

March 17th, 2018

Website: www.district20area74aa.org

Meeting called to order on 3/17/18 at 11:00 AM

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

*Quiet time and Serenity Prayer

*Readings: Daily Reflections, Tradition 3, and Concept 3

*Introductions

*March meeting Agenda approved-Jim motioned/Dean second

*February meeting minutes approved- Kathy motioned/Neal second

Treasurer's Report:

*Written report provided by Treasurer

Treasurer's Report approved - Kathy/ Jim second

DCM Report

*Written report provided by DCM

7th Tradition Observed

GSR Reports:

Kathy : Sunday Blue in Review has had several newcomers. When the snow goes more people start to show up. Her group asked her how the Delegates Workshop went and she is preparing a report to take back to her group. There is interest at a group level about Area 74.

Jim: Grand Marais Sunday 12 x 12, last Sunday was 75% woman attendees; unusual for the group. Jim will be attending the McMillan meeting first Wednesday of April to celebrate his birthday and giving the open talk in McMillan on the second Wednesday in April.

George: Attendance at McMillan meeting has been big!

Neal: Friday morning meeting at Catholic Church in Newberry; money and attendance are up. Replaced medallions and ordered some new books for the group.

Wanda: Friday Get Everyone Together; has three to four in attendance. Manistique is hosting intergroup on June 9th. They recently lost a member and are keeping the family in thoughts and prayers.

Dean: Not a GSR but commented on the loss of members who relapse; we can end up in jail or die. Recently both happened to two of our members. We can take the lesson of what can happen if we stop going to meetings, or hang around the wrong people.

Cheryl: No GSR for Friday night meeting in Munising. Still active though.

Nikki: No GSR for Thursday "It's in the Book" meeting in Germfask. Active group with 6-8 in attendance.

Committee Reports:

***Hotline**- No calls since last meeting.

***Literature**- There is \$245.82 in the account. Ed sold books at the last Intergroup. George will make the deposit from that sale and place an order for books.

***Corrections**-Ed attended Three Lakes meeting and found it informative. It was good to sit in and hear everyone speak and the format was easier to follow this time as a second time attendee. Alger Co. jailhouse meetings are going well. Two meetings now instead of four as inmates do not receive credit for good behavior when attending meetings. Newberry prison was under quarantine for flu; no meetings. Ken, and sometimes Harland and George go to the Newberry prison meetings on Monday and Tuesday, though it's mostly Ken on Mondays. Ed will call to find out what MDOC procedure is for getting permission for a person to enter a prison and hold AA meetings. Every facility seems to be run a little different.

***Archives-** Our archive material was given to Norm at Area 74. We will get it back and then decide what to do with it next. It was brought up that we could elect an archivist as a non rotating position.

***PI-** Kathy talked to Alger Co Sheriff and got in some literature to the jail. Munising News was updated with AA info and still need a few corrections. Munising Hospital and a doctor's office in Munising have been given pamphlets and meeting schedules. Grand Marais Medical building has pamphlets. ABC Ten has been contacted regarding their community calendar and if they will display District 20 website and meeting schedule. Cheryl mentioned we can create a committee for our committees and not just a chair to cover our large service areas. Someone recently saw a public service announcement on TV showing the Marquette info. Maybe we can work together with MQT to get a PSA on TV with both Districts information.

***CPC-** Dean is Area 74 Chair for CPC. Lots of upcoming opportunity to set up a booth at health fairs in the area. District 20 needs a CPC Chair. Dean noted many of Area 74 Chairs and Committee members live in the UP, and it could be a unique time to get things done in our district.

***Website-** Dean removed the Blue People from the District 20 Website due to controversy and copyrights. Calendar is up to date. Four years worth of District 20 meeting minutes are now available in the password protected area of the website.

Old Business

*Self-support- Keep up our contributions at meetings. Visitor Cheryl suggested we can "buy a drink" and that can be used as a way to get donations up in the baskets.

*Workshop for fall- Cheryl has power points available for us to consider using. Suggestion for workshop "Importance of GSR" or a workshop teaching attendees about the different positions within District/Area of AA.

Date for workshop is set for October 13th, 2018. We need to take to our groups and report back to decide on a workshop topic.

New Business: Moving district meeting to a different location each month. Tried this in the past and didn't have good attendance. Meeting to stay in Germfask at Methodist Church at 11:00 for now.

Dawn - At the Delegates Workshop a DCM mentioned that a group could be a committee for the district. We can talk to our groups about this to see if one would like to take on a District Committee. Area level archivist is not a rotating position; only the chair rotates and District 20 could follow this same format.

Dates to Remember...

Spring Conference May 18-20 Green Bay

Manistique Intergroup June 9th

Next District Meeting will be April 28th in Germfask

Closed with the Lord's Prayer