Minutes for JANUARY/26/2025

District 10, Northern Illinois Area 20

ZOOM Meeting ID 861 1954 7045 Passcode: DISTRICT10

Call to Order 6:02

Quiet time followed by Serenity Prayer.

Anniversaries? Roger H 36yrs, Betty 22yrs, Casey A 8yrs.

January Birthdays? Salli W, Rob D, Christina.

First time attendees to this meeting introduce themselves. *Jennifer M. Wednesday Easy Does It Shephard of The Lakes, Rob D. GSR Monday 5:05 ARC, Paul Sunday Basement Dwellers Burger Hall* Secretary's report (Dawn Rene W.):

Message from Secretary: In order to register everybody properly with the Area 20 registrar, I need the correct spelling of last names, and accurate postal address for each District 10 committee member.

If you do not see your name printed on the sign in sheets, please write it in by hand; 1^{st} and last name, phone #, and email address.

My budget needs will remain the same, \$500 for the year 2025.

Minutes from the previous meeting

Any questions/corrections? Motion to approve the minutes. Lorrie, Roger

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> (Eric W., interim) *Beginning balance* = \$1355.89, *Ending balance* = \$2042.95.

Any questions/corrections? Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Cindy, Roger

DCM's Report (John C.)

Alt DCM'S Report (VACANT)

2025 Tri-County Conference Report

The conference is March 29, 2025 at Lakeland Church, 440 N Hunt Club Road in Gurnee. The day activities are free, and the banquet is \$30 per person. Banquet registration is due by mail on March 15. We had a walk-through and a planning meeting at the church on January 4. Corrections have been given a much larger space this year, and Lorrie will be directing the skits. A few committee positions are still open, so if you'd like to pitch in, the next planning meeting is 12:30 pm on Sunday, February 2 at the Kenosha Alano Club.

Open Forum

Area 20 Registrar position vacant. GSO is calling for Veteran of US military to share their stories. 2025 Pre-General Service Conference Workshop April 5th, Dixon IL. Zoom breakout sessions are scheduled ahead of the PGSC Workshop in order to review the agenda items that will be presented to our Delegate. Everyone is welcome to attend and be involved. Open speaker meeting at ARC February 8th, Kevin A will be the Speaker. AA portion Al-Anon Conference in October needs committee involvement. Sean, February 20th, 5:30pm, St. Andrews GL, 31 Park Ave, 6th Annual Anniversary party, Jeff Tri-County!

Old Business VACANT POSITIONS:

Treasurer - Lorrie F nominates Salli W. The Fellowship approved Salli.

Alt-DCM Jeff S. The Fellowship approved Jeff S.

Grapevine- (VACANT). Alt Secretary- (VACANT). ALT-Treasurer- (VACANT). ALT-Answering (VACANT), ALT-Archives (VACANT), ALT-CPC (VACANT), ALT-Directory (VACANT), ALT-GSR Contact (VACANT). ALT-Literature (VACANT). ALT-Tech (VACANT).

<u>New Business</u> Eric W - Technology Committee needs a budget. Motion for \$50, Motion amended for \$350. Motion passed. Mark makes a motion to form an Ad-Hoc committee to review our District 10 by-laws for accuracy. Mark H, Kevin A, Kasey A, Jeff S, Sean M.

Committee Reports

Accessibilities (Roger H.)

Alt. (Mike M.)

Talking to Sedgebrook Sr living and reviewing handicapped accessible facilities for the District 10 AA meeting locations. BB Plain Language Study Group via Zoom February 16 on aa-nia.org

Answering Service (James M.)

Alt. (VACANT)

ABSENT

We've added three new volunteers this month, and two have already begun. All three were males, so we're still looking for a few female volunteers to even out the groups, but the overall number of volunteers is good.

We received 62 calls in December. The average was 6.3 minutes per call, but that is off due to one 37-minute call. The typical average is 2-5 minutes per call. The reporting is pretty basic, but I will spend some more time on it this month to see if I can provide more relevant data. Overall, the service is running well.

I understand there is some interest from the Bridging the Gap group in connecting and possibly collaborating. Unfortunately, I won't be in attendance tonight, but I am open to connecting with anyone interested in talking on that topic. I can be reached at 847-514-2157.

REPORT

Archives (Dean D.)

Alt. (VACANT)

I continue to work with Sean on transitioning Archives to me as a new Archives Chair. Weekly meetings have been scheduled. I need to discuss with John C the possibility of setting up Archives display at the Tri-County Conference.

Bridging The Gap (Gordon R.)

Alt. (Alfonso F.)

We are organizing men and women for the committee to Work with treatment centers

Corrections (Gina L.)

Alt. (Christina.)

I attended meeting at ARC to pass off the Treatment committee responsibilities. Met with area chair to get familiar with what to expect for serving in this position. Making new 'Pink Cans'. Area Chair is willing to visit in person to share their experience with all involved with this position. Will be working with Ted to get oriented to working with getting into Correction facilities.

C.P.C. (Eric S.)

Alt. ((VACANT))

I have established the 5 following goals for CPE for 2025.

- 1. Start a committee with two volunteers for reach out to the Professional community targets in our District. Our targets will be mental health clinics, doctors' offices. CLC, police departments, school districts at the High school and Jr High level, fire and rescue departments, and large corporations.
- 2. Once the committee is established, we plan to reach out 5 or 10 contacts for the first few months and grow to ten a month.
- 3. Assemble materials for outreach (business cards, posters, etc).
- 4. Attend one CPE related event every quarter.
- 5 Coordinate with Treatment, Bridging the Gap, and Corrections to help them as well.

Directory (Mark H.)

Alt. (Carlos S.)

400 copies printed. All clubs already have new Directories on hand. The next printing for Directories will be in April.

Events (Diedra H.)

Alt. (Ryan)

We have no update for special events at this time. I'll be talking to Cindy at the meeting and make sure she lets me know how to check in with you guys every month.

Grapevine (VACANT)

Alt. (VACANT)

GSR Contact (Brian C.)

Alt. (VACANT)

no report

absent

Literature (Lance L.)

Alt. (VACANT)

I am ordering 4 cases PLBB, making newcomer kits, please order AA literature through aa.org in order for GSO to benefit from the sale.

Newsletter (Paul W.)

Alt. (Katie D.)

Printed 450 copies

- -Serenity House already has 80 copies of the newsletter
- -Pricing will increase next month from \$158.50 to \$176.20
- -Newsletters are paper clipped in batches of 10. You are not limited to one batch. 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.

<u>**Public Info.**</u> (Camilla H.) Alt. (Jane B.) putting together list of articles, looking for

events to make presentations at.

Technical (Jeff C.) Alt. (VACANT) looking forward to this position.

Thankful for any and all help.

<u>Treatment</u> (Jason C.) Alt. (Laura W.) asking for grapevine donations to

distribute in various Treatment facilities. Needs QR CODE stickers for literature.

Website (Mark H.) Alt. (Ted S.) working on how to improve website use for

mobile devise users.

Motion to Adjourn. Lorrie,7:04

Responsibility Statement

"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: St. Gilbert's Church, Sunday, February 23, 2025 Traditions meeting at 5:30pm District Meeting at 6:00pm