

NEW: ZOOM Meeting ID 362-152-0195

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CALL MEETING TO ORDER. A quiet time followed by Serenity Prayer.

NUMBER OF ATTENDEES - 39

ANNIVERSARIES SINCE LAST MEETING? Pam 13yrs, Lorrie 34yrs;

ANY BIRTHDAYS? John C Aug 10, Brian July 30, Alex August 6, Brian August 16,

FIRST TIME ATTENDEES: To this District Meeting.

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Dawn Rene W) I went to the Area 20 Committee meeting on August 3rd. It is an honor and a blessing to be able to serve. Ted and Cindy passed motion to accept the July Minutes

Minutes from previous meeting.

TREASURY REPORT (Eric W.) Roger and Karl passed the motion to accept the August Treasurer's Report.

DCM's REPORT (Lorrie F.)

Please go to the Area 20 Website and take the Area Survey. This is important for the Area to understand how to assist the fellowship with their duties and understanding of the inner workings of AA on the District, Area and GSO levels. If you need a hard copy please contact me directly.

Distributed Area surveys/inventory for: GSRs, Committee Chairs and DCMs in packets for all the Districts in the Area. Thank you to Debbie B. for assisting me with that task.

Our District hosted the Aea 20 Committee Meeting on August 3rd. Our Archives, Sean, set up our display for the Area. Thank you especially to Joanne L., Michelle B., Dawn Rene W., Morena P., Sean M. and Kevin A. for helping us set up, food, serving and clean up. You are all awesome.

Assisting our Alt DCM, John with the District job descriptions. This is a big task but we're trying to eat this elephant one bite at a time. Please submit your descriptions if you haven't already. We hope to have a working draft by our next meeting in September, then a final by the end of the year. This should assist people in September to look at the various jobs in time for our elections in October. Then we only have one more meeting in 2024, the combined November/December meeting the 2nd week of December, December 8th. So again, no meeting in November, it will be combined for December. Budgets will be due in December.

Want to thank everyone again who helped or came out to hear the delegate last month and have dinner. We had a great spread and even took some home. It was such a success that I invited our Area Chair and Alternate to our last meeting in December with another meal. I need your input on that and will need additional funds to accomplish that.

Also, the District picnic was on August 17th. Great job Cindy and Diedra. I'm sure you'll hear more from her, but thank you to Mark H. for the tunes, Jeff C. for the literature and all who helped. Sean, Cindy's hubby, Karen's story and all the yummy food.

Online registration for the International will be available September 10th.

Attended the Illinois State Conference August 23-25 in Springfield. My takeaways were:

- Safety in AA is not limited to physical safety. Give people the space to recover and do not bring "outside issues" to a meeting. This includes their ethnic background, sexual preferences, political affiliations. This is a volatile time in our county so "Live and let live" Remember our singleness of purpose.
- Recovery is the base of our triangle, but service needs to be a part of it. However, personal recovery is most important.
- ISCPAA is vibrant. They wanted to recruit me. LOL

My job is to inform you of what I hear and learn about our service structure. Thank you for letting me serve.

In service,

Lorrie Ferguson, District 10 DCM

"The only ones among you who will be really happy are those who have sought and found how to serve."

Albert Schweitzer

ALT. DCM'S REPORT (John C.)

Let's all welcome Roger as the new Accessibilities Chairperson. I put him in touch with our Area 20 Accessibilities chairperson and the Area 19 Accessibilities committee. I've given him my Accessibilities kit. Lorrie and I continued working on the jobs description project. Please note that I'll always have a backup wrench for the door, so we'll never have to prop it open.

OPEN FORUM - ARC bonfire meeting, Spiritual K Crossroads church, last Tuesday of the month celebrating anniversaries + open speaker meeting,

OLD BUSINESS – open positions...

NEW BUSINESS – We need more 12x12s for our District GSR meeting. Sean makes a motion to buy more. Motion passed.

Committee Reports

Accessibilities (Roger H) Alt. (OPEN)

New in the position. Will be getting oriented to the position and reporting more next month.

