

## District 7 Meeting Minutes for October 2015

**The meeting opened** at 7:01 PM, October 15, 2015 at the First Congregational Church on the SW corner of 415 Juniper Street in Brainerd MN., with the Serenity Prayer. Introductions were made; Carl DCM, Bob B. visitor, Gail Treasurer, Dave Secretary, Eric GSR, Carl Archives, Arden Corrections, Owen Alt GSR, Tom GSR, Scott GSR, Dennis GSR, Liz CPC/PI, Mark Literature/Grapevine, Vickie GSR, Neil District Web, Toni GSR and Gustie Visitor.

**Call for additions to the agenda:** None

**Concept 10** – Carl read; no discussion

**Tradition 10** – Mark read the long form; no discussion

**Secretaries Report- Dave:** There were no additions, but a correction was noted to correct the Malmo Rimer or Reason rep. name from Dusty to Gustie. Carl made a motion to accept August minutes, Gail seconded. Motion carried.

**Treasury Report-Gail,** Gail presented the September financial report. Dave made a motion to accept Septembers report, Arden seconded and motion passed.

### **GSR Reports-**

**Our Common Welfare-Eric,** OCW is a closed meeting of AA. We meet Wed. nights at 8:00 at First Congregational Church, 415 Juniper Street in Brainerd. We hold quarterly business meetings and Group Conscience meetings the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month. We are an AA approved literature discussion meeting. We carry the message into the Focus Unit the 3rd Monday of each month and C.W.C. Jail the 2nd and the 4th Thursday of each month. We always welcome any newcomers and have plenty of members willing to be sponsors.

**Nisswa Wednesday Women's Work–Jenny,** The Nisswa Wednesday Women's Work group meets at the Nisswa Fire Hall every Wednesday at 5:30 PM. We are a group of 25-30 women. We have topic, Step, 12 X 12, Big Book and speakers meetings. 1st Wednesday of the month is our speaker meeting followed by a pot luck and a group conscience meeting. We are active in Focus Treatment and Jail meetings and strong in sponsorship. On December 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will be having a holiday party at the Nisswa Community Center.

**Serenity in the Pines-Carl,** (sub GSR), We meet at 8:00 Thursday night at a cabin in the woods Located on Co. Rd. 49 across from the Eagles Landing golf course, take the third driveway on the left and park in the yard. Cabin is about a 1 city block walk. We average 7-10 people a week.

**Crosby/Ironton- Dicky,** Dicky was absent to illness but forwarded his report to Carl who presented this: We have been doing stories out of the Big Book. Attendance is getting smaller as snowbirds are starting to depart. Round Robin on October 24 starts at 4:30, hope you can make it.

**Cornerstone of Hope- Dennis,** We meet at 7:00 PM on Tues. at the Basement of the St. Francis Church. This is an open meeting. There is a rotating Chair person who picks the topic. We break into smaller groups for discussion and each group are free to leave when

they are finished. Attendance is low 20's. Focus Unit patients attend each week and we give them rides to and from. New or first time attendees receive a welcome medallion, call list and meeting schedule.

**Breakfast Club- Scott**, Meets 8:30 Monday-Friday at the Brainerd Alano club on Maple St. Attendance is 20-25 M-T with 30 plus people attending Friday Speaker meeting. Scott is planning on attending District 7 GSR school.

**Malmö AA- Gustie**, Meets on Monday 7:00 pm at Bethesda Lutheran Church. We have been averaging 20 people. 1st meeting of the month is on Steps, 2nd Monday is on Traditions and other two Mondays is open topic.

**Primary Purpose-Toni**, Meets Wednesday 7:00 at Living Water Church in Wahkon. We are a Big Book and 12 x 12 topic and discussion meeting. We are having about 10 in attendance. We have a pot luck on the 5<sup>th</sup> Wed. of the month. All is good.

**Friday Night Trinity Speaker Meeting-Owen/Tom**, Meets Friday 7:00 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Brainerd Attendance is starting to climb. We have speakers from all over come to share. Last Friday of the month is a potluck starting at 6:00.

#### **Action Committee Reports-**

**C.P.C. / P. I.-Liz**, New schedules are here. Enjoyed Fall Assembly. Is considering Area CPC chair position. Liz mentioned there will be a Pequot Lakes Gratitude Dinner Saturday November 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Literature/Grapevine-Mark**, Pamphlets for jails is on hand. Also, there is a case each of hard cover Big Books and 12 x 12 Books available. Also on hand: 12 x 12 on CD, Bill's tradition talk on CD, CPC on DVD and 10 each 12 x 12 and Big Book minis. Mark discussed the scheduled events found near the back of the Grapevine. Mark told a few jokes found in an old Grapevine edition.

**Corrections-Arden**, Attended Fall Assembly and the corrections breakout session. Both Aitkin and Sandstone meetings are going well. New pamphlets will be divided up between Aitkin and Crow Wing Jails and distributed.

**Archives-Carl**, Picking up material at Area Functions and other District meetings.

**Webmaster-Neil**, Passed around a list of known meetings currently on the website and the web calendar of events. He requested any updates to be duly noted.

**Treatment-Ann**, Ann has respectively resigned her position.

**Ait DCM- Eric**, Out sailing this month

**DCM Report – Carl**, DCM REPORT October 2015. Hello all. I attended the Fall Assembly the first weekend of October. Many of you were there. Kelly D. will be new Delegate. Alternate will be Roger R. Thanks for your support for delegate. Area chair, secretary, and treasurer were also voted on. The other positions will be filled by appointment from our new chair. If you know of someone to nominate for area chairs let me know and I'll send them to chair.

I will be going over some group changes in the next month. Group change forms can be down loaded from area 35 web site. You can edit them and email from the site. If you do that, include district DCM in your emails.

Thanks for allowing me to serve, Carl DCM D7

### **Old Business**

1. GSR School will be held December 17 with pot luck at 6:00, event at 7:00 followed by a abbreviated District meeting. Mark will schedule a GSR school sub-committee meeting to organize the details.

### **New Business/Old Business carried forward**

1. District 7 elections:
  - A. DCM: Liz was nominated but, respectively declined as she has been approached to consider an Area position. After Carl stated he would consider another rotation as DCM, Liz said she might consider Alt. DCM. She needed to converse with the incoming Area Chair before a decision could be reached.
  - B. Alt DCM: No nominations or volunteers
  - C. Secretary: No nominations or volunteers
  - D. Treasurer: No nominations or volunteers Gail indicated she might consider another rotation as treasurer
  - E. Corrections Chair: Liz nominated Vickie. With no additional nominations to consider, Vickie was voted in.
  - F. Treatment Chair: No nominations or volunteers Toni indicated some interest but is concerned with traveling issues. She will consider position and let us know of her decision.
  - G. Literature/Grapevine: Mark nominated Dennis for this position. With no additional nominations to consider, Dennis was voted in.
  - H. Archives: No nominations or volunteers
  - I. District Web: No nominations or volunteers Eric K. has expressed interest in this position, but was absent from this meeting.

### **Calendar of Events**

1. GSR school December 17, 2015

We closed the meeting with the Lord's Prayer at 8:14