

District 22 - Monthly Meeting Minutes

January 4, 2014

Meeting Time: 4:30
Serenity Prayer
Tradition 1 – Linda L.
Concept 1 – Jessica R.

In attendance: 37

Review of District Minutes- motion Dan S. Seconded Linda L.

New Gsr's/ Alternate:

Rick B. – Friday Sherman Recovery Group
Christine A. – Alt GSR Monday Night First Baptist

Visitors:

Ken

Welcome to D22. Your service work and commitment is greatly appreciated.

Recent Anniversaries:

Happy Anniversary!!! Congratulations to everyone having another day of sobriety.

Announcements from the floor:

- <http://dist22.aa-nia.org/Events.html>
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- Kevin is in charge of the Alcathon for the 2015 NIA Spring Conference he has time slots open from 6pm on Friday till 8am on Sunday there is a sign up sheet with topics
- Lisa E. is in charge of the Hospitality room for the 2015 NIA Spring Conference if any of your meetings is wishing to host a time slot for 2 hours please contact her for the times available.

Old Business:

New Business:

- Election of Grapevine Committee Chair – Bobby G.
- Election of CPC Chair – Ken W.

Officer Reports:

DCM: Manus

Monthly DCM Report
January 4th 2014

I attended and participated in the NIA Assembly on December 13th. Sadly, very little was accomplished with most of the day spent in talking about motions which failed to pass.

Unfortunately this left no time for service chair or committee reports.

I also attended the 2015 Conference/Assembly committee meeting. I am happy to report everything seems to be going smoothly although there are apparently still issues with the on line registration that have not been solved. I am saddened to have to report that Joe M., our District 22 Co-Chair has resigned. Co-Chair John G indicated he would be happy to continue alone but the committee agreed to allow me to report to the district and invite anyone who is of a mind to stand for the position at the next meeting on January 18th. However, I am not clear whether the committee will elect anyone at this late date.

DCMA: Kevin

- No report but I have stocked up on coffee supplies

Treasurer: Dan S.

District 22 Treasury Report Year End 2014

- December 2014 Contributions = \$2,181.83
 - Includes the return of Christmas Party Seed Money plus \$428.83
- December 2014 Expenses = \$214.07
- 2014 YTD Contributions = \$9,578.79
- 2014 YTD Expenses = \$9,515.23
- Working Balance = \$2,910.49
- Completed and submitted final paperwork with Kane County for Raffle permit from Christmas party
- Completed paperwork and Received EIN number for District 22
- Compiled prior 3 years of financial data and prepared budget for review and discussion – Passed & Attached below

- Seeking input on a condensed version of typical spreadsheet for easier viewing – Passed
- Please remind your group during the business meeting to consider a 60/30/10 split of their donation to district 22/Area 20/GSO respectfully.
- Motion to pay quarterly to GSO & NIA – motion passed

Budgeting an additional 38.8% for expenses and anticipating an additional 16.4% in contributions in 2015

Prop 1 - Increase Literature and Treatment Facilities budgets to encourage even more work and involvement. Reduce inactive and slower committee budgets until a need presents itself.

Prop 2 - Increase St. Hugh Rent for committee meetings in an effort to be self-supporting, cover sub-committee meeting usage and to better align attendees contributions with coffee and rent expenses.

Prop 3 - Consider Regional Forum increase in anticipation of higher attendance being that 2 of 4 events in 2015 will take place in St. Louis and Milwaukee.

Prop 4 - Consider making quarterly contributions to GSO and NIA to help regulate a more consistent balance and availability of funds that arise on a regular basis.

LCM:

Sandy M. – Month of December I attended 4 meetings and everything is going smooth.

Mary W. – No Report

Rick W. - Meeting attendance has been good at the meetings I was able to attend. If there is someone interested in a service opportunity, there are a few meetings that need a GSR.

Rick

Keith B. – No report

GSR Reports:

Thursday:

- Andy- New Horizons Group (treatment center in our district) needs support
- John- Open Big Book at 6pm we have a business meeting at 7pm also looking for a GSR

Friday:

- Mike- Beginners Meeting at the Program House- attendance is low, putting on a workshop Jan 17th at First Baptist
- Jim- Friday Morning Eye Opener- donuts and valet parking- gave money for 60/30/10 split
- Joe- No Name Brotherhood- we are a young group and we are looking for anyone who has more time to please join and give your experience

Saturday:

- Saturday Open Speaker Meeting- we are looking for a treasurer also we have filled up the months through June except for March, please let us know if you are interested in hosting the meeting
- Little Red Door- going good
- Healing the Heart- we are a step study except for the last week of the month we study a tradition

Sunday:

- In Depth Big Book Study- we sent donations out and we are having our Open Speaker Meeting coming up in January, we also will have our business meeting tonight
- LSSI 8pm Big Book Study- at the halfway house side needs support

Monday:

- LSSI 8pm needs support and also on the halfway house side needs support

Tuesday:

- Women's New Beginnings at 7pm- we had a great turn out for the New Year's Eve Alcathon thank you all for coming out and we hope you had a great time with a sober place to be on New Year's Eve! ☺

Wednesday:

- Renz Center 6pm- needs support
- 12x12x12 & more- meets at the Elgin Alano Club at 8pm, the 4th Wednesday of the month we have a business meeting, we also have group activities planned in 2015, looking to host a workshop and also we will be hosting a month the month of June for the Sherman Open Meeting

Committee Final Reports:

Answering Service: Mary

- No report

Archives: John

- Looking for old schedules from 2 years or more as we are working on a project; please contact John M. or Nate B.

