

DISTRICT 3 MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES: JANUARY 4, 2010

PREPARED BY MOLLY M., SECRETARY

Meeting called to order by David T. at 6:00 pm, followed by a moment of silence

Serenity Prayer

Reading of Concept 1 and bullet points by Jim K.; discussion followed regarding how the concept works both here at the district level and in our home groups.

Announcement by David T. of the recording of the minutes for use by the secretary

New GSRs/ALT. GSRs: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS/UPCOMING EVENTS: None

GROUP/DIST. CONCERNS:

Del B.—The issue regarding dogs being brought to meetings has been addressed at MRC with a sign being posted which states dogs are not allowed.

Jim K. reminded everyone of the open mtg. at the 12@12 group on Fri. at 7:00 pm (1st Pres. Church, Holland), stressing the importance of open mtgs. and encouraging other groups to designate one mtg. as an open mtg.

SECRETARY REPORT given by Molly M. with one correction noted as follows:

David T. reported on his attendance at the Dist. 3 Area 34 Assembly on Nov. 15. One addition was also noted as follows: Cheri R. reported the mtg. times for the New Found Freedom Group - Sunday through Saturday at 8:00 pm (Holland Alano Club). Kurt B. motioned to accept minutes corrected; 2nd by Vern P., passed.

TREASURER REPORT given by Kurt B.; Jim K. motioned to accept, 2nd by Cheri R., passed.

DCM REPORT (NORTH) given by David T.:

David shared his report from his attendance at the Dist. 3 Area 34 Assembly held Dec. 20 in Fremont. Various items were highlighted.

DCM REPORT (SOUTH)—No Report

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PI/CPC: No Report

WEBSITE/DIRECTORIES: No Report

SPECIAL NEEDS: No Report

TREATMENT FACILITIES: No Report

GRAPEVINE: No Report

CORRECTIONS: Vern P. needs more Beginner Packets for the inmates at the Fillmore Complex.

LITERATURE: Jim K. has examples of pamphlets and catalogs (with order forms) which are available.

The pamphlets are also available on the website (AA.org.) Groups which are registered can also receive a discount on their orders with their group number.

ANSWERING SERVICE: David T—there were two cycles reported; the most recent had 3 calls and 0 patches with the previous cycle reporting 18 calls and 3 patches.

OLD UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Status of Treatment Facilities Chair still unsure

The issue of phone numbers being listed on the internet based schedule discussed again and tabled, with Jim K. considering a motion to change the existing situation.

NEW BUSINESS:

We have been asked to change months with Dist. 13 for the hosting of the Area Assembly. We would host Area Assembly on Sept. 19 rather than May 16, 2010. Tom L. motioned to accept the change, 2nd by Kurt B., passed. We will continue to set aside the amount of 150.00 each month to cover the cost of hosting the Assembly for now. Kurt B. is also checking on a new location which would also provide AC.

Committee positions still needing to be filled include Grapevine and Special Needs. Bruce J. from the 12@12 group, Holland, volunteered to chair the Special Needs committee. David T. is also looking for someone to take his position as chair of Answering Service.

David T. has suggested we as a dist. consider helping Dist. 2 with their present situation of having no answering service, possibly by sharing our answering service with them in some way. Discussion followed on various details needed to be researched if this is to be done. Tom L. motioned to table this until we make a decision regarding the phone numbers on the internet based schedule. Kurt B. 2nd the motion, passed.

Cheri R. and Doug E. motioned to create a new Archives Committee for Dist. 3 volunteering to chair and alternate chair, respectively, such committee. They would be collecting data on group histories of the various meetings in the dist. Vote taken—none opposed—passed.

Tom L. motioned to have the Treas. Report emailed to the Dist. 3 email list after the Dist. 3 meeting each month. David T. stated this would not include the bank statement. Cheri R. 2nd, passed.

NEW BUSINESS (continued)

Jim K. expressed gratitude from Don regarding the pocket sized Big Books and Twelve and Twelve books he received from us for the Allegan jail.

Vern P. motioned to purchase 60 Newcomer Packets at the cost of 50 ea. for a total of 30.00 to be given to the Corrections Committee for Dist. 3 to be used at their discretion. Tom L. 2nd, passed.

Answering Service discussion to be tabled and moved to Old Unfinished Business.

MOTION TO ADJOURN made by Kurt B., 2nd by Jim K.

CLOSED WITH SERENITY PRAYER

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:10

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

MOLLY M., SECRETARY DIST. 3

IN ATTENDANCE:

Molly M.	Tom L.	David T.	Jim K.
Kurt B.	Vern P.	Cheri R.	Doug E.
Del B.	Scott M.	Chuck W.	Bruce J.