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**NIA District 10 GSR Meeting Gilbert's Church, Grayslake**  
**MINUTES Sunday, February 26, 2023**

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Attendees: 44, 1 Zoom **NEW: ZOOM Meeting ID 892 3337 6213** *Passcode: DISTRICT10*

Call to order: 6:04 pm

Anniversaries: Victoria H. 35 years, Jeff S. 1 year, Christa S. 2 months

Birthdays: Mary Beth F.

New Attendees: Matt B.:Basement Dwellers,Christa S.:Serenity House,Jessica B.:ARC,Jeff B.:Sat. Rule 62 Mtg.,James M.:SH 7pm,Dave W.:ARC Sat Morning BB Mtg,Daniel B.:S.H.,Kenny T.:Berger Hall.

Secretary's Report: (Last month: D.O.& L.F.) Motion to Accept: Kevin A., 2<sup>nd</sup> Siobhan R. Report Accepted. Guest notetaker today: Jennifer D. Stood for Secretary Position and was elected. Christa S. Stood for Alternate Secretary and was elected. Thank You both!!!

Treasurer's Report: (Eric W.) Report Attached. Beginning Balance: \$4,642.48, Contributions \$1,400.40, Expenses: \$279.54, Ending Balance of \$5,663.34 (Includes Pink Can-corrections contributions.). There is a discrepancy of \$0.40 that will be absorbed. Total Pink Can contributions will be put on a separate line item going forward. Gift card of \$250 will be included in balance. Motion to Accept with those corrections: Jeff S, 2<sup>nd</sup> Siobhan R. Report accepted. Next month Budget Discussion. NOTE: COMMITTEE CHAIRS – PLEASE SEND BUDGET REQUESTS FOR NEXT MONTH APPROVAL.

DCM's Report: (Lorrie F.) *Directly from Lorrie F.'s report:*

*Spearheaded an Ad Hoc committee to combine all our data spreadsheets including the Area Registrar's. Dawn O. consolidated all into one document. This will always be a work in progress and more will be reported on by the committee. It's important for the alcoholic who is suffering to have correct information. Most frustrating thing is to go to a listed meeting and one not be there.*

*Attended the Membership meeting at the ARC in their new location and let them know again that they need to individually change each meeting that the ARC will not do it for them. Encouraged more participation from the meetings to elect a GSR and attend District meeting.*

*Participating on the current 2023 Tri County conference. Flyers available. We are starting a new Conference planning for 2024 headed up by John C.*

Alt DCM's Report: (Dawn O.) Facilitated combining of various data spreadsheets. Bought supplies for meeting.

Open Forum/Guest: Kevin A. announced the 7pm Tuesday Night Spiritual Kindergarten (Crossroads Church) Holds an Open Speaker Meeting on the last Tuesday of the month for all anniversaries. There's cake.

Old Business: The following positions were filled: Secretary: Jennifer D. and Alt. Secretary: Christa S., Alt. Literature: Daniel B.

POSITIONS STILL OPEN: Alt. Treasurer, Alt. Answering Service, Alt. Archives, Alt. Corrections, Alt. Grapevine.

New Business: Data Ad Hoc Committee: Mark H. chair, including Karl M., Bob I., Brian B. Reviewed the consolidated spreadsheets. All various committees who access information for groups will be able to view latest information. 6 digit group numbers are being replaced with the new 9 digit numbers. These came from the Area and GSO.

Bob I. has created a way to have the group number automatically show up in the form when a meeting needs to change. Experimental, but going forward to streamline the information and make it user friendly.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Accessibilities (John C.) Alt. (Rachael M.)  
John C. Absent, Alternate, Rachael M. attended, No report.

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**Answering Service (Felicia J.)** **Alt. (OPEN)** *Directly from Felicia's report:*

*I am not available to attend the District meeting.*

*I received the new credit card information from new Treasure Eric W. Thank you. The Freedom Voice account has been updated. I spent some time with Freedom Voice Customer Service. Some Volunteers were not getting the calls from people needing help. Freedom Voice reset the call rotation set up. As this was just done on the 23rd (which was team Week 3) it will take another week or two to see if the members of all 4 teams are getting the calls. If you are a volunteer, please make sure the Answering Service "hot" line number 877-893-1212 is set up in your cell phone contacts. If you are an Answering Service Team leader please also make sure your email address "knows" FVS is not junk. Spoke with Webmaster Mark H. and asked him to change the website statement about "you'll be put in touch with a volunteer" ..sorry I can't recall the exact statement. But he said he'd get that done. Any District Chairs that provide literature with the District Answering Service number on it, please have the old number changed to 877-893-1212. As of this report, Feb. 23, 2023 the Alternate Answering Service position is still open. It's a good way to get into service as it is a pretty simple job yet very rewarding.*

**Archives (Sean M.)** **Alt. (OPEN)**

**Got a key to the Archives at Serenity House in Libertyville. Starting a list of what is there to determine if we need to scan certain items. Looking to get the archived paperless. Will be attending the Spring Conference. Any old AA things you might come across, please let him know.**

