

District 28 Business Meeting, NIA 20
St. Michael's Episcopal Church * ZOOM
647 Dundee Ave., Barrington, IL 60010
January 3, 2022, 6:30 PM
MINUTES

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Moment of Silence, Serenity Prayer

Introductions

Anniversaries, Birthdays

Johnna, 10 years!

Attendees

- | | | |
|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| • Holly G. | • Claire B. | • Cynthia B. |
| • Heather H. | • Doug D. | • Al U. |
| • Tracy D. | • Nicole | • Peggie |
| • Johnna I. | • Robert G | • Angel S. |
| • Kate M. | • Curt S. | |

Officer Reports

SECRETARY (MINUTES): CLAIRE B./OPEN

TREASURER'S REPORT: CURT S./OPEN

- Some discussion on distribution of the \$1264.08 which is above our prudent reserve and available for distribution.
- **MOTION:** Send 100% of the \$1264.08 to GSO (Al/Doug D, 2nd, passed unanimously

DCM/ALTERNATE REPORT: JOHNNNA I./TRACY D.

Announcements

- We are Not Saints convention is coming up Jan. 14-16, 1-5 pm, virtual event.
<https://wearenotsaints.com/>
- **Virtual speaker meeting is Jan. 15 at 6pm CST. New Meeting ID and password!**
 - **Meeting ID:** 896 546 1954
 - **Passcode:** RECOVERY

Visitors

Upcoming Events

1. Winter Committee Meeting/SERVICE ORIENTATION – Jan. 8, (Flyer, Letter and Agenda)
Link to register: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUucuoopjwiEtPxNr-1huxdfmgtezOXtCDS>
2. All Areas Open Meeting for Accessibility Committee Members – Jan. 10th & 24th 7 p.m. (Flyer)

District 28 Business Meeting, NIA 20
St. Michael's Episcopal Church * ZOOM
647 Dundee Ave., Barrington, IL 60010
January 3, 2022, 6:30 PM

MINUTES

3. NIA 20 Grapevine Workshop - Jan. 13th 7 p.m.
 - Join Zoom Meeting [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8385 3282292?pwd=MXFzdWRvb1k3NEdEZHIPL3MxdIpKUT0](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83853282292?pwd=MXFzdWRvb1k3NEdEZHIPL3MxdIpKUT0)
 - Meeting ID: 838 5328 2292 Passcode: grapevine

Committee Reports

ANSWERING SERVICE: SEAN C./OPEN

- Absent, no report

ARCHIVES: OPEN/OPEN

- Peggy has the archives when we have a new archives chair.

BRIDGING THE GAP: DAVID L./OPEN

- David was out of the country but is back. Robert C. will check in with him.

CPC/PI: OPEN/OPEN

CORRECTIONS: OPEN/OPEN

GRAPEVINE: OPEN/OPEN

LITERATURE: DOUG D./OPEN

- Still updating schedule
- Have Preamble cards on order

NEWSLETTER: BARB S./OPEN

- Absent, no report

ACCESSIBILITY & SPECIAL NEEDS: OPEN/OPEN

TREATMENT FACILITIES: HEATHER H./LINDA B.

- No updates at this time.
- Always looking for people to go into Share for men's and women's groups. Currently, Share is closed to outsiders due to Covid-19.

WEBSITE: KATE M./OPEN

- Updated most of the links and meeting information.
- If anyone has information about meetings switching back over to virtual, please email Katie.

Old Business

1. Budget Reviewed and approved unanimously.
2. District speaker meeting update

District 28 Business Meeting, NIA 20
St. Michael's Episcopal Church * ZOOM
647 Dundee Ave., Barrington, IL 60010
January 3, 2022, 6:30 PM

MINUTES

3. **Open positions for 2022 - 2024:** Archives (Chair), Bridging the Gap (Alt. Chair), Corrections (Chair and Alt. Chair), Grapevine (Chair and Alt. Chair), Literature (Alt. Chair), Treasurer (Alt. Chair), Accessibility/Special Needs, Treatment (Chair and Alt. Chair), CPC/PI (Chair and Alt. Chair), Newsletter (Alt Chair)