C.P.C.:

- No report

Correctional Facilities: Herbert

- No report

Directories: Laurie

- No report

Grapevine:

- No report

Literature: *Kristen*

- Newcomer packets available for purchase. There are new pamphlets of Circle of Love & Service, and also Many Pathways of Spirituality

PI: Linda

- Happy New Year to all;

I attended the NIA Winter Assembly at Lord of Life church on December 13th. During the break out sessions I pick up on some new ideas that other districts are doing and plan to implement some into my work here. I will discuss them more at length when I begin to work on those things.

Well, last month I reported I was to attend a meeting regarding assisting the homeless. Unfortunately, I did not make that meeting as Ms. S. lost my email address and I did not receive the information on date and time. So, in following up with her there will be another meeting this month regarding an organization called "street reach". Street reach provides shelter for the homeless, but unlike PADS will except people even if they are under the influence of drugs or alcohol. We will be discussing ways to assist these people in being referred to detox, AA, or treatment, according to what they need, instead of enabling them in their addiction. Help them get the help they so desperately need. I have spoken with Bill B. (treatment chair) about this and he has agreed to join me at this meeting. I will update everyone on that as I get the information.

I have made some great contacts at the Gail Bordon Library. I've spoken with the director of information services and we are now welcomed to have any public information displayed on the community bulletin board. Open Meetings, Public workshops, etc. I can get a flyer to her and it will be posted. She has also agreed to post a current meeting schedule.

Also the content manager has informed me the any titles we would like to have available in the library he will add to the shelves. so, any and all suggestions are welcome, and if anyone has any books they would like to donate please see me. They do have a Big Book, but there was no 12 & 12. He said that it was possibly "checked out", as that book and the Big Book are notorious for being "checked out" and either never returned, or mysteriously re-appear after 6 months to a year. So possibly a few extra copies would be in order.

The Grapevine will also be displayed!! We are working out the details of where and how it will be displayed but preferably in a quiet area where people tend to sit and read. Someone has graciously donated a years subscription of the grapevine to the library. Anyone with issues from 2014 or 2013 they would like to donate, please see me.

It's going to be a great year!! Many more things to come!!

I will also be attending the NIA Winter Committee meeting at Lord of Life church on January 24.

Special Needs: Bob

- NIA Spring Conference co-chair. District 70 Special Needs chair said they have backup ASL interpreters for the conference. I would appreciate it if all GSR's for listed meetings would check to see if the Accessibilities designation for their meeting is currently correct and if not so to let Laurie know so she can make the changes needed. Thanks

Treatment: Bill

- We are continuing to work with LSSI & MENS WEST on Monday night women's meeting and working with Men's West Alumni to Co sponsor event , Sunday night In Depth Big Book study on Feb 15 to allow the men at the half way house to be part of the Pot Luck / Speaker event that night ~ bridge the gap. Getting big books to Elgin Mental Health as requested ~ we are in the works getting a room or putting treatment panel together for the NIA Spring Conference.
- Alex- we went to the breakout session at the Assembly – Bridging the Gap, we are working with Wheezy (NIA Treatment Chair) and Chuck (Bridging the Gap Chair) – to be of service to someone getting out of treatment

Website: Larry

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There were 803 visits to the site in December. Those visits were made by 470 separate people and they viewed a total of 1858 pages.

Please remember that there is a link on the infomation for members page that you can use to report changes to the meeting schedule.

I can put up a page for your group or for your committee. You just need to provide content. Also you need to let me know when there are updates to the information on your page.

If you want your Saturday night speakers listed on the website please email me the names and last initials at larrys86@comcast.net or go to the website and you can email webmaster.

Website Visits

	Unique Visitors	Visits	Pageviews
December 2014	470	803	1858
November 2014	515	918	2153
October 2014	541	974	2190
September 2014	537	1029	2355
August 2014	524	949	2235
July 2014	527	1005	2454
June 2014	480	967	2299
May 2014	475	841	2102
April 2014	443	818	1998
March 2014	486	900	2235
February 2014	421	732	1766
January 2014	463	860	2227

Upcoming Area Events:

Annapolis Intergroup Annual Convention **Annapolis, MD January 16-18, 2015**

NIA Winter Committee Meeting **LA Fox, IL January 24**

Elgin's Bid for ISCYPAA Literautre Workshop **Elgin, IL January 17**

District 91 Winter Workshops **Galesburg, IL January 17, February, March 21, 2015**

Conference of Delegates Past and Present **Bay City, MI February 13-15**

2015 Spring Assembly and Conference **St. Charles, IL March 27-29, 2015**

District Meeting – Feb 8th – 4:30pm, St. Hugh of Lincoln

Peace, Love & Unity

Alicia F.- District 22 Secretary