District 05 meeting February 8, 2017 6:45pm opened with Serenity Prayer Introductions

# Secretary Report: Derek B.

- Read last month's minute highlights
- Passed around new contact sheet, it's blank so please provide your e-mails
- Please try to get reports to me before the meeting you're due to give a report, typing it in the body of the e-mail is acceptable

# No objections to approving last months minutes.

# Treasure Report: Mary B.

• See end of this report

#### DCM Report: Bryon B.

- The planned meeting with the Webmaster, Andy B was postponed due to a family matter. We are now planning to have a test web site up for the next District meeting in March.
- Participated in the monthly DCM conference call for Area 74. One of the discussion items was the importance of workshops. It seems all present had stories that something always good came out of having a workshop, even if attendance was low. Another item for discussion was about disruptive behavior at meetings. Shortly there after we received an email from our Delegate with a document covering that exact subject. I assume that discussion point was brought to his attention. It is a good document to review.
- We, as a District, should start planning now for the delegates workshop and the Spring Conference in Michigan.
- I am planning on meeting with an AA member in District 06, recently dim district, to discuss getting the general service structure going up there again

#### Alternate DCM: Jim P.

• See new business on workshops

#### PI: Mvron M.

- The committee held its first regular meeting of 2017 on Wednesday, January 18<sup>th</sup> with 7 members in attendance. We reviewed committee activities for 2016, and discussed our goals for 2017.
- We will do two major mailing projects this year. One will provide updated meeting
  lists and contact information to every hotel and motel in the District. The other will
  provide the same information to every place of worship in the district. Work to
  update both databases has begun. We will hold off on these mailings until the
  rebuilding of the district's meeting list has been accomplished.
- Work will also continue on both the Schools project and the Senior Citizens project.
- Finally, we assembled 35 information packets for another round of AA presentations at Programs for Change, an outpatient treatment program in Hudson, WI.

• Our next regular meeting will be held Wednesday, March 15th at the River Falls Alano Club. The meeting starts at 6:30PM. All members who wish to do service for AA are welcome to attend.

## **CPC: Robert S.**

- UW Stout presentation is coming up February 14, 2017
- "Senior America Day" on the UWEC campus will be June 6, 2017
- Schools project (PI) Mailings complete, follow up calls and hand off to PI will happen soon
- CPC continues to try to establish relationships with Mayo and Sacred Heart Hospitals
- CPC requests anyone with leads or ideas for CPC presentations to contact any committee member or attend our meetings to share them

### Treatment: Sara D.

- During our last meeting we went through the coordinator binders to make sure everyone was on the same page in regards to what each one contained.
- I will be ordering more pamphlets and giving those to coordinators in the very near future.
- Ashley B. stepped down as Fahrman Center coordinator so we have an open spot to fill for that.
- Coordinators must have one year of sobriety and be actively involved in the AA program.
- We are in the process of sending speakers into Affinity House again.
- The list of speakers going into facilities continues to slowly grow.
- Requesting \$120 to pay annual rent (no need to vote as annual budget hasn't been met yet)

#### **Corrections: Ken P.**

- The programs coordinator for the Dunn County Jail requested an additional women's meeting be held in the Dunn County facility if we had available volunteers. As of this time we will be taking in one meeting a month. Normally the first Wednesday of the month, but at times on weekends, depending on volunteer schedules.
- Three new male volunteers have been approved by the county for taking AA meetings into the EC County Jail. The orientation is February 8, 2017, so they will be added to the jail meeting schedule very soon.
- We distributed all Big Books purchased last year, so another order will be placed this month. Bill will be presented at the next meeting.
- We continue to have meetings in county jails and support meetings in the Stanley and Chippewa Falls prisons.
- A reminder that anyone interested in being of service to incarcerated alcoholics is welcome to attend meetings of the District 05 Corrections Committee. Meetings are held at 7:45 pm the first Wednesday of each month in the small building of Club 12 in Eau Claire.

#### Special Accommodations: John P.

• We are still looking for ideas of where we can be of service.

• The committee has not met for a couple of months but will meet next on the first Monday of April at Dish and Spoon Café 208 N. Main St. River Falls, WI 54022.

# Wicypaa: Katie J.

- Eau Claire won the bid for the 2018 conference
- Elections for the Host Committee, taking place on February 19, 2017 at 1:00pm at club 12 in Eau Claire
  - If you want to be a part of planning the conference and you have room to grow you're welcome to attend, or contact Katie with questions
- The check that was returned by Area 74 from Wicypaa was split into 3 equal parts and sent to CVIG, Green Bay Intergroup, and the General Service Office in New York

#### CVIG: Rob

- Recently placed large book order
- Put a majority of Wicypaa check into a savings account for reserve
- Chris K. is the new cell phone coordinator

#### **Group Updates:**

• The Beginners Meeting (Unitarian Universalist – Eau Claire) is have 5 year birthday party, see flyer sent out earlier this month

### **Old Business:**

- Grapevine vacancy: No nominations
  - o Bring to your groups for suitable candidates

#### **New Business:**

- Discussion on how to prepare for the delegates workshop
  - O Given the workshop (March 11th) and the next district meeting (March 8th) occur so close to each other and we don't have a copy of the workshop agenda yet (typically mailed out by the delegate around the 2nd week in February), should we consider meeting before next month's district meeting to review the items on the agenda before the planned district meeting March 8th?
  - Should we create a conference call or online discussion board to generate ideas to talk about at our next district meeting?
  - Forward related agenda items to each committee and ask for their input on the topic?
  - Should we have a district wide workshop?
  - o Gary S.: Brian will be e-mailing out a large document with background information on all of the agenda topics, without familiarity of this document, many of the topics are hard to speak about. Reading this document before going to the delegate workshop is the biggest tool you have to represent your group as an informed member
  - Motion made to have a pre-delegate workshop on Saturday February 25th, 2017 location to be determined.

- Motion passed, keep an eye out for more information on this workshop
- Discussion on 3 proposed committee open house workshop to be held annually in River Falls, Menomonie, and Eau Claire
  - Giving each committee a station for information about their purpose (To be staged at the big speaker meeting in each major city in the district)

## **GSR Sharing Session:**

- It would be helpful to have workshops covering step-work
  - o Jim P. will take the lead on assisting in planning a workshop

# **Open Sharing Session:**

- Eleva Potluck coming up on April 8th, 2017
- Prescott Traveling Potluck coming up on March 25th, 2017 (flyer to follow)
- Club 12 Banquet coming up on March 11th

Next Month's Meeting - March 8th, 2017 - Delegates Workshop preparation