**Bridging The Gap (Jeff S.)** **Alt. (Zoya M.)**

**Attempting to get the 2 forms needed for BTG. Another member (Jessica) might have some old paper copies to send him. Looking for volunteers to be on a service list to bring new people to meetings. Contact him or Zoya.**

**Corrections (Ted S.)** **Alt. (OPEN)** *Directly from Ted's Report:*

*Received 20 soft cover Big Books donation for LC Jail from 5:30 M-F Serenity House. Have made contact with new D12 Corrections Chair. She has volunteer applications from last August's orientation meeting. For those that were in attendance and registered for the PREA certification, confirm that you are still interested, then applications will be submitted to jail. Anyone interested in service to those "behind the walls", there are other ways besides waiting to bring a meeting to a facility, such as letter correspondence.*

*Reminder to donate used Grapevines – contact me for pick up or drop off.*

**C.P.C. (Siobhan R.)** **Alt. (Kurt S.)**

**Has a lead on one organization, Northwestern Medicine, knowledge of group and will connect with the Gurnee Healthcare professional. It was mentioned earlier to check with the VA Hospital in Waukegan and 2 on 1 United Way. Brian B. works at navy base so can bring information there.**

**Directory (Brian B.)** **Alt. (Carlos S.)**

**A lot of meetings do not have their numbers. This would be more information and he needs to expand the directory. Will get prices to expand Directory. Working on reformatting. Zoom numbers will stay in also.**

**Short discussion on whether or not actual people's names and numbers should stay in. Discussion was tabled for another time.**

**Events (Cindy C.)** **Alt. (Anne C.)**

**Cindy's actual report was available at meeting to facilitate the following:**

**Holiday Inn was eliminated due to cost, Motion by Mark H. for Maravelas was not seconded, Motion failed. The motion to have the Fall breakfast at Parkway Banquets was made by Jeff S., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave W. Motion passed. Cindy will check on total number of people that can be accommodated. May be more than 200.**

*Portion of Cindy C. Events Report: I picked up 90 tickets for the Spring Breakfast from Colleen and will distribute to interested parties – my Co-Chair Anne will take some for sale at the Serenity House. Monies and any remaining tickets will need to be received by the next District mtg on Sunday, March 26 th . I've received the following quotes for our Fall Breakfast that will need to be voted on at this meeting for Sunday October 22 nd in order to secure the venue.*

*I've asked Bill Shapiro to be our speaker for the Fall Breakfast and he's accepted.*

- I'm inquiring about the **District 10 Summer Picnic** which I'm hopeful can be set for either: Saturday or Sunday, August 12th or 13th OR Saturday or Sunday, August 26th or 27<sup>th</sup>*

**Please take Picnic information back to your groups for any conflicting dates and we'll vote on Picnic dates next month.**

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Grapevine (Jack D.) Alt. (OPEN)

Has lent the displays and easels to the Area (Scott T.) for the Spring Conference. They will store them.

GSR Contact (Karl M.) Alt. (Robert B.)

Had GSR Pamphlets from GSO. This takes the place of the old GSR manual. Please ask at any meetings you attend to have a GSR elected and come to District Meetings. Sat in on a Conference Call for Group information change forms. New Fellowship Connection information. There will be another session on this at the upcoming Spring Conference.

Literature (Jeff C.) Alt. (Daniel B.)

There will be a price increase starting April 3<sup>rd</sup> on books and pamphlets so put in orders now to take advantage of the lower price.

Newsletter (Katie D.) Alt. (Paul W.)

Contacted Committee Chairs to verify their information in the CC. Because of space, they had to eliminate a couple of things from current CC. Will need a budget increase per month of add'l \$30 in order to add an additional page when necessary. Verbal approval.

Public Info. (Robin D.) Alt. (Victoria H.)

Absent, Alt. Victoria had no report.

Treatment (Gina L.) Alt. (Leslie D.)

Both Chair and Alternate Absent. No Report. Two places were mentioned that need our help: VA hospital in Waukegan (Daniel B.) and United Way (Christa S.)

Website (Mark H.) Alt. (Bob L.) *Directly from Mark H.'s Website report:*

*Welcome to Bob, who had his running shoes on when he joined us! He has been reviewing and updating the websites auxiliary programs while learning the website itself. He has created new ways to post the Conscious Contact, Secretary and Treasures reports so we can discard an outdated plugin. He has also modified the GSR registration Form so that it automatically displays a groups number on the form.*

*Metrics for the 30 days; Sessions-1576, Pageviews-3409, Avg. Session Duration-1m 40 sec., Bounce Rate- 58%.*

Motion to Adjourn: Mary R., 2<sup>nd</sup> Mark H. Meeting closed at 7:23pm

Closed with the Responsibility Statement:

*"I am responsible...When anyone anywhere reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. to be there, and for that, I am responsible."*

## Next Meeting

March 26, 2023

5:30pm Traditions Meeting. 6:00pm District Meeting. Also on Zoom  
St. Gilbert's Church, Grayslake, IL

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