

DISTRICT 19 MEETING MINUTES
October 13, 2004

1. **Attendees**

- a. GSR's & **Lisa B.**, GSR Back to Basics & Records Chair; **Julie L.**, GSR AV Monday AM; **Rob R.**, GSR Ridge Runners
Chairs : III; **David A.**, Corrections Chair; **Helen A.**, GSR Hastings AA; **John S.**, GSR An Easier Softer Way;
Peter W., GSR Living Sober & Treatment Chair; **Debra K.**, PI & CPC Chair, Monday AM Women's;
Darrel K., GSR Grace Lutheran Apple Valley; Ruth B., Grapevine Chair; **Sydne E.**, Women w/Wings.
- b. Officer's: **Sissy E.**, DCM; **Mary M.**, Alt DCM; **Jerry P.**, Treasurer; **Vikki T.**, Secretary & GSR Rosemount.
- c. Guests: **Esther H.**, serving as District 19's Election Judge

This month: Tradition 10 – Mary M. Concept 10 – Debra K. Tradition 11 – David A. Concept 11 – Debra K.

2. **Secretary's Report**

Report was approved with the following correction, Mary M., volunteered for Tradition 10 and Mary O., volunteered for Concept 10.

3. **Treasurer's Report**

Report was approved. Noted: Extra funds were spent on rent and committees need to spend their budget.

4. **DCM Report**

Attended the Area Inventory on September 18, 2004 which was a great experience. Very interesting & informative. Suggestion for districts to do an inventory. Is there a need for District 19 to do an inventory? If so, would need to set up a time and proceed from there. What do your groups think?

5. **Alternate DCM Report**

Also attended the Area Inventory, it was good to see how it works. *Would be great to see more GSRs attend.*

6. **Committee Reports**

- a. **Jerry P., Finance:** Spend, spend, spend.
- b. **Lisa B., Directories & Records:** Have directories if anyone needs any. Still working on the folded format kind. David A., will be following up on a quote from a Rosemount printer. Lisa mentioned that hours of operation are very important due to dropping off and picking up.
- c. **Literature Chair:** THIS POSITION IS OPEN. ANYONE INTERESTED IN BECOMING THE LITERATURE CHAIR PLEASE COME TO THE NEXT DISTRICT MEETING ON WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 10th.
- d. **Debra K., Public Information & Cooperation w/Professionals:** Working with Ruth, contacting the high schools in District 19. On 11/23/04 will be meeting with the School of Environmental Studies (Zoo School), to present Grapevine literature and propose an A.A.I. and on 12/3/04 presenting an A.A.I. to Apple Valley High School. Looking for volunteers for the 12/3 presentation. This presentation starts at 8:00 am and is on a Friday. It was also suggested to Debra that she contacts Julie K., the Area Public Information Chair, for ideas.
- e. **Peter W., Treatment Chair:** Received a call from the Dakota County Jail treatment department. The gal that called had a pretty good idea of what she is looking for. Will continue communications with her. Plan to get together with Debbie, who has moved to California, regarding the contacts she made while here to treatment facilities. More information will be made available at the next meeting.
- f. **David A., Corrections Chair:** Visiting local jails providing them with literature he received from the Area Corrections Chair. Will be needing more literature as more contacts are made. Was asked if he had contacted the Juvenile Detention Centers, which could be a great opportunity to do an A.A.I.
- g. **Doug S., Minneapolis Intergroup Liason:** Not able to attend but contacted Sissy, our DCM, with the message that Intergroup is having elections and someone will be at the November district meeting. He wishes us well.
- h. **Mary O., St. Paul Intergroup Liason:** Not able to attend but contacted Vikki, our secretary, with the following:
 - * St. Paul Intergroup will be holding elections on November 17th at 7:30 pm. **(2) Member-at-Large**, a two-year position with one-year minimum sobriety requirement. **Secretary**, a one-year position with a one-year minimum sobriety requirement. **Treasurer**, a one-year position with a two-year sobriety requirement and an **Alternate Chair**, a three-year position with two-year minimum sobriety. For details on duties and responsibilities you may call 651-227-5502 or go on line at www.aastpaul.org.
 - * St. Paul Intergroup Gratitude Night: Saturday November 13th at 7:30 pm at Lutheran Church of the Redeemer 285 North Dale Street (Dale & Iglehart). Main speaker is Carl B., from Rock Springs, Wyoming.
 - * Lifeline subscriptions are available for a \$5.00 a month contribution. Email is lifeline@aastpaul.org or call 651-227-5502.
- i. **Ruth B., Grapevine Chair:** Have been out of town due to new job. Looking forward to working with Debra K., on the high school projects.

