

District 28 Business Meeting, NIA 20
St. Michael's Episcopal Church * ZOOM
647 Dundee Ave., Barrington, IL 60010

August 7, 2023, 6:30 PM
Minutes of Meeting

Meeting Called to Order: Tracy D./DCM – **our 3rd Hybrid meeting**

Moment of Silence, Serenity Prayer – Concept VIII: The Trustees of the General Service Board act in two primary capacities: (a) With respect to the larger matters of over-all policy and finance, they are the principal planners and administrators. They and their primary committees directly manage these affairs. (b) But with respect to our separately incorporated and constantly active services, the relation of the Trustees is mainly that of full stock ownership and of custodial oversight which they exercise through their ability to elect all directors of these entities.

Anniversaries, Birthdays: – Al was 77 years young on June 24! Happy Birthday!

Attendees:

Holly G.	Sean C.	Andrea O.	Al
Sarah K.	Angel S.	Jeanne-Marie L.	Tracy D.
Kevin F.	Barb S.	Mike M.	
Lisa M.	Curt S.		
Gregg M.	Kevin F.	Johnna I.	

Officer Reports:

1. Secretary (Minutes): Andrea O. – July 10, 2023 minutes approved. Andrea will include the Zoom link in the email with next month's minutes.
2. Treasurer's Report: Curt S. - Curt provided the District 28 July 2023 Budget Summary. Rent is paid to the church through the 3rd quarter. – (July contributions: \$358.20; July expenses: \$37.05 answering service; \$230.00 misc. district expenses; \$269.50 Schedule/Newcomer Packet printing; YTD contributions: \$5,329.6350, expenses: \$2,325.98– ending YTD balance: \$3,003.85 – prudent reserve: \$1,283.75) Curt transferred 22% of inactive committee budgets to Literature for the schedule printing and pamphlets for newcomer packets. Curt noted that at the end of the year, our district transfers any amount over our prudent reserve to NIA and GSO.

Encourage your groups to contribute to the District!

3. DCM Report: Tracy D. – The Illinois State Conference is August 18-20 in Schaumburg and we need a good turnout from our district! Tracy gave highlights from the Summer Committee Meeting on August 5, 2023: 3 main motions were brought: 1. Amend NIA Service Manual to include Green Can (contributions for treatment – there is currently no Area Treatment Chair); 2. Add the Registrar to the bylaws so they may vote; 3. Add Spanish translators for NIA meetings and conferences and purchase headset(s) for translation. Estimated cost - \$3,100.00. **Our district will be hosting the December 9, 2023 Winter Assembly.**

GSR Reports/Open Mic

Holly: Wed. 7pm Women's Way –Zoom only meeting; Averages 10-14 women.

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Angel: Tues/Thurs. Sober Sisters – in person meeting at Stillwaters; averages 7-14 women
Sarah: Sunday Morning No Name - Hybrid group for now – 5-10 meeting attendees on avg.
Gregg: Lake Zurich 12 & 12 — 10-15 average attendees; having business meeting
Al: St. Paul Sunday 7:30pm – average 4-9 people
Sean: Bellerman – in person, about 25-30 men
Mike: On the Brinker Saturday 8:30am – in person, 25-30 men on average – spin off of St. Anne's meeting
Susan: Sunday 9:00 AM Early Bird Lake Zurich –25-30 average; Zoom available but fading attendance
Kevin F. – Still At It – Wed. nite – 5-10 average attendance
Kate: Stillwaters Sunday 11:30am – hybrid
Barb: Ela Wednesday nite 7pm – 15 people
Kevin K. for Tom K.: Tuesday Night Real Time – men's, in person averages 20-25 people.
Johnna: Saturday 8:00am Sisters in Sobriety – Zoom only. Averages 30. Some members are taking meetings to women at SHARE treatment center.
Jeanne Marie L: MWF 9:30AM Women's Big Book/12&12/Women's Way Through the 12 Steps in person at Stillwaters – 10-15 members on avg.

