bill J.  
 Archives: John B.  
 Cooperation with Professional Community (CPC): Rick S.  
 Corrections: Beau J.  
 Directory: Mark H.  
 Events: Dana T.  
 GSR Contact: Robin B.  
 Grapevine: Akhil D.  
 Literature: Kevin A.  
 Newsletter (Conscious Contact): Dawn O.  
 Public Information: Tom M.  
 Special Needs: David I.  
 Treatment Facilities: Michael L.  
 Website: Earl N.

Alternate DCM: Bob P.  
 Alternate Treasurer: Cori S.  
 Alternate Secretary: Robin H.  
 Alternate Answering Service: Dave J.  
 Alternate Archives: Sporty Rob  
 Alternate CPC: Jim L.  
**Alternate Corrections: OPEN**  
**Alternate Directory: OPEN**  
**Alternate Events: OPEN**  
 Alternate GSR Contact: Gloria P.  
**Alternate Grapevine: OPEN**  
 Alternate Literature: Cindy W.  
 Alternate Newsletter: Ingeri B.  
 Alternate Public Information: Pat M.  
**Alternate Special Needs: OPEN**  
 Alternate Treatment Facilities: Steve R.  
 Alternate Website: Steve K.

**OLD BUSINESS:** A motion was on the floor regarding purchasing 20 GSR Service Manuals for District use. Cost of the manuals is \$3.55 for regular edition and \$8.30 for large print edition. Motion was made by Matt to purchase 20 GSR service manuals Kevin A. second. The Motion was passed unanimously. Motion was made by Scott to purchase 15 regular editions and 5 large print editions Cori S. second. The most was passed unanimously the cost will be without shipping \$53.25 regular print and \$41.50 large print.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Motion made by Kevin A. to give \$100.00 to support hospitality at the Spring NIA Conference (April 1-3) in LaFox, Illinois Susan N. second. Motion was passed unanimously.

Akhil D. was unanimously elected the new Chair of Grapevine.

**General Service Representative Attendees:**

Time	Day	Meeting	GSR	Time	Day	Meeting	GSR
All	Sun-Sat	Berger Hall Group	Tom M.	10:00AM	Tuesday	As Bill Sees It	Mary M.
All	Sun-Sat	Berger Hall Group	Donna L.	7:30PM	Tuesday	Spiritual Kindergarten	Sharon Z.
All	Sun-Sat	Berger Hall Group	Catherine N.	10:00AM	Wednesday	Women’s 12&12/BB	Joyce W.
8:30AM	Sunday	Big Book Discussion SH	Dana T.	7:00PM	Thursday	Survivors Bloom	Steve B.
7:00AM	M-F	Miracles Happen	Mark S.	7:00PM	Thursday	Wanders Meeting	Matt F.
7:00AM	M-F	Miracles Happen (Alternate)	Jeremy L.	7:30PM	Thursday	G.L. Southsiders Alternate	David A.
10:00AM	Monday	24 Hours A Day	Gloria P.	7:30PM	Thursday	Grayslake Southsiders	Jeremy A.
12:00PM	Monday	Living Sober	Tom M.	7:30PM	Thursday	Joy Lutheran	Carl S.
6:30PM	Monday	Early Birds Kirk of the Lake	Susan N.	7:00PM	Friday	A Way Out- Alternate GSR	Marlena G.
6:30PM	Monday	Early Birds Kirk of the Lake	Akhil D.	7:00PM	Friday	A Way Out- Alternate GSR	Marlena G.
7:00PM	Monday	Big Book 12 & 12 Antioch	Robin H.	7:00AM	Saturday	SH New Beginning	Maxine T.
7:30PM	Monday	Keep It Simple	Victoria H.	7:00AM	Saturday	SH New Beginning-Alternate	Brandon
8:30PM	Monday	The Second Change Meeting	Scott E.				

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at [7:16PM] and closed with the Responsibility pledge. NEXT MEETING **March 27, 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