District 28 Business Meeting, NIA 20

St. Michael's Episcopal Church * ZOOM 647 Dundee Ave., Barrington, IL 60010

March 6, 2023, 6:30 PM Minutes of Meeting

Meeting Called to Order: Tracy D./DCM

<u>Moment of Silence, Serenity Prayer – 3^{rd} Concept</u>: To insure effective leadership, we should endow each element of A.A.-the Conference, the General Service Board and its service corporations, staffs, committees, and executives-with a traditional "Right of Decision."

Introductions: Welcome Chris D. - Panel 72 Delegate NIA 20!

Anniversaries, Birthdays: - Congratulations Holly 15 years on 2/29 and Curt 14 years on 2/23!

Attendees:

Al U.	Johnna I.	Susan	Curt S.
Tracy D.	Holly G.	Doug	Andrea O.
Sarah R. David L.	Angel S. Gregg M.	Kate M. Kevin F.	Barb S. Chris D.
Steve H.	Lisa M.		

Officer Reports:

- 1. <u>Secretary</u> (Minutes): Andrea O. February 6, 2023 minutes approved (zoom id for district meeting: 891 7460 3995, passcode: SERVICE)
- <u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Curt S. Curt provided the district 28 February 2023 budget summary (Feb. contributions: \$377.00; Feb. expenses: \$1,268.83; YTD contributions: \$3,037.35, expenses: \$1,445.98 – ending YTD balance: \$1,581.37 – prudent reserve: \$1,283.75)
- 3. <u>DCM Report</u>: Tracy D. Tracy attending the Spring Conference and Assembly March 10-12 at Hyatt, Schaumburg.
- 4. <u>Delegate's Presentation</u>:
 - a. Chris D. gave a great presentation showing how the AA service structure works. (The slide deck he showed us is attached to the email with the meeting minutes.)
 - b. Chris will attend the General Service Conference in April. You can copy and paste the link for the background material and final agenda items but please remember this is a confidential document not for public posting: <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Huv_uCtO-</u> <u>T1Et44pGwm3GzJRcE5hae3L/view?usp=drivesdk</u>
 - c. In AA, the groups have final authority and responsibility. Our delegate collects and receives group consciences, listens, reports back.

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- d. Groups elect GSR's (General Service Representatives) who provide their group's conscience at District and Area functions, elect and inform their delegate and report back to their group.
- e. Our Area 20 has 4 Area Assemblies each year. Illinois has 3 Areas:
 - i. Area 19 (Cook County);
 - ii. Area 20 (Northern Illinois);
 - iii. Area 21 (Southern Illinois).
- f. Each Area elects a Delegate to go to the General Service Conference each year where important AA matters are discussed. Each Delegate is assigned to a Committee.
- g. Our Delegate serves on the Finance and Archives Committees.
- h. AA has 8 Regions
 - i. Our East Central Region includes 5 states (WI, IL, IN, MI, OH)
 - ii. Each Region elects a Trustee (often a past delegate) who represents the region on the General Service Board, who has oversight over the AA Corporate Board.

Upcoming Events:

- 1. <u>March 10-12</u> <u>2023 NIA 20 Spring Conference and Assembly:</u> Hyatt Schaumburg "In the Spirit of Love and Service" Hosted by District 22 and 23 Registration: \$30
- 2. <u>April 23-29</u> 73rd General Service Conference
- 3. November 4, 2023 Big Book Conference (Lord of Life Church)
- 4. <u>December 9, 2023</u> <u>Winter Assembly</u> (WE/DISTRICT 28 are hosting this!)

Old Business:

We have LOTS of Open Positions! Tell your groups!

DCM/Alt DCM: Tracy D./Open Secretary/Alt: Andrea O./Open Treasurer/Alt: Curt S./Open Answering Service: Sean C./Open Archives: Open/Open Bridging the Gap: David L./Open CPC/PI: Kevin K./Open Corrections: Mike M./Ron W Grapevine: Open /Open Literature: Doug D./Open Newsletter: Barb S./Open

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Accessibility/Special Needs: Open/Open Treatment: Linda B/Open. Website: Kate M./Open

New Business

- 1. Lisa M. stood for Literature Chair, qualified and was unanimously elected! Welcome Lisa! Thank you to Doug for your service!
- 2. The Spring edition of the Concepts newsletter is out and Tracy sent us all the digital copy (attached to email with minutes) Thank you Barb! Looks great!
- 3. In January, we voted to keep District 28 meetings via Zoom for 3 months. We will discuss in person District meetings or hybrid, etc. at the next meeting.
- 4. <u>Next District Meeting is Monday, April 3, 2023, at 6:30 PM on Zoom</u> (link is on District 28 website
 - a. Zoom ID: 891 7460 3995
 - b. Passcode: Service

GSR Reports/Open Mic

Due to the late hour, we deferred GSR/Committee Reports. Corrections Alt Chair, Ron W. sent an email report that he is approved to attend meetings at the McHenry jail and he and Mike will be back in April.

Adjourn/Responsibility Statement

Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 7:44 P.M.

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.