

DISTRICT 3 MINUTES

District 3, Area 35 - P. O. Box 931 - Detroit Lakes MN 56502

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MEETING DATE: September 21, 2008

Opened the meeting with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer

SECRETARY REPORT: Submitted by: Sue
No corrections or additions

*Motion to accept minutes by: George

*Motion seconded by: Lyle

*Motion carries

TREASURY REPORT: Submitted by: George
Written report submitted to all present. Balance is \$1947.02 and he has checks totalling \$930.90 still to be deposited.

*Motion to accept treasury report by: Patti

*Motion seconded by: Lyle

*Motion carries

D.C.M. REPORT: Submitted by: Bill

-Worked with Patti and a friend at the State Fair for four hours

-Meeting committee people regularly

-Coming up: Area 35 Fall Assembly October 4 and 5, Thief River Falls
Area 35 Committee meeting December 7, 9:00 a.m., Aitkin
Area 35 Service Workshop January 17 and 18, 2009, Craguns

-Need volunteer to speak on a topic for 40 minutes at Service Workshop

-Clarified that Moorhead is in District 3

*Yours in Service,
District 3 DCM

ACTION COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Public Information/Group Records Report: Submitted by: Bill, for Karen
~ She needs to address packets and can then mail

Treatment Chair Report: Submitted by: Billy
~He has lists of speakers, ready to go
~Will call institutions

CPC (Cooperation w/Professional Community) Report: Submitted by: Bill, for Jeff
~Still unable to get AA into Wadena county jail, will continue to try
~Meetings at Becker county jail and at minimum security going well, 4 - 6 people
~Talking with two female volunteers for Becker county, will talk about getting women's meetings

Corrections Chair Report: Submitted by: Lyle
~He can bring Grapevine in, give to police chief
~They need names in Wadena for birthday night

~Can bring Big Book to jail, he's authorized to bring inmates

Round Robin (RR) Chair Report: Submitted by: Steve

- ~Perham RR was well attended
- ~Detroit Lakes RR is October 18
- ~December 5 is Otter Tail RR
- ~Smokey Hills RR is in January 2009
- ~Carol Amundson volunteered to help him as contact person
- ~Ed asked about RR for Fergus. Dave said Fergus has an All City each month except July and August

CPC (Cooperation w/Professional Community): Submitted by: Dave

~Nothing to report at this time

Webmaster Report: Submitted by: Billy

~All going well

*Motion to accept action committee reports by: Ed

*Motion seconded by: Lyle

*Motion carries

G.S.R. REPORTS:

- ~Gloria, Jennifer Fritz, Formers Group, attendance up between July and August
good mix of individuals in years and newcomers, focus on steps and making
good decisions - especially in recovery
- ~Billy, New York Mills, good core group, 10-15 people
- ~Erik, Suit Up & Show Up, solutions oriented, 5 regulars, use AA topics, steps,
and traditions
- ~Dave, Elizabeth, 2-3 people, Joe & Charlie tapes
- ~Dave, Battle Lake, 8-10 people, traditions in 12 x 12 currently
- ~Sue, Grapevine, 2-8 people, topic driven
- ~Sue, Weekenders, usually 18-20 core people, topic driven
- ~Steve, Underwood, had years of sobriety compilation, total was 270 years
- ~Carol A., Ottertail, around 20 people, 7 birthdays in September, good sharing
- ~Lyle S., Wadena Birthday Nite, Round Robin was good, Thursday meeting down
- ~Patti, Perham Solutions Groups:
 - >Monday, new people from halfway houses, tradition study first Monday
 - >Tuesday, small core group, use the Big Book
 - >Wednesday, Big Book, about 12 including core and halfway house, lots of
laughter and good discussions
 - >Thursday, women's study of 12 x 12
 - >Friday, Big Book using CD's from different speakers 12 regulars, fun group
 - >Saturday, topic driven, about 12 and some new. lately, discussing AA
approved readings, will continue to use a non-approved opening meditation
book for now

OLD BUSINESS:

- ~Ed is helping Karen get a speaker list. There are more jail volunteers
- ~Jeff is checking out directory

- 800 number is getting out. Billy had 4 1/2 calls
- Gloria says lots of newcomers from jail and halfway houses
- Jennifer asked re group conscious meeting: Any member can call for meeting, subject needs to be brought up, be sure all newcomers get same information
- Question about group inventory, Ed will put on website
- Discussion about what is the message and how to carry it

NEW BUSINESS:

- George would like to pay PO box rental on an annual basis and pay Arvig. Both okay, also okay for Arvig to deduct payments from checking account
- Ed will keep phone for a time and Billy will let next volunteer know
- Bill said we will have to meet in Perham for the next meeting. Those interested in moving to another part of the county should bring proposals. Larry asked: any success (increase) in attendees after move to Perham. Bill noticed no increase
- Discussion re holiday parties. District will leave it up to individual groups
- RJ volunteered for Treatment Chair (and alternate). Approval was unanimous

NEXT MEETING DATE: October 19, 2008, 10:00, Perham

Closed meeting with the Responsibility Pledge