NIA District 10 GSR Meeting **Meeting MINUTES**

St. Gilbert's Church, Grayslake **DATE:** February 25, 2024

NEW: ZOOM Meeting ID 887-0354-7036 Passcode: DISTRICT10

CALL MEETING TO ORDER. A quiet time followed by Serenity Prayer. 6:00pm NUMBER OF ATTENDEES - In person: 42 Zoom: 0

ANNIVERSARIES SINCE LAST MEETING? Krista P 18 mo, Jeff S 2 yrs, Gloria P 35 yrs.

BIRTHDAYS SINCE LAST MEETING?

FIRST TIME ATTENDEES: To this District Meeting. Kacey A GSR 6:00pm, Jack M ARC, MaryAnn A Tuesday 7:00pm Maggie's Meeting.

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Dawn Rene W.) Alt. (OPEN) (DIRECTLY FROM REPORT)

Please note that the Minutes for January GSR meeting have been revised since the first publication earlier this month. Please forgive the oversight that caused the errors. I have spent some time this past week going through our sign in sheets to attempt to update the information I have on file for our fellowship. If you have not gotten emails from me in the past month, please see me after this meeting so I can get your correct information. I thank you everybody who brings corrections to my attention. My desire is to be helpful with accurate and efficient flow of information. Minutes from previous meeting, corrected, accepted; Cindy C, Roger H.

TREASURY REPORT (Erik W.) (REPORT ATTACHED) Alt. (OPEN)

Reported incorrectly in Minutes. Corrections made. Beginning Balance = \$7912.07, Contributions = \$708.14, Expenses = \$3725.73, Ending Balance = \$4894.48. Accepted, Liz W, Jeff S.

DCM's REPORT (Lorrie F.) (DIRECTLY FROM REPORT)

First, I wish to thank Dawn S. for having been our Alternate DCM this past year and Welcome John C. who has stepped into the position. Thank you both for your service. We hosted the 3 District GSR Workshop at the ARC. It was well attended with 32 people. Dawn Brandeis, our Area 10 Chair held the workshop and most of the time after it was a great round table discussion. Even had the past Area 20 Treasurer, Allen, current Wisconsin Delegate, Peter, and Tom Barlow attend and we had a lot of knowledge to tap into. High points of the Workshop: Importance of the GSR voice to convey to our Delegate to take to New York. Service is another steppingstone in a solid recovery program. Every Group should have a GSR to vote. One GSR for one vote. Importance of attending the 4 Assemblies and should also attend the 4 Committee Meetings. There are Committee Breakout sessions at the Assemblies which Committee Chairs, alternates and GSR's and alternates should attend. Worked on Tri County Conference and Area 20 Ad Hoc committee. Attended two Area 20 Workshops. One in Moline, one in Hinsdale and the Serenity House talent night. What fun. I love being sober.

ALT. DCM'S REPORT (John C.) (DIRECTLY FROM REPORT)

Please join me in expressing our deep gratitude for Dawn's cheerful service as Alternate DCM. My personal thanks go to all those who have taken over the physical aspects of setting up these meetings.

I'm continuing Dawn's project of increasing everyone's awareness of the responsibilities of each district committee. <Ask how many have been to aa.org and district10nia.org this past month> Websites are going to have the latest and most correct information. To learn about the responsibilities of a committee, start by going to that committee's page on district10nia.org. It will have a description and a form to contact that committee. Next, go to aa.org. Use the menu () to select Inside AA, then Service Committees. Each of these has a committee page and a service desk you can contact: Accessibilities, Archives, Corrections, C.P.C., Literature, Public Information, Treatment. Some of those pages have kits, workbooks and other additional information. To learn about the chairperson's responsibilities, go to aa-nia.org. Find the NIA 20 Service Manual (English or Spanish). The responsibilities are listed on page 39 in the English version and page 41 in the Spanish version. I'll provide more information in future reports.

OPEN FORUM

Lorrie F has tickets for sale for Sereni-Tea

Rick Ingleside 7:30 Wednesday, Dawn S GSR A way out Libertyville, Jeff S every meeting must have a GSR, Kevin A open speaker meeting Spiritual K this week,

OLD BUSINESS – Open Committee and Alternate positions for District 10.

NEW BUSINESS – Area 20 Spring Conference and Assembly. Discussion on how to increase GSR representatives.

March 23 pre-GSO conference Workshop Elburn IL.

2024 TRI COUNTY CONFERENCE REPORT

(DIRECTLY FROM REPORT)

I'm thrilled and so grateful to have such a terrific planning committee. It keeps growing in size and energy. Most of the major challenges were met quite early and only some minor details remain. I've advised our volunteers to think about contingency planning if we have a larger than expected turnout this year.