Answering Service (Felicia J) Alt. (James M.) NO ATTENDANCE/NO REPORT

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

Last month while gathering supplies for our meeting, I accidentally dropped my keys in the district storage locker. I did not realize that until a few days later when I needed to gather the AA story boards from the locker for the Area assembly we were hosting. The solution I came up with was to use a "master key", bolt cutters, to snip the lock, replace the lock it at my own expense, and then have three new keys cut one for Mark and gave John two others for himself and Lori. What I didn't realize was there were other key holders I affected causing some confusion and wasted time. I apologized already to Cindy and see now where a phone call would have saved others time and me a few dollars.

This month, we will be completing an inventory of the contents already in the shed, participating in the GSR workshop, and reaching out for further assistance on the digitization of the paper archives still currently located at Serenity House.

Bridging The Gap (Jeff S) Alt. (OPEN) NO ATTENDANCE/NO REPORT

Corrections (Ted S) Alt. (OPEN)

With the district's corrections budget approval, I plan on attending the 2024 National Corrections Conference in Charlotte N.C. November 8-10th. The conference registration totals \$147.81. Hotel 2nights total \$320.40. Currently plane fare is \$350.00 Roundtrip. Combined estimate \$800.00. Volunteers bring meetings to the Lake County jail Mondays and Thursday evenings when requested. The process for volunteers to get clearance is available on the district website corrections link and the Conscience Contact newsletter. I recently logged in and revisited what is required. It is very doable, and I am willing to hold an in-person one-to-two-hour workshop (maybe at Serenity House). Please take this back to your home groups. The pink can fund is running low. Please announce to home groups that it has purchased Big Books, 12&12s and many other AAWS approved literature (all delivered to LC jail). The area meeting contact UR code has been attached on each inside cover along with the AA Preamble. Also remember to collect used Grapevine digests. I met with the Inmate Program Director earlier this month in the jail library. All donated items are getting into the hands of those in that care to learn there is a solution. (Currently there are about 350 beds out of 850 in use.)350 I was informed they are working on having inhouse volunteer training.

Roger and Katie move to approve Ted's expenses to go the National Corrections Conference in Charlotte N.C.

C.P.C. (Eric S) Alt. (OPEN)

No API. Nothing to report. Will be looking for volunteers to reach out and contact businesses to circulate information. Eric would like to set up a Zoom meeting for his committee.

Directory (Brian B) Alt. (OPEN) NO ATTENDANCE/NO REPORT

Events (Cindy C.) Alt. (Deidre Hogan)

The 2024 District 10 picnic was another success! Approximately 60 people attended, Karen F. was a great speaker, the weather cleared up and everyone enjoyed wonderful food, fun and fellowship! Many thanks again to Mark for the music/sound system, and all the participation!!!

Our expenses totaled \$337.72. We received \$168 in donations and \$85 from the 50/50 Raffle. The total cost of the picnic was \$84.72! Deirdre & I will go over the list of picnic items for lessons learned and adjustments to make for next year's picnic. Tickets for the fall breakfast have been distributed and are being sold.

I'll ask that each GSR take to their meetings a request for donations for gift baskets/gift cards to raffle at the Fall Breakfast – We can be contacted to meet for gift basket collection(s) at any time. I'll request that everyone have their cash for ticket sales by the September District mtg.

Suggestion: Please purchase new District 10 signs – the metal is broken on the ones that we have.

Grapevine (OPEN) Alt. (OPEN)

GSR Contact (Karl M.) Alt. (Bill J)

GSR workshop coming up. September 14. Food will be provided. Apx only 30% of meetings have a GSR.

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

Newcomer packets are available for \$2 each.

20 pocket Big Books were ordered and donated to Gateway through the treatment budget. QR code stickers that link to the district website were applied to the inside covers. We have sold out of the \$3 first edition Big Book reprints. A small literature display was set up at the District 10 picnic.

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

450 copies printed. International conference information in previous publications. Always looking for additions to the publication

Public Info. (Camilla H) Alt. (OPEN)

Have a booth in sept 21 buffalo grove community Vernon hills community mental health conference.

Treatment (Gina L.) Alt. (Leslie D.) NO REPORT

Website (Mark H) Alt. (Bob L.)

Daily monitoring is going well.

Motion to Adjourn. Close Meeting. Mark, 7:15pm.

“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, SEPTEMBER 22, 2024
St. Gilbert's Church, Grayslake, IL
Traditions Meeting: 5:30pm, District Meeting: 6:00pm***