New Business

1. Next District Meeting is Monday, Feb. 7, at 6:30 PM on Zoom.

GSR Reports/Open Mic

GSR	Meeting	Update
Peggie G.	12&12 Still at It	Meeting in person but have now gone to masks required. Might possibly go back to Zoom, but right now still in person.
Holly G	Women's Way Wed. 7pm	Remain a virtual meeting.
Doug D.	Wed. Lake Zurich 12&12	In person, masks required, attendance is average 20-25 people.
Tracy D.	Sun. 9am Early Birds	Hybrid, in-person attendance is low.
Al U.	Sun. Big Book at St. Paul's	In-person, with a virtual format available.
Angel S.	Tu/Th Sober Sisters	Zoom only,
Bob G.	Tu. Real Time Group	Avg. 15-20 people in person at St. Michael's
Nicole E.	No Name Group, Sun. 10:30	We read first 164 pp of Alcoholics Anonymous. Hybrid, masks required for in-person attendees.
Cynthia B	*am Sat. Sisters in Sobriety	Hybrid, in-person masks required.
Kate M.	Sun. newcomer meeting 11am	Hybrid. Location may be changing in the future.

Adjourn/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.

District 28 - December 2021 Budget Summary

District Committee	2022 Budget	Used To Date	Balance
Answering Service	\$850.00	(\$35.84)	\$397.76
Archives	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$82.84
Corrections	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
CPC/PI	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
DCM	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
Grapevine	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Literature	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.34
Misc. Dist. Expenses	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Newsletter	\$225.00	\$0.00	\$225.00
Rent for Church	\$360.00	\$0.00	\$360.00
Schedule Printing	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
Secretary	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$2.03
Special Needs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Treasurer	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$24.00
Treatment Facilities	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$600.00
Website	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$107.00
Workshop	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00

Total Budget	\$5,135.00	(\$35.84)	\$5,099.16
---------------------	-------------------	------------------	-------------------

District 28 Contributions		\$180.00	\$180.00
Sprint	(\$35.84)		(\$35.84)
	(\$35.84)	\$180.00	\$144.16

District 28 - 2021 Budget Summary

District Committee	2021 Budget	Used To Date	Balance
Answering Service	\$850.00	(\$452.24)	\$397.76
Archives	\$150.00	(\$67.16)	\$82.84
Corrections	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
CPC/PI	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
DCM	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
Grapevine	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Literature	\$200.00	\$0.34	\$200.34
Misc. Dist. Expenses	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Newsletter	\$225.00	\$0.00	\$225.00
Rent for Church	\$360.00	\$0.00	\$360.00
Schedule Printing	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
Secretary	\$150.00	(\$147.97)	\$2.03
Special Needs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Treasurer	\$200.00	(\$176.00)	\$24.00
Treatment Facilities	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$600.00
Website	\$250.00	(\$143.00)	\$107.00
Workshop	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00

Total Budget \$5,135.00 (\$986.03) \$4,148.97

Beginning of Year Balance		\$1,860.26	\$1,860.26
2021 Budget Expenses	(\$1,153.03)	\$167.00	(\$986.03)
District 28 Contributions		\$3,910.60	\$3,910.60
GSO Distributions	(\$1,951.00)		(\$1,951.00)
NIA 20 Distributions	(\$286.00)		(\$286.00)
	(\$3,390.03)	\$5,937.86	\$2,547.83

