

District 51 Minutes April 13th 2025

Present: Gene, Clayton, Leo, Bryan, Holly

Gene called meeting to order @ 3:30 and opened with a MOS & SP.

Holly read the 4th tradition

Secretary report: Bryan read the March minutes, 1st, 2nd and approved

Treasury report: Clyde absent, no treasury report

Old Business:

- PI Vacant- Ryan messaged Gene and said he would stand if we didn't have anyone by May. Clayton offered to help with PI and split up some of the duties. Holly made a motion to accept Ryan as PI chair with Clayton's help until we find a permanent volunteer. Bryan 2nd and motion passed.

New Business:

- Gene- Since elections, most groups are out of date in regards to GSRs. Gene has forms and would like to get them filled out and returned.
- Leo asked about existing District 51 chair positions. Gene listed the chairs and people in those roles. DCM-Gene, Alt DCM-Leo, Corrections/Treatment-Bryan F, Literature-Terry S, Grapevine-Connie F, Speaker/Audio-Clayton, Hotline/BTG-Holly D, Archives-Mark M, PI-Ryan M/Clayton Q and Secretary Ryan M
- Gene- Hotline report Area 40: Jan thru March 31st, 75 total calls, 26 missed calls and 0 calls for District 51.
- Bryan- Bryan thought we should submit an agenda item to Area in how we handle with hotline calls that could involve suicide. Area could provide some suggested protocols so it's not reliant on the person answering the phone.(This item came up after committee reports but I placed it here under new business)

Committee Reports:

- Alt DCM- Leo: Attended area assembly, had a good time. Learns something new everytime.
- Corrections/Treatment- Bryan F: Bryan went to the corrections committee at the area assembly. Met Daniel S the Area 40 chair. Bryan did request some literature, BB, DR and PLBB through an email for distribution throughout the district correctional facilities. Bryan inquired about any upcoming Corrections workshops. Daniel mentioned not yet....Bryan and Daniel might try to put one together for the Havre area. Bryan reached out to the Rocky Boy jail and they were very interested in bringing an AA meeting inside. Bryan reached out to the Fort Belknap jail and he's waiting to hear back from them. Bryan reached out to the Chinook/Blaine county sheriff's office and found out they no longer have a jail. Bryan will be distributing the Lit from the Area pink can fund either through the future local workshop or hand delivering to local facilities to help get his foot in the door. Bryan has also gotten 2 more male volunteers for jail meetings. Bryan did talk with Jay(CPC Chair) to see if he wanted to coordinate on future workshop or invite anybody.

- CPC- Jay: Absent, Nothing to report
- PI- Ryan/Clayton: Nothing to report
- Literature- Terry: Absent, Terry has all the current inventory. No sales in the last month.
- Grapevine- Connie: Absent, Nothing to report.
- Speaker/Audio- Clayton: A beneficiary donated a computer to Clayton and Clayton will be donating it for the speaker/audio chair in perpetuity because a computer is needed with the MP3s and audio files.
- Hotline- Holly: Discussion at Area about first aid and suicide prevention in regards to hotline calls. Is there some training hotline people should take? No hotline workshop coming up but the Area chair Lance W will be reaching out to see what the wants and needs are.
- Hotline- Holly: Gene is the current male volunteer for hotline. Holly asked if anyone else was interested. A brief job description was laid out. You have to answer phone 24 hrs a day, you should be aware of the 800 # they'll be calling from, a HL contact should know when and where the meetings are, be able to share experience strength and hope to a suffering alcoholic and possibly get the caller to a meeting. Clayton signed up to be the current male contact. (This item came up after committee reports but I placed it here under committee reports)
- BTG-Holly: Holly plans to attend BTG outreach workshop in Dillon on the 17th of May and will District help with the cost of Holly attending. Gene mentioned what the his costs have been from attending the WCRAASC and Area assembly. Holly said she will be going either way. Leo made a motion that we should fund our representatives to such events, Gene clarified motion to include all expenses: hotel, gas and food. Bryan 2nd motion. All were in favor.
- DCM- Gene: Gene gave a report on the overall themes of the WCRAASC and Area assembly being related to trust. Gene also gave a report on the Area assembly and some highlights. There are 347 GV subscriptions in Area 40 and the GV chair has a goal to increase that by 25%. Pink can be used for GV subscriptions for jails and prisons in MT. Gene gave a great report on these functions, but I did not want to include the whole report in the minutes but instead just hit the highlights. (Hopefully I can attach the DCM report for archives and future reference.)

Group Highlights:

- Noon group- Gene: They're plugging away as usual and Julie doing a good job chairing.
- Monday 12 x 12- Clayton: Meetings going good, good variety of people and new people coming to check out the PLBB.
- BBB- Gene: 3 to 7 people.
- 3rd step- Holly: Going really well, usually 10 to 15.
- R2R- Gene: 6 to 12 people, meetings going really well.
- Fireside- Leo: Doing well, 12 or 14 attendees.
- CWF/Harlem- Bryan: Bryan spoke with Kenneth, schedule is updated and correct. They've gotten some new people coming.
- Chinook- Bryan/Clayton: Thursday night at 7. Meeting wasn't open one night.
- Golden Triangle/ Rudyard- Bryan: 4 or 5 regulars the last time he was there. Thriving
- Malta groups- Gene: Gene hasn't heard any news from them
- Hays- Gene: Thursdays at the horse capture center 7pm.

- Fort Belknap- Gene: Monday 7pm, not sure location, not entirely sure if meeting is going. The Thursday night meeting is not going anymore.

Next meeting 5-18-25

Gene closed the meeting with the responsibility declaration.