Meeting Minutes Website: <u>www.district20area74aa.org</u> From: George

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January 2016 District Meeting

Meeting called to order on 1/23/16 at 11:00 am

In Attendance: Dean, Wanda, Nikki, Cheryl, George, Neal, Jim, Brian, Bonnie, Brandon

- Quiet Time/Serenity Prayer
- Readings: Tradition 1 and Daily Reflection
- Introductions
- Meeting Agenda Approved
- December Meeting Minutes Approved
- Treasury Report Approved
- Seventh Tradition

DCM Report: Not much action at the Area level as new officers are getting settling in. The day and time for the future monthly Area 74 DCM conference calls will be changing.

# **GSR Reports:**

- Neal: GSR for the Newberry Friday Morning Meeting, Meeting attendance has been steady at 5-6. That is down from the summer and fall. There is consistent attendance from a few members in early sobriety. (Good News)
- Nikki: GSR for the Germfask Thursday Night Meeting, Meeting attendance has
  decreased since the cold weather has set in. Nikki asked for feedback about meeting
  ending times, particularly about meetings running over and people leaving before the
  meeting has ended. Many comments and suggestions. Nikki commented that she would
  bring it up as a group conscience discussion.
- Dean: Manistique Tuesday Morning Meeting is officially registered with GSO.
- Wanda: GSR for the Manistique Friday Night Meeting. Smaller group attending during the winter months.
- Jim: The Grand Marais Sunday 1:00 p.m. meeting continues to have very low attendance.
- Bonnie: GSR for the Munising Friday Evening Meeting, The meeting is starting to pick up in attendance.
- Cheryl: GSR for the Munising Friday Morning Meeting, The group reads from the 12 and 12, alternating between steps and traditions, with discussion following the reading.
- Brandon: GSR for the Munising Sunday Evening Meeting, Meeting format is to read from the Big Book followed by discussion. Attendance fluctuates from week to week.

#### Committee Reports:

• Hotline/Phone: Phone is with LeAnn. We will be switching to the "Freedom Voice" system in the next few weeks.

- Literature: Cheryl reported that the literature account balance remains at \$337.82. Inventory will be reviewed to see if more materials need to be ordered. Any new orders will probably go through the Area bulk order to save on costs.
- Website: Dean has updated site to reflect the new Area 74 officers now in place. The Area 74 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition Contribution information has been updated.
- Archives: Neal contacted and received historical information from the GSO pertaining to the early days of AA in the Newberry area.

### Old Business:

- A motion was passed to allocate \$500.00 of the current budget to support committee chairpersons attending workshops/conferences.
- The AA PSA is still in the works as details continue to be sorted out between the radio station and the GSO.
- All information pertaining to the District 20 treasury position and account, including non-profit status and tax reporting information, has been transferred over to Bonnie.
- The District distribution list is being revised to include contact phone numbers. Remember, this list is only being sent to members currently active in District 20 work including officers, committee chairs and GSRs.
- George reported that the Freedom Voice/Hotline account has been opened and work is underway in setting it up. Volunteer information packet(s) have been updated and are being distributed. The new system should be up and running in the next few weeks.
- Dean and others met with the Munising Parks and Recreation Director this last week to tour the facility, the proposed site of the 2017 Area 74 Spring Conference, and discuss details related the logistics of housing the Conference there. The facility will be able to provide the spaces needed for the conference.
- A motion was passed to approve the contract with the Munising Parks and Recreation Department to rent their facility, at a cost of \$600.00, to house the District 20 sponsored Area 74 Spring Conference. \$300.00 of that cost will be paid now as a deposit required by the contract.

#### **New Business:**

Dean and George will start researching hotel accommodation and caterers for the 2017
 Spring Conference.

#### Dates to Remember:

• February 20th, Traveling U.P. Intergroup, Negaunee, MI.

## **Next Meeting:**

• Saturday, February 27th, 11:00 AM, St Therese Catholic Church, Germfask, MI.

Meeting Adjourned/Closed with The Lord's Prayer