Prudent Reserve (25%) \$1,283.75
 Available for Distributions **\$1,264.08**

2021 Transaction Detail

Committee	Type	Date	Description	Provider	Check #	Account#/Group #	Amount
Answering Service	Debit	01/06/21	District Phone	Sprint		578478468	(\$39.07)
Literature	Debit	01/10/21	AA Books	Bob Rettberg (GSO)	514		(\$166.66)
District 28 Contributions	Credit	01/11/21	Contribution	Unknown			\$360.00
District 28 Contributions	Credit	02/04/21	Contribution	Wednesday Night Beginners Group	2547	175535	\$225.00
District 28 Contributions	Credit	02/08/21	Contribution	Unknown			\$367.40
Answering Service	Debit	02/09/21	District Phone	Sprint		578478468	(\$39.27)
Literature	Credit	02/22/21	AA Books Reimburseme	Bob Rettberg (GSO)	1747		\$167.00
Secretary	Debit	02/23/21	Zoom Renewal	Zoom	515	3013947632	(\$147.97)
Answering Service	Debit	03/11/21	District Phone	Sprint		578478468	(\$39.27)
Website	Debit	03/19/21	License Renewal Fees	TUCOWS.COM, 123eHOST	516		(\$121.00)
District 28 Contributions	Credit	04/16/21	Contribution	Sisters in Sobriety	2345		\$303.20
Answering Service	Debit	04/18/21	District Phone	Sprint		578478468	(\$39.27)
District 28 Contributions	Credit	05/03/21	Contribution	Unknown			\$40.00
Archives	Debit	05/03/21	Supplies	Office Depot	517		(\$67.16)
GSO Distributions	Debit	05/10/21	GSO Distribution	GSO	518		(\$857.00)
Answering Service	Debit	05/18/21	District Phone	Sprint		578478468	(\$38.72)
District 28 Contributions	Credit	05/18/21	Contribution	Monday Night Serenity Group	103743	658285	\$360.00
District 28 Contributions	Credit	06/05/21	Contribution	St. Anne's Saturday Morning	162	104365	\$294.00
District 28 Contributions	Credit	06/06/21	Contribution	Lake Zurich 12&12	107		\$113.00
District 28 Contributions	Credit	06/11/21	Contribution	Bellerman's	1442		\$150.00
Website	Debit	06/11/21	License Renewal Fees	123eHost	520		(\$22.00)
District 28 Contributions	Credit	06/13/21	Contribution	Sunday Morning Open Meeting	6077	84031	\$50.00
NIA 20 Distributions	Debit	06/15/21	NIA 20 Distribution	NIA Area 20	519		(\$286.00)
Answering Service	Debit	06/18/21	District Phone	Sprint		578478468	(\$38.72)
District 28 Contributions	Credit	06/28/21	Contribution	Wednesday Night Beginners Group	2459	175535	\$80.00
Answering Service	Debit	07/09/21	District Phone	Sprint		578478468	(\$38.72)
District 28 Contributions	Credit	07/15/21	Contribution	Thursday Night Men's Big Book	608	27100	\$105.00
Treasurer	Debit	07/24/21	Post Office Box	USPS	521		(\$176.00)
District 28 Contributions	Credit	07/28/21	Contribution?	Unknown			\$20.00
District 28 Contributions	Credit	08/02/21	Contribution	Wednesday Night Beginners Group		175535	\$100.00
GSO Distributions	Debit	08/07/21	GSO Distribution	GSO	522		(\$1,094.00)
District 28 Contributions	Credit	08/13/21	Contribution	Sisters in Sobriety		992477	\$218.40

Answering Service	Debit	08/18/21 District Phone	Sprint	578478468	(\$35.84)
District 28 Contributions	Credit	08/25/21 Contribution	Monday Night Serenity Group	658285	\$140.00
District 28 Contributions	Credit	08/25/21 Contribution	Friday Night Living in Recovery		\$142.00
District 28 Contributions	Credit	09/07/21 Contribution	Bellerman's	104399	\$200.00
District 28 Contributions	Credit	09/07/21 Contribution	Tuesday Night Real Time	673285	\$120.00
Answering Service	Debit	09/18/21 District Phone	Sprint	578478468	(\$35.84)
District 28 Contributions	Credit	09/20/21 Contribution	Wed. 7pm Lake Zurich 12&12		\$75.00
District 28 Contributions	Credit	09/24/21 Contribution	St. Anne's Saturday Morning	104365	\$120.00
District 28 Contributions	Credit	10/12/21 Contribution	Wednesday Night Beginners Group	175535	\$70.00
Answering Service	Debit	10/14/21 District Phone	Sprint	578478468	(\$35.84)
Answering Service	Debit	11/14/21 District Phone	Sprint	578478468	(\$35.84)
District 28 Contributions	Credit	11/18/21 Contribution	Sisters in Sobriety	992477	\$77.60
Answering Service	Debit	12/09/21 District Phone	Sprint	578478468	(\$35.84)
District 28 Contributions	Credit	12/16/21 Contribution	Men's Big Book	644 27100	\$60.00
District 28 Contributions	Credit	12/16/21 Contribution	Monday Night Serenity Group	80000021 658285	\$120.00

DCM REPORT Jan. 3rd, 2022

The following were all approved at the December assembly meeting:

1. Motion by the NIA Alternate Delegate to include video conferencing capabilities at NIA Assemblies, Committee Meetings, and the Pre-General Service Workshop.
2. Proposed 2022 Primary Purpose Register review.
3. Proposed 2022 Area Events Calendar review.

The committee meeting on Saturday Jan. 8th includes a **service orientation for new GSRs and DCMs**. Flyer, Letter and agenda were attached.

