

District 11 Meeting Minutes

13 February 2021

The meeting was called to order at 9:59 a.m. by Alternate DCM, Diane W. followed by a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer. The GSR's/Alternate GSR's from the following groups were present: 848, Brown Baggers, Cook, Recovery Group, Serenes, Sunlight of the Spirit, Three Legacies, Westend.

Secretary's Report:

Karen T. read the January meeting minutes.

*** Dave moved to accept the minutes as read / Isabell seconded. M/C Unanimously*

Treasurers Report:

Available Balance: \$5301.20 (after rent - \$5145.20)

Prudent Reserve: \$2121.04

It was clarified that the Prudent Reserve and Available Balance are two separate line items.

***Craig moved to accept the Treasurer's Report / Dave seconded. M/C Unanimously*

Group Reports:

848 Main – Jim reported that 848 had the crisis center in February. No one attended last Saturday. It has been such an on and off thing that people do not know about it. Diane stated they have 16 beds and was told that usually people come in late at night and do not want to get out of bed due to cold. The Crisis Center worker stated she will roust them out.

Diane asked if we want to do meetings there. She explained how homeless people utilize the various services and how important the meetings are to them.

Group names were thrown in the hat and Brownbaggers was chosen to take meetings into the crisis center for March.

Cook – Meg reported that Cook staffed the bookstore which went well. 25 seats are available in the meeting room. They will be meeting to consider more seats. There is a sign on the door that shows if the room is full.

Recovery – Dave K. reported fifty seats are available as well as zoom access. There will be a men's retreat Feb. 26--28 at Abba's Haven outside Lavina plus a zoom option. Cost is \$110.00. To register contact Colby D, Rick T, or Henry K. Dave will provide contact numbers if necessary. "Heart to Heart" is coming up in March. This is an Al-Anon and AA 12 traditions relationship retreat.

Sunlight of the Spirit – They could use support for their 5:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday meetings. Meetings are in the Downtowners building.

Brown Baggers – 14 meetings / week. They are practicing social distancing and masks. They are looking for an opener on Tuesday and need an IGR representative. Things are going very well.

Serenes – Attendance has been up and down. It is a women's meeting on Thursday at 5:30 p.m. at the Mayflower Church on the corner of Poly and Rehberg.

Three legacies – They are meeting in person wearing masks and social distancing. Their numbers vary from 10 to 12 down to 3. Meetings are Mondays and Thursdays at 7:00 P.M.

West End – Isabelle – There is not a whole lot going on at the Westend. They are basically lawless – no masks required and no social distancing. They are having trouble with finding openers. There is a 5:30 Big Book study with Chuck. Diane clarified that it is a meeting not a class – they use the Big Book and 12 and 12. There are assignments given.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Al-Anon – No Report

Corrections – No report

Treatment – Dave reported he met with Chuck who turned over the treatment materials. Because of the coronavirus and intermittent meetings, clients using the Crisis Center do not know if there is a meeting or not. Rimrock will be getting back with Dave. For now, the Psych Center is on hold. New Day will not get back to him. Diane will work with Dave to communicate with New Day.

Grapevine – Talk to your groups about purchasing/sponsoring an annual subscription for various offices and sober living homes. (Annual print: \$28.97)

Meg suggested we check in with our Traditions regarding purchasing Grapevines for businesses.

PI/CPC – Anyone willing to chair this committee? A couple of people were mentioned who may be interested but **bring it back to your groups**. This is our connection to the professional community and important because if we do not engage with them, they will forget us.

Bridging the Gap – No Report

Archives – No report

Hotline – Wade reported neither he nor his wife received any hotline calls in a couple of months. This is unusual in that they usually get calls. They are waiting to hear about any changes to the hotline.

Intergroup – No report - Dave K reported on Founders' Day to be held on March 20 at the Shrine. There will be two 30-minute talks, a potluck with store bought, sealed items, 3 panels (3 groups are in charge of the panels) and a 50/50 raffle. Childcare is still being discussed. A flyer will be out soon.

OLD BUSINESS.

Diane asked for feedback regarding the GSR Orientation class. Comments were positive: impressive how the speaker broke service work down. The packets were thorough. Broader information about service rather than concentrating only on being a GSR. Because of a better understanding of service, one person had a sponsee sign up the next week for a service position. The speaker gave little pearls of wisdom regarding his sobriety and service. Hopefully, there will be tapes available.

