

District 28 - Barrington & Lake Zurich, NIA 20
April 1, 2024
Monthly Business Meeting Minutes

St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 647 Dundee Avenue, Barrington
Zoom ID: 891 7460 3995, Passcode: SERVICE

NEXT MEETING: May 6, 2024 – 6:30 P.M.

Meeting Called to Order: Tracy D./DCM. Moment of silence, Serenity Prayer.

Tradition 4: Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or AA as a whole.

Introductions/Anniversaries/Birthdays: None – Keep Coming Back!

Attendees: Tracy D., Curt S., Andrea O., Diane S., Heather P., Gregg M., Johnna I., Angel S., Tom K., Lisa M., Nicole E., Jeanne Marie L., Ken F., Susan, Marta.

Visitors: Lisa from Area – CPC Chairperson for NIA 20 and Natalie & Marta. Welcome!

Announcements: Lisa from NIA 20 brought CPC flyers to remind us that we can reach out to members of the professional community like lawyers, DUI schools, churches/non-profits, school staff and students, human resources staff, physicians, psychiatrists about the program; Roughly 25% of AA's Fellowship come through the doors of AA after being introduced to the Program through non-alcoholic professionals. **Contact Lisa GK 815-404-3864 to get involved. District 28 is in need of a Public Information and Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) chairperson(s).**

Officer Reports:

1. Secretary (minutes): Andrea O./Alt. Open – March, 2024 minutes voted as accepted.
2. Treasurer's Report: Curt S./Alt. Open –March 2024 Budget Summary:
 - a. March 2024 Contributions - \$271.00; beginning of the year balance - \$2,695.79; YTD \$3,2843.89
 - b. Expenses - (answering service phone \$37.20 (increase of .16); website \$99.00)
 - c. Prudent Reserve: \$1,283.75
 - d. We are holding off sending contributions 60% GSO/40% to NIA 20/Area until May/June as district contributions are down.
 - e. **Curt's term is up and we need a new treasurer.**
3. DCM Report: Tracy D./Alt. Lisa M.
 - a. Tracy brought the 2024 NIA 20 Calendar of Events;
 - b. Tracy went to the Pre-GSO conference on Zoom; it was very productive; there was conversation and a lot of clarification; Our Area Delegate, Erik got a consensus on some issues.

GSR Reports:

1. Nicole E.: interim GSR for No Name Group meets at Lake Zurich police station Sundays 10:30am, hybrid. 7-10 attendees, more newcomers.
2. Susan: Lake Zurich Early Birds meets at Lake Zurich police station at 9:00 AM-strong meeting, regular 25 attendees, some newcomers; Zoom available – low attendance online.
3. Gregg: Wednesday Lake Zurich 12 & 12, avg. 10-12 attendees on average-some newcomers.
4. Angel: Sunday 11:00 am Newcomers at Stillwaters – group going strong.
5. Heather: GSR Tuesday/Thursday night Sober Sisters women's 12 & 12 and Big Book groups at Stillwaters; meetings doing well – getting newcomers from Footprints in Elgin.
6. Tom: Real Time Tuesday Night, 7:30 pm in person at St. Michael's– strong meeting 25-30 attendees with newcomers.
7. Diane: GSR Wednesday Night 7:00 pm Women's Way 8-12 people on Zoom
8. Johnna: Sisters in Sobriety Saturday 8:00AM Zoom only –attendance 25-35; meeting has a Newcomers/Steps 1, 2, 3 breakout.
9. Jeanne Marie: GSR for MWF 9:30 AM women's meetings at Stillwaters (Big Book; Steps; Women's Way Through the 12 Steps) averaging 10-15 per meeting; helped with hospitality at Spring Conference.
10. Ken F.: New GSR for 8:30AM On the Brinker men's meeting; strong meeting, 30 attendees on average. Taking over for Mike M. who will still be Corrections chair.

Committee Reports:

11. Answering Service: Mark P./Alt Open – No report. **Need groups to take the phone. Contact Mark at: 602-502-6448 anmpounce@hotmail.com.**
12. Archives: OPEN
13. Bridging the Gap: OPEN
14. CPC/PI (Cooperation with the Professional Community/Public Information): **Need new PI/CPC Chair.**
15. Corrections: Mike M./Ron W. – no report – per Ken F., Mike M. is still chair. We will reach out to him for report.
16. Grapevine: OPEN
17. Literature: Lisa M./alt Jeanne Marie: Nothing new – Groups can **email Lisa M. millerzzz4@yahoo.com** to get Newcomer's Packets or come to District Meetings to pick some up for your groups.
18. Newsletter: OPEN.
19. Accessibility/Special Needs: OPEN
20. Treatment: Gregg M./Alt Open – Gregg brought cards with QR codes on them for meeting schedules – will contact NIA 20 Treatment Chairperson to get additional cards.
21. Website: Diane S. District Webmaster – Needs to coordinate with Kate to get the Wordpress User ID and password to be switched over to administrator. It was noted that the district website has an email that needs to be checked or to see if meetings need to be updated. Diane contacting Kate.

New Business: **OPEN POSITIONS:** Accessibilities, Answering Service Alternate Chair, Archives, Bridging the GAP, CPC/PI, Grapevine, Newsletter, Secretary Alternate, Treatment, **Treasurer/Alt Treasurer,** Website Alternate Chair. **SPREAD THE WORD AT YOUR GROUPS!**

Old Business: District Workshop theme/topic ideas were discussed.

1. Diane's group suggested "Restarting Your Program After COVID"
2. Tracy will reach out to Lisa & Dawn at NIA 20 and see if they will come to our District to put on a GSR Service Workshop;
3. Nicole suggested the 12 Traditions or the 10th and 11th Steps as topics; she also noted we can invite the NIA 20 Delegate and Alternate to our district to give presentation; (Tracy noted we did have our Delegate Chris D. come to our district last year – very informative! – if doing this during business meeting we will need to have really brief meeting agenda!)
4. Jason/Tom K. group suggested "Amends" as a topic;
5. Lisa M. suggested a Service oriented workshop.

NIA 20 Upcoming Events:

04/14 – 04/20 74th General Service Conference – Brooklyn, New York

05/18/2024 Spring Committee Meeting – Lord of Life Church, La Fox – District 40 HOST

06/07-06/09 East Central Regional Conference – Calvin University, Grand Rapids, MI

06/22/2024 Summer Assembly/Post-GSC Panel 74 Delegate Report – District 11 host

08/03/2024 Summer Committee Meeting – Lord of Life Church, La Fox – District 10 HOST

08/23-08/25 51st Annual Illinois State Conference – Northfield Inn and Suites, Springfield, IL Area 21 host

09/07/2024 Fall Assembly – District 42 HOST

10/19 or 10/26 Fall Committee Meeting – Lord of Life Church, La Fox, District 42 host

11/09/2024 NIA Big Book Conference – First Covenant Church, Rockford – District 70 host

12/14/2024 Winter Assembly – District 12 HOST

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.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea O. District 28 Secretary