NIA 20 open positions:

- a. Accessibilities – Alternate
- b. Answering Service – Chair and Alternate
- c. Archives – Chair and Alternate
- d. Bridge the Gap – Alternate
- e. CPC – Chair and Alternate f. Grapevine – Chair and Alternate
- g. Literature – Chair and Alternate
- h. Treatment – Chair and Alternate

As soon as the minutes from the Dec. Assembly meeting are available, I will share them out.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

2022 Winter Committee Meeting *final agenda*January 8th, 2022

Virtual meeting via Zoom

This anonymity protected agenda is posted on the NIA website. However, we do encourage the use of full names when speaking at the “virtual” microphone. This meeting will be recorded, as usual, for reference and use by our recording secretary.

[Use this link to pre-register for the meeting](#). Once registered, you will receive meeting access details.

Time	Item
8:00am	Meeting room opens for fellowship
9:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call to order • Quiet time • Serenity Prayer • Announcements for today (Carmela R) • First time attendees • Anniversaries since September Fall Assembly • Approval of minutes from Summer Committee Meeting. These were e-mailed to the Area Committee on September 22, 2021.
9:15	Delegate report (Chirs D)
9:35	Treasury reports (Allen J, Jeff L)
9:50	Service Workshop (Erik L)
11:20	15-minute break
11:35	Officer reports (five-minute limit) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alternate Delegate – Erik L. • Chair – Rob M. • Alternate Chair – Dawn B. • Registrar – Chris E. • Alternate Registrar – Christy B • Secretary – Kate D. • Alternate Secretary- Sue M.
11:50	Conference reports (10 minutes each) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2022 East Central Regional and IL State Conference (Michael L, Charles H)

Time	Item																												
12:00	<p><u>Old Business</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Open elected positions review <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Accessibilities – Alternate Answering Service – Chair and Alternate Archives – Chair and Alternate Bridge the Gap – Alternate CPC – Chair and Alternate Grapevine – Chair and Alternate Literature – Chair and Alternate Treatment – Chair and Alternate Bids for 2022 Big Book Conference - <i>The bid should be prepared and submitted one (1) year prior to the conference at the NIA Summer Assembly. The bid shall include a detailed budget and other details concerning the Conference location or facility.</i> - Planning Procedures, pg.15. We will accept bids at the upcoming Winter Assembly. 																												
12:20	<p>New Business</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Appointed Positions and Committees 																												
12:30	<p>DCM Reports – 26 Districts (three-minute limit)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As a second year DCM, please feel free to provide a brief report - two-minute limit. NEW DCMs – we’d love to meet you so please come to the mic with your alternate and introduce yourselves even if you don’t have a full report yet. 																												
1:00	<p>Service and administrative committee* introductions Given everyone is new, please come to the mic (chairs AND alternates) and introduce yourselves. We will not be hearing full reports today. Feel free to submit written reports to me and the Area Secretary if there is something you’d like included in the minutes.</p> <table border="0"> <tbody> <tr> <td>• Accessibilities</td><td>Open</td></tr> <tr> <td>• Answering Service</td><td>Open</td></tr> <tr> <td>• Archives</td><td>Open</td></tr> <tr> <td>• Archivist</td><td>Ray M.</td></tr> <tr> <td>• Concepts</td><td>Robert S.</td></tr> <tr> <td>• Cooperation w/ the Professional Community</td><td>Open</td></tr> <tr> <td>• Corrections</td><td>Phil M., George P Jr.</td></tr> <tr> <td>• Electronic Equipment</td><td>Joey B</td></tr> <tr> <td>• Grapevine</td><td>Open</td></tr> <tr> <td>• Literature</td><td>Open</td></tr> <tr> <td>• Public Information</td><td>Lisa S., Ed M.</td></tr> <tr> <td>• Treatment Facilities</td><td>Open</td></tr> <tr> <td>• Technology Committee</td><td>Earl H.</td></tr> <tr> <td>• Web Administrator</td><td>Earl H</td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>*Admin committees <i>not reporting</i> today - Conference Advisory Committee, Finance Committee, Operating Committee, Report & Charter Committee</p>	• Accessibilities	Open	• Answering Service	Open	• Archives	Open	• Archivist	Ray M.	• Concepts	Robert S.	• Cooperation w/ the Professional Community	Open	• Corrections	Phil M., George P Jr.	• Electronic Equipment	Joey B	• Grapevine	Open	• Literature	Open	• Public Information	Lisa S., Ed M.	• Treatment Facilities	Open	• Technology Committee	Earl H.	• Web Administrator	Earl H
• Accessibilities	Open																												
• Answering Service	Open																												
• Archives	Open																												
• Archivist	Ray M.																												
• Concepts	Robert S.																												
• Cooperation w/ the Professional Community	Open																												
• Corrections	Phil M., George P Jr.																												
• Electronic Equipment	Joey B																												
• Grapevine	Open																												
• Literature	Open																												
• Public Information	Lisa S., Ed M.																												
• Treatment Facilities	Open																												
• Technology Committee	Earl H.																												
• Web Administrator	Earl H																												

