

## DISTRICT 19 MEETING MINUTES

October 12, 2005

### 1. Attendees

GSR's: Greg B., Hastings AA, Jason T., Living Sober, David, Rosemount AA, Jennifer S., Back to Basics, Debra K., Mon. AV Women's AA

Chairs: Darrel K., Website, Kathy L., Directories & Group Records, Matt T., Literature, Patti W., Treatment Centers, Jim W., Minneapolis Intergroup Liaison

Officer's: Mary M., DCM, Lisa B., Alt. DCM and Treasurer, Debra K., Secretary

This month: Tradition 10 – Jennifer S. Concept 10 – Jim W. Next month: Tradition 11 – Rebecca J. Concept 11 – Kathy L

### 2. Secretary's Report

Report was approved.

### 3. Treasurer's Report

Report was approved.

## DCM Report

a. Mary was unable to attend the West Central Region Forum in Great Falls, MT, due to illness

b. Again, a reminder that GSRs and our DCM will be voting on the following issues at the Oct 22 Area Assembly in Austin: (please list the 1st 5 things from Oct's dist meeting agenda under "DCM Report" 5.1).

c. At the Sept District meeting GSRs were asked to ask their groups "Should Area 36 have an electronic version of The Pigeon" and "Should it be posted on the Area 36 website?"

The Area Assembly will be asking the districts to gather opinions from the groups about whether Area 36 should have an electronic version of the Pigeon.

d. There have been requests for AAI's from schools in the past month. As a reminder AAI's are a function of the District to help groups carry the message. If anyone would like to conduct an AAI please contact

### 5. Alternate DCM Report

No report

### 7. GSR Reports

**Jennifer S., Back to Basics**, they are having their anniversary meeting Oct. 27 at 7 pm. Their group overall approved gathering information about having an electronic version of the Pigeon available.

**Greg ?, Hastings AA**, Greg is the new GSR for the group. He has previous GSR experience from Duluth, MN and in South Carolina. Welcome Greg

**Jason T., Living Sober**, group members were inquiring if the packets of outreach information packets were helping to carry the message and if more groups have started to contribute to the district. They have one firm service commitment every 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday at Fairview Hospital and are looking for more.

**Rebecca J., GIR, Living Sober**, has talked to Patti W. about the treatment service opportunities and would like to learn more about AAI training.

## 8. Committee Reports

**Finance:** no report

### **Kathy L., Directories & Records.**

Since meeting directories are available for \$0.25 each, we have not gone through the inventory as quickly as we have in the past. There is a new Spanish Meeting in District 19, however they do not want to be added in the directory at this time. Area 36 website will have the directory available in pdf form

### **Patti W., Treatment.**

The following service opportunities are looking for people to bring meetings into their facilities:

**New Connection Programs:** This is an adolescent outpatient treatment program. The person I talked to said, they would not be picky. They are either looking for AA meetings to be brought in or a speaker to tell their story. Their ideal time would be between 12:00 noon and 2:00 pm on any day of the week Monday through Friday. They are willing to be flexible

**Journey Counseling Services:** This is an adult outpatient treatment facility. They have an evening group and a day group. Their sessions rotate every twelve weeks. They have heard of the six-week 4th step workshops and are hoping to get someone to come in and do one at their facility. Their clients are "chronic DUIs" - Journey provides transportation to the treatment, but nearly all of them have transportation problems. The evening group generally has about twenty clients and the day group has between five to eight individuals. They are hoping to get the workshop for the evening session, but would be ecstatic if they were able to get one for the daytime group as well.

If anyone knows the people who do the workshops, please email the contact information to [weberpl@comcast.net](mailto:weberpl@comcast.net). I would be happy to follow-up with those folks.

### **David A., Corrections Facilities**

Pat C. reported for David that the paperwork has been filled out for the background checks to bring in a meeting once a week in the Hastings county Jail. There had been some confusion between other groups about the availability of new meetings and how much of a need for meetings there was.

### **Jim W., Greater Minneapolis Intergroup liaison.**

Intergroup has elected their new board members.

