

District 28 - Barrington & Lake Zurich, NIA 20
February 5, 2024
Monthly Business Meeting Minutes

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

NEXT MEETING: March 4, 2024 – 6:30 P.M.

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

Tradition 2: For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority – a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.

Introductions/Anniversaries/Birthdays: Happy Birthday to Johnna!

Attendees: Tracy D., Curt S., Andrea O., Diane S., Heather P., Gregg M., Johnna I., Angel S., Tom K., Jason T., Lisa M., Marc P., Nicole E.

Visitors: Lisa from Area – Hospitality Chair for Spring Assembly March 1-3, Hyatt in Schaumburg. *Requests Spanish translators for meeting breakouts and alcahons.*

Announcements: Johnna announced: ***GSR Workshop & Ask It Basket for Area Officers at the New Antioch Recovery Club on February 17, 2024 12:00 – 3:30 PM*** (refreshments before and after) and ***Old Timers Brunch on Sunday February 18th*** at the American Legion Hall in Wauconda – doors open at 9:00am, fabulous brunch at 9:30am and speakers at 11:00 am. (see Flyers for both events attached to Dist. 28 email with February meeting minutes)

Officer Reports:

1. Secretary (minutes): Andrea O./Alt. Open – January 8, 2024 minutes voted as accepted.
2. Treasurer's Report: Curt S./Alt. Open –January 2024 Budget Summary and Proposed Budget for 2024:
 - a. January 2024 Contributions - \$228.10; beginning of the year balance - \$2,695.79; YTD \$2,923.89
 - b. Expenses - (answering service phone \$37.04; rent for church \$150.00 and Newsletter \$66.00)
 - c. Prudent Reserve: \$1,283.75
 - d. **Curt's term is up and we need a new treasurer.**
3. DCM Report: Tracy D./Alt. Lisa M.
 - a. Tracy can vote our District's groups' conscience on various motions. GSR's vote their group's conscience. Brief discussion on having a workshop(s) on things like sponsorship, service, how to be a GSR, twelve step calls, etc. Lisa M. to coordinate a committee to look into some things we could do this year, then we need volunteers.
 - b. Some discussion on hosting an assembly etc.– we need volunteers to do it.

- c. There was a floor motion for Area to send \$15,000 to GSO, which they have done in the past.

GSR Reports:

1. Nicole E.: interim GSR for No Name Group meets at Lake Zurich police station Sundays 10:30am, hybrid. 6 attendees, more newcomers. Needs Newcomer packets.
2. Gregg: Wednesday Lake Zurich 12 & 12, avg. 12-15 attendees on average-some newcomers
3. Angel: Sunday 11:00 am Newcomers at Stillwaters – regular attendance 15, newcomers coming and staying! Taking phone in April.
4. Tom: Real Time Tuesday Night, in person – strong meeting 30 attendees with newcomers;
5. Jason: Thursday 7:00pm Usual Suspects – 8-12 attendees on average. Will take phone and coordinate with Marc P.
6. Diane: GSR Wednesday Night Women’s Way 8-12 people on Zoom
7. Johnna: Sisters in Sobriety Saturday 8:00AM Zoom only – increased attendance back over 30; meeting has a Newcomers Steps 1, 2, 3 breakout – had business meeting re. Founders writings, etc. Taking phone in March.
8. Heather: Tuesday Sober Sisters at Stillwaters– 15-17 people; Wednesday a smaller group.

Committee Reports:

9. Answering Service: Mark P./Alt Open – Mark reported the Monday night meeting at Atonement has been carrying the phone January to date. **Need groups to take the phone in February through May, 2024. Contact Mark at: 602-502-6448 anmpounce@hotmail.com. Several groups signed up. (March – Sisters in Sobriety 8:00 AM Saturday; April – Angel’s group)**
10. Archives: OPEN
11. Bridging the Gap: OPEN
12. CPC/PI (Cooperation with the Professional Community/Public Information): **Need new PI/CPC Chair.**
13. Corrections: Mike M./Ron W. – no report
14. Grapevine: OPEN
15. Literature: Lisa M./alt Jeanne Marie: We have lots of **Newcomer Packets for GSR’s to take to their groups.** Pick up a supply at the monthly district meeting *or email Lisa M. millerzzz4@yahoo.com*
16. Newsletter: OPEN.
17. Accessibility/Special Needs: OPEN
18. Treatment: Gregg M./Alt Open – No report. Another supply of Big Books will be taken to women at SHARE treatment center on February 13th from a women’s meeting donations.
19. Website: Diane S. is the new District Webmaster – no report. Site is in maintenance mode, trying to coordinate with Kate to train on Wordpress platform.

New Business: There was a floor motion for Area to send \$15,000 to GSO, which they have done in the past.

Old Business: Groups and individuals have been sending in their responses to the request for feedback on changing the Founders' writings.

OPEN POSITIONS: Accessibilities, Answering Service Alternate Chair, Archives, Bridging the GAP, CPC/PI, Grapevine, Newsletter, Secretary Alternate, Treatment, **Treasurer/Alt Treasurer,** Website Alternate Chair.

NIA 20 Upcoming Events:

- 02/09-11/2024 50th Annual Conference of Past & Present Delegates, Courtyard by Marriott – Muncie hosted by Area 22
- 03/01-03/2024 NIA Spring Conference and Spring Assembly on March 2 at the Hyatt Regency in Schaumburg – Districts 20, 21 and 64 hosting
- 03/23/2024 Pre-General Service Conference Workshop – Location TBD/No host, breakouts previous week
- 04/14 – 04/20 74th General Service Conference – Brooklyn, New York
- 05/18/2024 Spring Committee Meeting – Lord of Life Church, La Fox – NO HOST YET
- 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 – NO HOST YET
- 08/23-08/25 51st Annual Illinois State Conference – Northfield Inn and Suites, Springfield, IL Area 21 host
- 09/07/2024 Fall Assembly - NO 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 – location TBD – District 70 host
- 12/14/2024 Winter Assembly – NO 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 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea O. District 28 Secretary