1:10	Open microphone (one-minute limit) This is your chance to go raise your hand and share about things like: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Something going on in your local community you want to invite us to.• Something about your group, district, or committee work.• Recognize or thank someone for their service.• Any other AA or NIA related announcements.
1:20	Let's adjourn! 😊 Responsibility Statement <i>I am responsible...</i> <i>When anyone, anywhere,</i> <i>reaches out for help, I want</i> <i>the hand of A.A. always to be there.</i> <i>And for that: I am responsible.</i>
<i>The principal function of Northern Illinois service area 20 is to be a forum for effective communication between the Groups and the General Service Conference through its Delegate. NIA assists its Districts, Groups, and members to carry the message to the alcoholic who still suffers by conducting workshops, sharing sessions and seminars in all fields of general service along with other service activities.</i>	



January 1, 2022

2022 Winter Committee Meeting Cover Letter

Welcome to the Panel 72 NIA 20 Committee, I am so excited to get to serve with you. Hope everyone had a good holiday season. Boy, Covid does not want to let up and although we hoped to do this first meeting of 2022 hybrid, the latest explosion has forced us to push that off to later in the year. So, this meeting will be remote (Zoom) only. Please help me thank District 23 for stepping up to host, but we will have to use their services in the future. This district's enthusiasm is contagious and I'm very grateful.

Even though we are still stuck in Zoom mode, we will get a great opportunity for learning with Erik L. service orientation workshop. The focus this year is on the GSR and DCM. I look forward to a great session.

These next few weeks are always a real busy season for us. We undergo the work of preparing our delegate, Chris D., to attend the General Service Conference in NY (hopefully). It can seem like a tall order. We will get agenda items and background material, we cascade it to our GSRs and our district committee chairs to talk to each other and groups, and then we assemble at our Pre General Service Conference workshop to share our collective group conscience. If this is all new to you, please reach out and ask for help. Active participation is what makes this work. Above all, we need the voices of our groups. DCMs – please drive this with your GSRs and committee folks and let us know how we can help.

We still have a number of openings. Committee leaders have a great opportunity to help our Districts carry the message with the respective committee responsibilities. If you're here to stand for one of those positions then welcome, we look forward to you standing for election at the next assembly.

Lastly, we are still looking for a Concepts Editor and Co-Editor. Robert has done a great job and we are looking for someone to build on that great work. If you know someone who has a knack for editing then we have an opportunity. Please reach out to me.

Below is the registration link for the meeting, please forward it out to anyone that would like to attend. You will also be able to find the link on the area website at aa-nia.org.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUucuuopjwiEtPxNr-1huxdfmgtezOXtCDS>

In service,

Rob M., Panel 72 NIA 20 Area Chair

SERVICE ORIENTATION WORKSHOP

WHEN: JANUARY 8TH, 2022 AT
THE WINTER COMMITTEE
MEETING

For Incoming GSRs & DCMs

An opportunity for incoming GSR's and DCM's to learn about their role in Area Service. This is workshop is designed to answer questions about the GSR and DCM position and discuss how we do our Area business.

WHERE: ZOOM

[ZOOM MEETING REGISTRATION LINK](#)



Workshop to Cover

Role of the GSR

Role of the DCM

Shared Experience by
a Panel of Trusted
Servants:

QUESTIONS:
CONTACT ERIK L.
630-809-7789

ALL AREA'S OPEN MEETING FOR ANY



COMMITTEE MEMBERS

*Topics and Solutions for our A.A. Members who
cannot find our rooms due to an Accessibility or
Remote challenge.*

EVERY 2ND & 4TH
MONDAY of the MONTH
7pm - 8pm EST

ASL Interpreter provided

Zoom ID: 690-393-7306
PW: Area45

(An open meeting to all Group, District, Area and Intergroup,
Accessibility Committee members and Area Panel Officers)

More info: area47aacontact@gmail.com