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7. Old Business

- a. **District 19 Workshop "Carrying The Message"** Saturday October 30, 2004 at the Hastings Alano Club 205 East 3rd Street in Hastings. Time: 10:00 am – 1:00 pm. This is going to be great. Mark your calendars now.
- b. Area 36 Literature Committee Big Book Glossary Proposal. 3 GSRs say their groups are for the glossary and 2 GSRs are not for the glossary. Some of the issues are (1) where do the definitions come from? (2) this is what a sponsor is for (3) not everyone has a sponsor on hand (4) do we want to spend money on another printing of the Big Book? (5) this is not necessary. What is your groups' opinion?
- c. Spanish Linguistics District Proposal – not much said. Does your group agree with the addition of a Spanish District?
- d. Proposal to Resubmit GSC Agenda item for having access to materials being considered for approval. 1 GSR says their group is for it and 1 GRS says their group is divided. Do we trust the concepts which grant authority over our elected people or do we risk another mishap like the 4th Edition of the Big Book. What does your group think? Ester, a past delegate, does see the necessity of this proposal because she has been there, asked to vote on things she has not seen and would have liked the opportunity to have seen it first.

8. New Business

- a. The Pigeon, which is the Area Newsletter, is proposing publication policy changes. This will be discussed at the November District Meeting due to lack of time at the October meeting.
- b. District Officer Elections were held and starting in January 2005 the new officers of District 19 are:
Mary M., DCM **Lisa B.**, Alternate DCM **Debra K.**, Secretary **Vikki T.**, Treasurer
New Committee Chair Persons will be selected at the November Meeting. Come and be of service.

9. Announcements and 12 Step Opportunities

October 23 Area Assembly – Officer Elections Holiday Inn –9:00 am -5:00 pm
2101 South Broadway New Ulm

Directions: Highway 13 South taking Exit 3B (toward Shakopee) stay straight to go onto County Road 101 North Stay straight to go onto Highway 169 South. Turn right onto MN 99. Turn right on US 14. Turn left on to Highway 37. (Highway 37 becomes 20th St South). Turn left onto MN 15 South/MN 68 E.

(Note: These directions were taken off of Map Quest. Approximate time is a little over 2 hours. Keep in mind this is from the starting of the directions and not from where you are starting.)

October 30	"Carry the Message"	Hastings Alano Club 205 East 3 rd St Hastings
November 11	Celebrating Our 7 th Anniversary Open Circle Church	Back to Basics Big Book Study Group 2400 Highland Drive in Burnsville
November 13	St. Paul Intergroup Gratitude Night	Lutheran Church of the Redeemer 285 N Dale St @ 7:30 pm
November 17	St. Paul Intergroup Board Elections	1600 University Suite 407 St. Paul @ 7:00 pm

10. New Meeting:

An Easier, Softer Way Men's Big Book Study on Friday Nights @ 7:30 pm
Open Speaker Meeting on the last Friday of every month.
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
151 E County Road 42 Burnville

Attention all General Service Representatives: District 19 Needs You !!!!

with over 40 groups in our district, 8 General Service Reps come to the District meeting. These 8 people need your help to keep District 19 growing and able to be there for the still suffering alcoholic.

If you can not attend the meeting, please elect a General Service Rep who can. The next District meeting will be held on Wednesday November 10th at the Falcon Ridge Middle School on the corner of Mc Andrews and Johnny Cake Road.

