District 12 Meeting Minutes

August 17th, 2023

Meeting was called to order at 6:30pm with the serenity prayer and introductions. 10 members were present. Concept Eight was presented by Scott A. Thank you Scott!! Chris L. was volunteered to present Concept Nine for District Meeting in September.

Officer's Report

DCM: Terry A	(612) 910 4832	theresa.ahlgren@yahoo.com
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Report: Terry reported attending Aitkin Area Committee Meeting. Both concerns that were brought to the Area Committee Meeting will be brought as Floor actions at the next General Service Conference. These issues address the changes in the 12 Steps and 12 Traditions and the planed plane language version of the book Alcoholics Anonymous modifying the 12 steps.

Alternate DCM: Shelley H (651) 343 028 shelleyincambridge@hotmail.com

Report: Shelley was absent. No report

Secretary: Addy R (218) 260 0268 ratliff.net@gmail.com

Report: Addy reported no changes. (Minutes from last District Meeting were accepted)

Treasurer: Roy S. royszmatta@gmail.com

Report: Roy reported a beginning balance of \$4603.07. He reported total credits of \$350.00. Roy reported total debits of \$40.00. Ending balance was 4913.07. Less prudent reserve of \$1000.00, leaves a balance of 3913.07 for service. Roy reported that Grapevine subscriptions are up and requested funds to renew subscriptions. Motion was made and approved.

Committee Reports

Archivist: Steve E sengel1951@yahoo.com Report: Steve was absent. No current report.

Corrections: Frank K **Report:** Frank was absent. No current report.

DULYPAA: Phil S. **Report:** Phil reported that the first official committee meeting will be on 9/11/2023. He reported current bid committee to get the MNYPAA conference in the Duluth Area.

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Intergroup: Twin ports Intergroup (218) 727 8117 Chris L (715) 817 3580 ctlukken@gmail.com

Report: Chris reported the Intergroup board met this past Sunday at our new location in Lincoln Park. The space is becoming more organized and comfortable. We have a few new volunteers, and we have been able – for the most part – to keep Intergroup staffed every day from 10:00 - 6:30. Please remind your groups that we still need more desk volunteers. A new group has started on Saturdays at 2:00 in our meeting room. Bank account is down some because of moving expenses mostly, but still in stable condition. Our contract secretary has resigned, so we are seeking applications for this part time modestly paid position. Job includes maintain finance records (Quick Books), responsible for merchandise orders and inventory. Plenty of miscellaneous tasks.

Literature: Scott A (763) 228 0730 alhlgrenscott@yahoo.com Report: Scott reported on the literature directories published by the AAWS that are printed every 3 years for both the Eastern areas of the United States as well as the Western United States.

PI/CPC: Rich G (218) 343 2120 richardgould4@gmail.com Report: Rich was absent. No current report.

Veterans Outreach: Frank K Report: Frank was absent. No current report.

Treatment: Kevin K (702) 217 6886 k.knodeljr@yahoo.com Report: Kevin was absent. No current report.

Webmaster: Scott A. (763) 228 0730

Report: Scott reported differing groups on the website, and requested of the DULYPAA meeting should be listed under young people's groups. He reported that the West Central Regional Forum will be going on the coming weekend. Scott reported on several other events coming up, all of which are listed on the District website.

Church Liaison: Ginny N. Report: Ginny was absent. No current report.

Old Business

Discussion on the effectiveness of recent billboards. Discussion center on possible PSA being placed in the newspaper, that could be discussed further when Rich G. is available.

This would be carried out in free local papers. Electronic Billboards were also brought up; this was well received.

New Business

Area 35 Fall Assembly isw happening in October of 2023 in St. Cloud. Terry reported this is an election year and the Conference will be voting in new officer positions. Terry also reported on the Area Workshop that will be held in January of 2024 at the Rivers Edge Conference Center in St. Cloud.

GSR Reports

DULYPAA Big book Meeting - Monday - 6pm - Duluth Alano Club

GSR: Kelsey M. Mackelsey5@gmail.com

Report: Kelsey reported this will be the 4th or 5th meeting that has been held so far. She reported very good attendance of upwards of 40 people in attendance.

Rule 62 Group - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday - 12pm

219 North 6th Ave E, Duluth, MN 55805 - In person

(Enter on the east side of the building.)

GSR: Nancy A. chzzyd@gmail.com

Report: Nancy reported current format of the Rule 62 group is as follows: Monday is a Big Book Meeting, Tuesday is a 12 Steps and 12 Traditions Meeting and Wednesday is a Topic Meeting, sometimes based on daily meditation reading. Nancy reported attendance has been good with both core members and newcomers. She reported really positive attendance at all meetings.

<u> Basic Text AA Group - Sunday 9am – (Big Book Discussion) - Closed</u>

Duluth Alano Club - 3009 Restormel St., Duluth Hybrid - Zoom ID: 578-142-580 Password: 12 GSR: Michelle J. upnorth.renee@gmail.com

Report: She reported in person attendance has remained around 30 people in attendance. She reported there is usually no chairs open. She reported there is a virtual option for the meeting for those who cannot attend in person.

Crossroads - Thursday - 7pm Closed

Holy Cross Church, 410 N Arlington Ave, Duluth, MN

GSR: Adam M. a.michaelson1986@gmail.com

Report: Adam reported that attendance has remain around 20 people in the Big Book study group and that the discussion meeting has continued to have less attendance of 10 people. Adam reported that the Big Book meeting format goes paragraph by paragraph. He reports good mix of recovery.

Barnum AA - Wednesday - 5pm

Barnum Community Center, Barnum, MN - In person GSR: Debbie H.

Report: Debbie reported the format is a step meeting with attendance that usually averaged 10 to 20 people in attendance; however, she reported very limited attendance over the last several weeks.

Living in the Solution Monday 7pm

St. John's Church (Woodland) - In Person

GSR: Scott A. (Current Contact)

Report: Scott reported on good attendance which has almost doubled. He reported lively conversation and discussion in meeting. He reported that the group takes stories from all formats of the Big Book. He reported stories out of the book, *Experience, Strength, and Hope* has helped when the first or second edition can't be found. He reported in attendance growing to over 15 people, which is 3 times past attendance.

Closing

District meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm with the responsibility statement.