### **Public Information** (vacant)

#### **Pat C., CPC**

No report

#### **Darrel K., Website**

Darrel reviewed Area 36 and discovered that most of the districts have their website. The expenses to have a domain name ([d19@area36.com](mailto:d19@area36.com)) would be \$8.95/year or \$70.00/10 years. Hosting fees range anywhere from \$4.95 to \$500.00 per year. Darrel stated he has a server to host the website therefore the cost would be an in-kind contribution. He would set up software to allow the next person, who rotates into this position, move it to another server without any complications. A proposal was made to have the GSR's ask their groups if they want to have a website available for D19.

#### **Matt T., Literature**

No report

#### **Grapevine** (vacant)

## **9. Old Business**

- a. Pat C. stated he has daytime availability for making outreach calls to groups. He is looking for a volunteer to help him. Lisa stated she would email him the list of volunteers available. Those involved in the Outreach effort were encouraged to set a goal for how many groups to visit before the Nov. district mtg.
- b. Mary M. reported that D16 has been discussing possible agenda items for the 2006 General Service Conference that takes place in April. At the Nov. district meeting Mary will information on one possible "Hot Topic" agenda item for next year's Gen. Service Conf.

## **10. New Business**

- a. Each committee needs to have their budget proposal for the November meeting. Each proposal should have a breakdown of expenses i.e.: mileage, supplies, etc. as well as in-kind expenses if they apply.
- b. Mary asked for input on how to make the best use of our time at the Dist meeting and at the same time encourage open communication and discussion of the issues without feeling pressured to stick rigidly to the agenda. She reported that some of the other districts have a Steering Committee that meets once between district meetings. The purpose of the Steering Committee Meeting is to set a draft agenda of the following month's agenda, foster communication and brainstorming opportunities for the district officers and committee chairs.

Reimbursement of and backup plan for unused airfare was tabled until the next meeting.

## **11. Announcements and 12-Step Opportunities**

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| Sept. 8, 2005 – Jan. 8, 2006 | Big Book Study<br>4 sessions (Fall and Winter)<br>Contact: Dick or Mary C.<br><a href="mailto:Info@into-action.com">Info@into-action.com</a> |
| October 22, 2005             | Area Assembly<br>Holiday Inn<br>Austin, MN<br>9:00 am – 5:00 pm  |
| November 5, 2005             | Trusted Servant Leadership Day<br>1 <sup>st</sup> Baptist Church<br>1021 Hennepin Avenue<br>Minneapolis, MN<br>8:30 am – 4:00 pm             |
| November 25 – 27, 2005       | Founder's Day<br>Doubletree Park Place Hotel<br>St. Louis Park, MN   |
| January 7 – 8, 2006          | Recovery, Unity & Service conference<br>Kahler Hotel<br>Rochester, MN  |

January 20 – 22, 2006

Wild Rice Round-up  
Shooting Star Hotel and Event Center  
Mahnomon, MN

**FINANCIAL REPORT**  
**For Period 9/14/05 to 10/12/05**

DISTRICT 19 GENERAL SERVICE  
POST OFFICE BOX 1466  
BURNSVILLE, MN 55337-0466

<b>Balance:</b>	<b>9/13/2005</b>		<b>\$1,302.70</b>
Reserve Fund	(1/6 of \$2,050 budget)	\$341.67	
Operating Fund	(1/2 of \$2,050 budget)	\$1025.00	
<b>Beginning balance less reserves</b>			<b>\$1,366.67</b>

**CONTRIBUTIONS:**

Burnsville, Eagan, Savage Sunday 8pm  
Hastings  
Ridgerunners II  
Living Sober  
Living Sober (2<sup>nd</sup> Distribution)  
South Suburban Group  
Dakota Alano Friday 6pm  
Back to Basics

**TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS:** **\$246.97**

**EXPENDITURES:**

1418	Debra Kiefat	Postage and Copies	\$43.79
1419	Vikki Trongard	Treasurer folders	\$7.46
1420	Matt Trongard	Literature	\$43.28

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES:** **\$94.53**

**ENDING BALANCE WITH RESERVE:** **\$1455.14**

Next Meeting: Wednesday 11/9/05  
Rosemount Community Center: Room 220  
Time: 7:00 pm  
(13885 South Robert Trail in Rosemount)