

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

September 11, 2023, 6:30 PM
Minutes of Meeting

Meeting Called to Order: Tracy D./DCM – our 4th Hybrid meeting

Moment of Silence, Serenity Prayer – Concept IX: Good service leaders, together with sound and appropriate methods of choosing them, are at all levels indispensable for our future functioning and safety. The primary world service leadership once exercised by the founders of A.A. must necessarily be assumed by the Trustees of the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Anniversaries, Birthdays: – Happy Anniversary to Sarah K. with 10 years on August 28!

Attendees:

Holly G. (GSR)	Tom K. (GSR)	Andrea O. (Secretary)	Al (GSR)
Sarah K. (GSR)	Angel S. (GSR)	Jeanne-Marie L. (GSR)	Tracy D. (DCM)
Kevin F.(GSR)	Barb S. (Newsletter)	Mike M. (GSR/Corrections)	Susan S. (GSR)
Lisa M. (Lit.)	Curt S. (Treasurer)	Noah	Kate M. (Webmaster)
Gregg M. (GSR)	Johnna I. (GSR)	Mark P. (Answering Service Chair)	
Steve (Treatment)			

Officer Reports:

1. Secretary (Minutes): Andrea O. – August 7, 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 August 2023 Budget Summary in a little different format for easier reading. Rent is paid to the church through the 3rd quarter. **We are due to pay the church the rent on September 30, 2023** – (August contributions: \$500.00; August expenses: \$37.05 answering service; \$723.32 Newcomer packet pamphlets; YTD contributions: \$5,723.83, expenses: \$2,980.35– ending YTD balance: \$2,743.48 – prudent reserve: \$1,283.75) Curt had re-allocated 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. – Tracy is attending Fall Assembly September 16; Treatment chair position is open at Area/NIA. Our Delegate, Chris, sends Tracy a lot of info by email she will forward to us – Secretary will forward as received. The 2025 International AA Meeting will be in Vancouver, Canada – watch for registration to open. AA Grapevine will have App/Podcast as of September 1, 2023. **Our district will be hosting the December 9, 2023 Winter Assembly at Lord of Life Church in Elburn. We need 10-12 volunteers to help with set up, coffee, food. SIGN UP SHEET WILL BE AT OCT. MEETING**

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New Business:

Tracy took the **District's vote** on the 3 Main Motions from the Summer Committee Meeting and will relay at Fall Assembly:

- a. 1. Amend NIA Service Manual to include Green Can (contributions for Treatment – there is currently no Area Treatment Chair – Pink Can is for meetings to pass for separate contributions to Corrections); DISTRICT 28 VOTED TO PASS (the motion language was confusing so 2 were opposed and 1 abstention; 14 yes)
- b. 2. Add the Registrar to the bylaws so they may vote; DISTRICT 28 VOTED NO (language of motion confusing so 9 No votes; 8 Yes votes)
- c. 3. Add Spanish translators for NIA meetings and conferences and purchase headset(s) for translation. Estimated cost - \$3,100.00. DISTRICT 28 VOTED TO PASS (13 yes; 2 no)

Committee Reports:

Answering Service/Alt: Mark P./Open: Groups have been assigned to carry the District Answering Service phone through November. Jeanne Marie's group will take phone in December. Holly's group may take phone in March. Mark will get us numbers of calls for next report – a couple of newcomers called and were met at meetings by AA members.

Archives/Alt: Open/ Open

Bridging the Gap/Alt: No report.

CPC/PI/Alt: Kevin K./Open – No report. Kevin's term is up in November.

Corrections/Alt: Mike M./ Ron W: Area needs a corrections chair.

Grapevine/Alt: Open /Open

Literature/Alt: Lisa M/Open: Received all pamphlets for Newcomer Packets. Will deposit check from District (charge has been \$538.00) May have an "Envelope Stuffing Party" for the Newcomer Packets.

Newsletter/Alt: Barb S./Open: One demo copy of July newsletter done; will print and bring to Ela meeting. Barb's term is up in November.

Accessibility/Special Needs/Alt: Open/Open

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Treatment/Alt: Gregg M./Open: –SHARE is still looking for female volunteers. Andrea and Deirdre brought the new meeting scheduled to SHARE treatment center.

Website/Alt: Kate M./Open: No issues.

Old Business:

LOTS of Open Positions! **GSRs - Tell your groups!**

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

DCM/Alt DCM: Tracy D./Open

Secretary/Alt: Andrea O./Open

***Treasurer/Alt: Curt S./Open – term ends November, 2023**

Answering Service: Mark P./Open

Archives: Open/ Open

Bridging the Gap: David L./Open

***CPC/PI: Kevin K./Open – term ends November, 2023**

Corrections: Mike M./Ron W

Grapevine: Open /Open

Literature: Lisa M./Open

***Newsletter: Barb S./Open –term ends November, 2023**

Accessibility/Special Needs: Open/Open

Treatment: Gregg M./Steve.

***Website: Kate M./Open –term ends November, 2023**

GSR Reports

- Holly: Wed. 7pm Women's Way –Diane S. will be GSR after November. Zoom only meeting; Strong meeting - averages 10-14 women.
- Angel: Tues/Thurs. Sober Sisters – in person meeting at Stillwaters; averages 7-12 women
- Sarah: Sunday Morning No Name - Hybrid group for now – 5-10 meeting attendees on avg.
- Gregg: Lake Zurich 12 & 12 — 12-20 average attendees; potluck being planned
- Al: St. Paul Sunday 7:30pm – Hybrid - average 7 people, up from before
- Sean: Bellerman – in person, has been about 25-30 men
- Mike: On the Brinker Saturday 8:30am – in person, 25 men on average – spin off of St. Anne's meeting

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- Susan: Sunday 9:00 AM Early Bird Lake Zurich –20-25 average; Zoom available but fading attendance
- Kevin F. – Still At It – Wed. nite – 6 + average attendance and a few newcomers on occasion
- Kate: Stillwaters Sunday 11:30am – hybrid
- 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 – 7-14 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 10-12 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.

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.