

District Meeting Minutes

August 4th, 2024

Diane opened the meeting at 5:05 pm with the Serenity Prayer.

Tradition 8: Judy

Concept 8: Paula

Visitors: Rebecca, Rikki (taking notes), Alanon: Deb. F. and Eileen

Approval of minutes: Kelly moved to approve minutes and Dawn seconded. None opposed.

Treasurer Report:

-beginning balance: \$7,324.59

-income: \$1,425.00

-expenses: \$871.10

-ending balance \$7,878.49

Old Business:

EIN update: Diane will print out steps for group to register with Secretary of State. To open a bank account, groups will need to have EIN + registration with state + current written minutes from business meeting stating who the treasurer and co-signer will be.

Upcoming events:

-Campout this weekend August 8th-10th

-Fellowship of the Falls August 16th-18th

-Trusted servant guidelines committee not meeting this week (August 7th)

-Consider being of service for district at upcoming elections in October. If interested, check with your sponsor that you meet criteria (2 year commitment). All positions are rotating out.

New Business:

Fall Assembly is Sept. 13-15 at Holiday Inn GF, all GSR's are encouraged to attend and voting members should plan to be present as elections are occurring at area level.

Bridging the Gap workshop Sept. 6th-8th in Missoula: Brandy and Rebecca are attending per district, Eric and Lance are also attending on their own

Chair Reports:

Archives: Jana: not present, nothing new to report

Brandon: Bridging the Gap: not present

Corrections: Brandy: Brandy and Rebecca have handled pre-release coverage while Brandy is out from surgery (meetings are Thursdays at 6). Brandy contacted Mark (area corrections chair)

to request that the big book be installed at county jail/on inmate's tablets as access is free. Lance and Brandon are doing well with men's pre-release meetings.

CPC: Molly: not present, nothing new to report

Grapevine: open position

Hotline: Paul: 2 calls received, no help needed, fully staffed

IT: Eric: QR codes for meeting app are done and passed out for group literature racks. We have our own unique webpage on Area 40: aa-montana.org/district-sites/dist41/index.php

Literature: Dawn: Dawn ordered \$160 in coins, then ordered another \$90 worth in order to have access to all the years. Has already sold some to different groups, hasn't gotten inventory for books yet, but will have inventory for next month's meeting. ReStore picked up the heavy tables. Light source is needed for storage unit.

PI: Amanda: not present, provided following updates: unable to get anything distributed because of school starting, may need some help in September/October, will let us know. Alliance for Youth rent will be \$100. Workshop to educate lawyers, doctors, judges, deputies, counselors etc, is being sponsored by district, wanted to know if NA participation would be acceptable. Because workshop would be district funded, alignment with traditions was questioned. Diane suggested NA not be involved, but that Al-Anon should be involved as it is an entity that works with alcoholism and follows the same 12 steps. It was decided that AA's singleness of purpose is the reason why we will not include NA in the workshop. Recommended that after the presentation NA could take over if they so choose on their own time, own dime.

Schedules: Kelly: unable to get schedules to the printer, edits from before were made. Checked with GSO whether new Sunday serenity meeting could be added to the pamphlet, it has been added to the website and will be added to meeting guide. Steps to Recovery only meets mornings on Tues/Thurs, has been updated on meeting guide. QR code has been fixed for September schedules.

Destany: SYS: not present, nothing new to report

Treatment Jacque/Jimmy: speakers scheduled through October

DCM: Lance: ad hoc committee for trusted service guidelines has been going well. Looking forward to area assembly and upcoming elections, reminder of importance of commitment.

Group Reports:

AA 101: Tracy: not in attendance

Candlelight: April: not in attendance

Rise and Shine (open): not in attendance

Steps to Recovery: Tina: not in attendance

Serenity at noon thirty: Dawn: did not have business meeting, only 3 people showed up, going well, may have new alternate GSR, raised prudent reserve and started donating money monthly to area and district, should be getting a \$50 donation monthly

Courage to Change: Jim: not in attendance

Singleness of Purpose/Fort Benton meeting: Brandon: men's meeting at east side of pre-release center (mostly Lance and Brandon) - anyone who wants to share message can join. Looking forward to large attendance at upcoming Fellowship of the Falls.

Central Montana Group: Rayce: everything is good

Just for Today: Mary Beth: Paula is the new GSR

New Beginnings: Jacque: not in attendance

As Bill Sees It: not in attendance

Mustard Seed: Kelly Q: April is speaking August 12th (5 pm potluck, 5:30 pm share), business meeting chose to fund two MS members to attend Fellowship at the Falls

Sunday Serenity/Fourth Dimension: Brandon H: not in attendance

Rock Bottom: John: not in attendance

Belt: Regina: meeting has grown maybe due to warm weather, a few new women are attending who may share responsibilities as meetings grows

Al-Anon: Deb: Business meeting is on Saturday. Friday September 20th-21st assembly, going to have a big get together and anyone is welcome to attend. October 4th, 5th, and 6th: "What Women Want" will be having a booth. District meeting third Thursday of the month @ 6 pm.

7th tradition: \$24

Tradition 9: Brandy

Concept 9: Kelly

Snacks: Paula

The next District meeting will be September 15th @5 pm, right after 2025 Spring Roundup Planning Meeting.

Closed with Responsibility Statement. Adjourned at 6 pm.