If you want banquet tickets, I suggest doing it without delay. On-line reservation for banquet tickets is now available on https://tri-countyconference.com. The deadline for mail-in reservations is March 21. No registration is required for the day events.

Commitee Reports

Accessibilities (OPEN) Alt. (OPEN) (NO REPORT)

Answering Service (Felicia J.) Alt. (James M.) (DIRECTLY FROM REPORT)

Everything is moving smoothly. We've added 3 new volunteers. We have emailed 2 others with questions about their restrictions. We're waiting for a response from them. The issue with restrictions is and always has been: If a volunteer gets a call from 877-893-1212 and cannot accept it, they must let it ring 4 times until it moves from them to the next volunteer. If the call is rejected, or a message is sent then the call will not go to the next volunteer. AND the caller will go into the volunteer's personal VM, not the 877-893-1212 Hot Line VM. It also means the caller now has the volunteer's cell number. If the call from 877-893-1212 is disconnected. Hung up on, then the whole concept of volunteering to help is pretty much rendered irrelevant and basically a disservice. If you (a volunteer) are in a meeting, can't take a call during certain hours, you need to put your phone in airplane mode, turn it off, or put it on do not disturb, or let it ring 4 times. We've been doing this for 16 months. The original group of volunteers (signed up in Sept 2022) have not indicated any problem with the way the service works.

Archives (Sean M.) Alt. (Dean D.)

Still working on digitizing and organizing.

Bridging The Gap (Jeff S.) Alt. (OPEN)

BTG is looking for female to be ALT in order to assist females coming out of treatment and corrections who are reaching out for assistance.

Corrections (Ted S.) Alt. (OPEN) (NO REPORT)
C.P.C. (OPEN) Alt. (OPEN) (NO REPORT)

Directory (Brian B.) Alt. (OPEN)

Printing quarterly, reach out if you need more. Reach out directly to have published phone numbers confirmed

Events (Cindy C.) Alt. (Diedra H.) (DIRECTLY FROM REPORT)

We are set with Saturday, August 17th at the Half Day Woods with the same Shelter C for our District 10 picnic. I've got the reservation for the pavilion and paid the permit fee of \$90. I have spoken to Jerry at the Parkway and we are locked in for the October 20th date for our District 10 Fall Breakfast. I'll be stopping there to provide the deposit of \$500 this week. District 12 is also booked for the Parkway for the Spring Breakfast on April 21st with \$25 per ticket. I will reach out to Terry (D12 Events Chair) this week to see if they've printed off their tickets so we can help with sales.

Grapevine (Elizabeth W.) Alt. (OPEN) (NO REPORT)

GSR Contact (Karl M.) Alt. (OPEN)

Robert stepping down from ALT.

Literature (Jeff C.) Alt. (Daniel B.) (DIRECTLY FROM REPORT)

Literature report: The price of newcomer packets will be increasing to \$2 each because of the increase in pamphlet prices. If anyone needs literature materials, please contact Jeff C. If the materials you need are not on hand, we can place an order with GSO and get tax exemption.

Newsletter (Katie D.)

Alt. (Paul W.)

(DIRECTLY FROM REPORT)

Printed 430 copies of the newsletter. Please utilize the log on the back table for meetings/club houses. Newsletters are paper clipped in batches of 10. You are not limited to one batch, just please log the total taken. If you are taking 1 or 2 for personal use, there is a SEPARATE stack that is not paper clipped; please take from that stack. *Serenity House has 90*

copies of the newsletter already. Shipping Point is changing their pricing structure in March. They have not finalized the pricing structure as of yet, however it will go into effect prior to the printing of the April newsletter. We will have more information at the 3/24 meeting.

Public Info. (Robin D.)Alt. (OPEN)(NO REPORT)Treatment (Gina L.)Alt. (Leslie D.)(NO REPORT)

Website (Mark H.) Alt. (Bob L.) (DIRECTLY FROM REPORT)

We have updated all the group numbers in the website while continuing the daily monitoring and updates as needed. We noticed the license for a widely used plugin had expired. The easiest solution was to apply for a new license at a cost of \$180.00 for the year, which is 40 per-cent off. Metrics for the last 30 days; 1540 sessions, 5708 page views, average duration 1minute. 7 seconds, bounce rate, 47%, and new users-896. Daily monitoring is going well. Bob is very involved in working on technical technology. Everybody please verify all information that is published on our website and in Directory, especially meeting information. Looking for help setting up and taking care of electronic equipment.

Motion to Adjourn. Close Meeting. 6:58pm

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

NEXT DISTRICT 10 MEETING- 4th Sunday of the next month: Sunday, MARCH 24, 2024 St. Gilbert's Church, Grayslake, IL Traditions Meeting: 5:30pm, District Meeting: 6:00pm