

Meeting Minutes
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April 2017 District Meeting

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Meeting called to order on 4/1/17 at 10:00 a.m.

In Attendance: Dean, Wanda, Misty, Neal, Dawn, Kathy, Cheryl, Ed, Jim, Nikki, George, Derek

*****District 20 Elections will be held in August 2017*****

- Quiet Time/Serenity Prayer
- Readings: Tradition 3, Daily Reflections
- Introductions
- April A Meeting Agenda Approved (There will be a second April Meeting)
- Feb/March 2017 Meeting Minutes Approved

Action Items:

- **Misty** - Attach DCM report with meeting minutes when distributing
- **Dean** - Email Misty DCM Report to attach with meeting minutes
- **Dean** - Add password protection/secure website discussion to next meeting agenda as it pertains to meeting minutes and other potentially “sensitive” information
- **All** - Think about the Alcathon location (at the conference site or at a hotel) and it’s time schedule for Spring Conference
- **George** - Check on a room for moving the Alcathon to a hotel
- **Dean** - Follow up on 4th Step Workshop
- **George** - Follow up with Curtis on the date of their Intergroup conflicting with the District 20 Workshop
- **Cheryl** - Order Newcomer’s Packets
- **GSRs** - Offer Scholarship registrations to members in your groups. Have them note on the registration form that it’s a scholarship and send in a registration to the PO Box
- **Dean** - Add DCM costs/District guidelines discussion to top of next meeting agenda
- **Misty** - Update District 20 Contact List with Kathy as PI Chair
- **GSRs** - Remind group members literature is available through District 20

Treasurer’s Report:

- N/A
- Dean will provide Dave with the Treasury items from today’s meeting

DCM Report:

- Costs for March 11th Delegates Workshop/ACM submitted
- Dean provided separate report which is attached

- Dean would like to request approval to charge District 20 for printer ink and paper. About \$40 out of DCM budget - Approved
- Dean provided Registrar with a current list of our meetings, locations, GSRs, etc.

7th Tradition Observed

GSR Reports:

- **Misty** - GSR - Manistique, Thursday, 730pm Happy Hour Group, Presbyterian Church - Core group of 10. Attendance up and down, but holding steady with core group.
- **Wanda** - GSR - Friday Night 6pm Potluck/7pm Get Everybody Together/Campfire Meeting - Meetings are at the Hiawatha Township Hall for the winter. Gratitude meeting starts at 7pm. No update.
- **Cheryl** - GSR - Friday AM Munising 12x12, Methodist Church 9AM - Attendance going up.
- **Neal** - GSR- Friday morning St. Greg's 9am -Newberry - Attendance up and down. Full table (14-15) last meeting. A few new members in program have been attending regularly.
- **Jim** - GSR - Grand Marais Sunday 1pm - Attendance about 3. Last week had a visitor.
- **Nikki** - It's In the Book, Thursday night, 6:30 pm St. Therese Catholic Church - Germfask - Attendance has been good. Didn't lose much attendance during winter. Upcoming business meeting next week will discuss the hot topics from the last Workshop.
- **Kathy** - GSR - Sunday night Blue in Review Meeting, Munising at 7pm - Attendance fluctuates. Going well. A few new people coming in.
- **Ed** - GSR Friday night Happy Joyous and Free, Munising Presbyterian Church 8pm - Old and new faces coming in. Attendance was low for a while.
- **Derek** - Delegate - Paradise - Have had a very quiet winter. Usually just 2 or 3 people.

Committee Reports:

- **Hotline:**
 - 4 calls last month
 - George updated some numbers
- **Literature:**
 - Gave account update
 - Purchased 3 Daily Reflections at last assembly
 - No purchases this month
 - Let people in your meetings know literature is available through District 20 because we're not selling much
- **Corrections:**
 - Dean ordered several pamphlets
 - Dean has met with Manistique's new Sheriff about getting meetings into our local jail

- Sherriff is putting money in their budget for making room for meetings for inmates; currently they only have cells
- Drug Court has asked for pamphlets/more information - Dean has provided - Led to a conversation about how AA can be more involved in Drug Court
- Ed planning to meet with Sheriff in Alger County. They do not have any literature available for inmates. Local AA's are trying to get involved in the Bridging the Gap correspondence, but not receiving any response from GSO.
- Newberry Correction Facility (George) - Down to about 1 person that goes into the jail at this time. This makes the nature of the meetings shaky as there isn't any long time sobriety or people with real meeting knowledge leading. Being run as sort of a "classroom type environment."

- **Archives:**
 - N/A

- **PI:**
 - See DCM report

- **CPC:**
 - Cheryl attended last assembly and sat in on the CPC Committee.
 - Other districts are quite involved in CPC
 - Cheryl is becoming overwhelmed holding 4 positions on District 20 Committee; would like to focus on Alt. DCM position

- **Website:**
 - Secure Page - Should our meeting minutes be there rather than available to the public on our District 20 website? Seventh Tradition information includes first and last names. Who would have login and password? How would they be obtained?
 - Further discussions about meeting minutes and District Treasurer's address being secure to protect anonymity to continue

2017 Spring Conference, Munising:

- Dean has found someone to record the conference - has specific space requirements
- 300 name tag lanyards donated from someone in Chicago found at a Goodwill store
- Need to have a meeting at Alger Parks and Rec. soon to do a walk through
- Next meeting - Conference Call - Monday, April 3rd at 6pm

Old Business:

- Next year's workshop - Check with groups on who to bring in from area - 4th Step Workshop? Tentative date of Oct. 7th. Conflict with Curtis intergroup?
- GSR workshop status - N/A
- Newcomers welcome/CPC packets
 - Cheryl trying to get a beginner's welcome packet together
 - Northwoods printing said making foldable packets is very expensive
 - Discussed doing an envelope/pamphlets

- Cheryl provided cost/formatting information
- Discussion regarding Districts giving packets to groups vs. groups buying them from the District
- Cost for each packet is around 38 cents
- Cheryl will order a small amount as a trial run
- Group information - Sent to Registrar
- Conference scholarships - About \$300 collected for scholarships from Munising and Manistique - See who is in need in your groups
- DCM budget discussion/travel/guidelines - What do we want to do about gas, food, hotel, etc. for costs of DCM traveling? Tabled until next meeting - move to top of agenda
- Nikki/Kathy - PI Position moved to Kathy.

New Business:

- Meetingguide.org

Dates to Remember:

- Spring Conference Conference Call - Monday, April 3rd - 6pm

Next District 20 Meeting:

- Saturday, April 22nd, 10AM - Germfask, MI, St. Therese Catholic Church

Meeting Adjourned/Closed with The Lord's Prayer