Diane will take the information back to Lynn and our thanks to Terri for getting the space and getting the speaker.

NEW BUSINESS

Coffee and donuts at the district meeting:

***Dave moved that we use the 7th tradition to cover the cost of snacks at the meeting/Meg seconded. M/C Unanimously*

GSR Orientation: The cost of renting the room at the Big Horn Resort was \$125.00 or \$175.00.

There were several questions brought up.

- We should discuss and approve expenditures ahead of time.
- We need an invoice.
- Some thought the Elks or the Westend were options.
- We should take the question back to our groups whether to pay the bill.

***Craig moved to table the issue until next month when the DCM is present /seconded by Dave.*

M/C Unanimously

An aside: Recovery group would be open to having their venue for the area assembly.

There were questions about Grasshopper. We need an update on what is happening. This is the description that was included in the October District meeting minutes.

Grasshopper application – *This is the phone application for hospital 12 step calls. The PI/CPC chair and two others will receive a text that the hospital is in need for someone to do a 12-step call. Each month two groups will be chosen in the same process we now use for bringing meetings to the psych and crisis centers and Rimrock. Each month the chairperson will change the other two numbers. The total cost per year will be \$312. There is no long-term contract so if it does not work, we can change plans. We have already voted to do it; we are just not ready to implement it yet.*

Zoom meetings: Karen will take off the web site. Included at the bottom of minutes.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:03 a.m. We closed with the Responsibility Statement.

Next District Meeting: March 13, 2021

LIST OF ZOOM MEETINGS: Go to <https://www.aa-montana.org/> You will be able to click and join as indicated below.

Monday-

6:45am

[Trackside \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 406 248 8783

Passcode: 835656

12:00pm

[Main Street Group \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 973 3821 069

Passcode: 848

8:00pm

General Meeting - Conference Call only

Phone Number: (425) 436-6364

Access Code: 269425

[Recovery Group \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 862 1261 7886

Passcode: 12x12

-Tuesday-

6:45am

[Trackside \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 406 248 8783

Passcode: 835656

12:00pm

[Main Street Group \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 973 3821 069

Passcode: 848

7:00pm

[Great Reality Group \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 359 571 291

8:00pm

[644 Group \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 575 404 9776

General Meeting - Conference Call only

Phone Number: (425) 436-6364

Access Code: 269425

[Recovery Group \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 862 1261 7886

Passcode: 12x12

-Wednesday-

6:45am

[Trackside \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 406 248 8783

Passcode: 835656

12:00pm

[Main Street Group \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 973 3821 069

Passcode: 848

7:00pm

[Great Reality Group \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 359 571 291

7:30pm

[Recovery Group Speaker Meeting \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 862 1261 7886

Passcode: 12x12

8:00pm

General Meeting - Conference Call only

Phone Number: (425) 436-6364

Access Code: 269425

-Thursday-

6:45am

[Trackside \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 406 248 8783

Passcode: 835656

12:00pm

[Main Street Group \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 973 3821 069

Passcode: 848

8:00pm

General Meeting - Conference Call only

Phone Number: (425) 436-6364

Access Code: 269425

[Recovery Group \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 862 1261 7886

Passcode: 12x12

-Friday-

6:45am

[Trackside \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 406 248 8783

Passcode: 835656

12:00pm

[Main Street Group \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 973 3821 069

Passcode: 848

7:00pm

[Great Reality Group \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 359 571 291

8:00pm

General Meeting - Conference Call only

Phone Number: (425) 436-6364

Access Code: 269425

[Recovery Group \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 862 1261 7886

Passcode: 12x12

-Saturday-

12:00pm

[Main Street Group \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 973 3821 069

Passcode: 848

7:00pm

[Great Reality Group \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 359 571 291

8:00pm

[Misfits Women's Meeting \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 282 164 6981

Passcode: 003318

-Sunday-

12:00pm

[Main Street Group \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 973 3821 069

Passcode: 848

-Sunday-

12:00pm

[Main Street Group \(click to join\)](#)

Zoom ID: 973 3821 069

Passcode: 848