

District 4 of Area 35
February 18th, 2023

Those present: Trista H, Ray F, Colleen S, Dave H, Greg C, Mary S, Steve W, Carol M, Holly J, Kiara V, Tom M, Hannah V, Jim T.

Open with a moment of silence for the still suffering alcoholic, followed by the Serenity prayer.

Review and approval of January minutes, Kiara motioned to approve January minutes, Carol seconded the motion, motion carried.

Consideration of Agenda/Additional Items:

Kiara motioned to accept new items 1. And 2.

To the agenda. Carol seconded and motion carried.

1. Discussion of the future of Grapevine subscriptions and Literature, led by Greg C. Grapevine can now be read on line and in audio form for free. Question is, are subscriptions relevant anymore and the same questions trickles down into the literature as well. Question, if as an organization is it efficient to continue to compete with the internet anymore. Will table at this time.

2. Discussion about book bundles for Big Ole, led by Ray F. Asking if groups would like to do AA approved literature, 3 book bundles, for Big Ole door prizes. Suggested that we use the District's supply of books first for the bundles. GSR's will bring to groups and contact Ray or Holly if the group decides to donate.

Old Business:

1. Spring Assembly update, James will set up volunteer sign up sheets for greeting, registration and coffee tables. Tailgating mentioned for the holiday Inn parking by James, Ray and Kyle. Greg mentioned reaching out to District 6, as they do something similar. Also suggested to have a conversation with the Holiday Inn prior to a tailgating event. A donation basket would be out with proceeds going to Area 35. Ray mentioned plans to do pulled pork sandwiches.
2. District proposal to donate 500.00 to the Area approved by individual groups per GSR's in attendance. Kiara motioned to approve the 500.00 donation, Carol seconded, motioned carried.

New Business:

1. Spring MARRCH Conference-(Minnesota Association of Resources for Recovery and Chemical Dependency Health) web site-www.Marrch.org Event date: April 20-21st, 2023 at Breezy Point MN. Greg C committee chair will be attending a zoom meeting on 2-26-23. Registration fee is 520.00 with a proposed amount of 150.00 per District. Info on event available on the above web site. Kiara motioned to contribute 150.00 and Tom seconded, motion carried.
2. District 4 budget review presentation by Hannah, after brief discussion on handouts, Kiara motioned to approve Budget review, Tom seconded, motion carried.

Officer Reports:

- DCM-Colleen, sitting in for James, reports that James is going to a Morris meeting to lock down a Round Robin date for this summer. The round robin schedule is in progress.
- Treasurer Report-Budget reviewed, Kiara motioned to accept, Carol seconded, motion carried.
- Literature Report-Dave present, has an updated inventory list, has brought all books here and is resigning his position. Reports no sales coming in and feels it is no longer relevant. Colleen will step in as Literature chair, and take inventory after the meeting and secure. Will chair open position until the April meeting.
- Grapevine-No report.
- PI/PC-Position remains open, Greg reports he has handed out cards to hospital and is getting calls from the Bridge the Gap pamphlet.
- Corrections-Tom also reports handing out Bridge the Gap pamphlets at the Jail.
- Treatment Chair-Kiara met with Nystrom and Associates and handed out Bridge the Gap pamphlets.
- Web Manager-Greg reports the number of hits on the web site continues to increase. Addressing the need for each group needing a GSR, finds people can't regularly attend monthly meetings, explain that GSRs can simply check web site when they are unable to get to meetings and get information from the minutes back to their groups.
- District AA Hotline-Tom reports it continues to run smoothly.

GSR Reports:

- Trista, Tuesday Lamplighter Group- 10-16 in attendance and financially stable.
- Dave, Sunday 12&12 Group-7-19 in attendance and financially stable.
- Holly, Saturday Morning Big Book Study-16-20 in attendance, financially stable.
- Carol, Friday 7pm New to You Group-2-6 in attendance, financially stable.
Monday Carlos Group-20 people in attendance-financially stable.
- Kiara, Tuesday Womans Group-15-20 in attendance-financially stable.
- Mary, Friday Noon Group-Lots of new faces, 15 in attendance-financially stable.
- Greg C, Monday Noon Group-15-18 in attendance-financially stable.
Wed. Noon Group-20 in attendance-financially stable.
- Jim, Glenwood Tuesday Night-4-6 in attendance-financially stable.
- Ray, Monday Bill and Bobs Excellent Big Book Adventure 8 in attendance-financially Stable.
Wed. 7pm Group-In need of a GSR, 10-16 in attendance-financially stable
Thursday 7pm Group-10-20 in attendance-financially stable.

Up Coming Events:

1. Big Ole Round-Up Holiday Inn, Alexandria, MN. March 17th-19th, 2023
2. Area 35 Spring Assembly, Holiday Inn, Alexandria MN. April 1st-2nd, 2023
3. Next District 4 Area 35 Meeting and Round Robin, Alano Club, Alexandria MN. April 15th, 2023.

Colleen motioned to adjourn the meeting, Tom seconded, motion passed.

Meeting closed with the Responsibility Statement.