NIA 20 Upcoming Events:

1. August 18-20 IL 50th Annual Illinois State Conference (Area 19) Schaumburg, IL Hyatt Hotel – ***we need a good turnout at the conference from our district.***
2. September 16 Fall Assembly + Board Meeting & Elections
3. October 7 Fall Committee Meeting (District 21) Lord of Life Church Elburn
4. November 4 IL Annual Big Book Conference (District 61) Lord of Life Church Elburn
5. November 17-19 East Central Region Forum (East Central Region/Area 54)
Independence, OH – Double Tree by Hilton
6. **December 9 Winter Assembly-Board Meeting (District 28 is hosting! Need at least 8 volunteers for check in, food, cleanup etc.)**
7. March 1-3, 2024 Spring Conference.

Other Upcoming Events:

34th Annual Soberfest November 17-19, 2023

2025 International AA Conference in Vancouver, Canada – registration will open soon.

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Answering Service/Alt: Mark P./Open: [At the July meeting, Mark P. was elected to be new Answering Service Chair]. **We need groups to carry the phone in September, 2023.**

Archives/Alt: Open/ Open

Bridging the Gap/Alt: [June - David L./Open: SHARE treatment facility is in need of women volunteers to speak at meetings; 1st and 3rd Mondays. Volunteers must complete a form and proof of vaccination to be approved to attend.]

CPC/PI/Alt: Kevin K./Open – Kevin and his committee dropped off pamphlets to Kildeer and Barrington police departments, as well as Deer Park Senior Living, Esperia Senior Living. Purchase of rack(s) for literature at these locations was discussed. Kevin K. will find out from Area PI/CPC chair if alternate racks can be used, or do we have to use ones from GSO? Kevin K. will send Barb his flyer for the newsletter. More stickers with district phone number & website are needed for pamphlets. Andrea will bring meeting schedules to SHARE.

Corrections/Alt: Mike M./ Ron W: Sean took Big Books to McHenry County jail and will bring District 28 meeting schedules. Working on Lake County jail.

Grapevine/Alt: Open /Open

Literature/Alt: Lisa M/Open: **Lisa brought printed meeting schedules for distribution.** Ordered Newcomer Packets pamphlets (500 of the 8 pamphlets – 4 still on “back order”) Lisa will bring the old pamphlets to the next meeting so we can decide: keep 1 of each of the old/outdated pamphlets and scan for archives or repurpose perhaps for jail/treatment.

Johnna noted there is a literature rack at Stillwaters that may need to be replenished.

Newsletter/Alt: Barb S./Open: The newsletter is done and she will run copies and email it to us and Kate for website.

Accessibility/Special Needs/Alt: Open/Open

Treatment/Alt: Gregg M./Open: –SHARE is looking for female volunteers. There was some discussion about possibly combining some committees that have overlap (ie. Treatment, PI/CPC, Bridging the Gap etc.)

Website/Alt: Kate M./Open: No report. Kate has a recurring meeting that conflicts with the district meeting. If we have issues, email Kate.

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Old Business:

We have LOTS of Open Positions!

NOTE: *The current Treasurer, Public Information/Cooperation with the Professional Community and Webmaster committee chairpersons will rotate out in November - Tell your groups!*

DCM/Alt DCM: Tracy D./Open
Secretary/Alt: Andrea O./Open
Treasurer/Alt: Curt S./Open
Answering Service: Mark P./Open
Archives: Open/Open
Bridging the Gap: David L./Open
CPC/PI: Kevin K./Open
Corrections: Mike M./Ron W
Grapevine: Open/Open
Literature: Lisa M./Open
Newsletter: Barb S./Open
Accessibility/Special Needs: Open/Open
Treatment: Gregg M./Open.
Website: Kate M./Open

New Business:

1. The hybrid in-person and on Zoom meeting still has a few glitches with mic, sound, etc.- working on it!
2. **Next District Meeting is Monday, September 11, 2023, at 6:30 PM IN PERSON & on Zoom** (link is on District 28 website in 2 places)
 - a. **Zoom ID: 891 7460 3995**
 - b. **Passcode: SERVICE**

Adjourn/Responsibility Statement

Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 7:30 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.