

District 7 General Service Meeting Minutes

Cross View Lutheran Church
6645 McCauley Trail
Edina, MN

December 10, 2006

I. Open - 6:30 pm

A. Serenity Prayer

B. Introductions: Jim D., Kay, Shannon, Pete, Anne, Kelly, Tracy, Randy, Chad, Duncan, Justin, Terry, Larry, Rick, Blake, Brady, Vince, Lindsay, Mike, Erica, Lisa, Mark, Marvin, Pam, Dan and Timothy.

C. Concept study: Pete gave a presentation on Concept 12. Jim D. will give a presentation on Concept 1 next month.

D. Recognition of new General Service Representatives (GSR's): Lisa is the new GSR for Crushed Grapes. Pam is the new Alternate GSR for Crushed Grapes.

II. Approval of 2006 District 7 General Service Meeting Minutes.

III. Standing Committee Chairs and Intergroup Liaison Reports:

Lindsay, Remote Communities:

The DCM from District 22 approached Lindsay to see if our district would be interested in helping to fund ASL interpretation at the Recovery, Unity and Service Conference in January. We discussed this further in New Business. Lindsay spoke with a lady in the Hmong community who gave her a list of places to distribute the new Hmong translated pamphlets.

Terry, Finance:

Terry attended the Area Finance Committee meeting. It was discussed that the District treasure should be attending these meeting. They discussed the Area budget and it was pointed out that a large portion of the money that came in from last year was from the Women's Conference. With the Area budget, they will now do a separate report for the Pink Can Plan funds. There was a discussion on changing the way the area would be reimbursed for service events that they provide to the community.. It was discussed that the receiver of the service should be paying for the service. This was defeated at the Finance committee meeting. It was thought that if they request that the receiver of the service pay for the event, they may not want to have the event at all. The mileage reimbursement amount has changed from \$0.29 to \$0.31 a mile. Terry brought some finance literature to take back to your meetings.

Tracy, Intergroup Liaison:

There is a full time job available at the Intergroup Office. If you are interested, please submit your resume and AA background to the Intergroup office by January 12, 2007. Tracy passed out fliers for various upcoming events including the Pass It On Marathon that will be held at the Central Lutheran Church in Minneapolis on Sunday, December 31st. The doors open for that event at 8:00pm. Also Gratitude Night will be held on Saturday April 14th at the Convention Center in Minneapolis. The doors open at 6:00pm and the speaker will start at 7:00pm.

Kay, Grapevine:

Check out the Grapevine website. The digital archives have all of the past Grapevine articles and you can search for them by topic. The current issue of the Grapevine can be downloaded from the website and you can hear the audio on some of the articles.

IV. Officer Reports:

Marvin, Treasure:

The books have balanced as of November 30th. All rent and PO box charges have been paid through the end of the year. The new District officers need to go to Citizens Bank to be added as a signer to the District checking account. If you would like a copy of the budget, let Marvin know and he can mail you a copy.

Kelly, Secretary:

No report.

Jim, Alternate DCM:

Jim attended the DCM orientation at the Area Committee meeting.

Pete, DCM:

Group contributions to GSO are 11% higher than budgeted and 13% higher than last year. GSO is still in need of stories for the Native North American pamphlet, so the deadline has been extended. The Grapevine is looking at how to reach a younger community.

V. GSR Sharing and Questions:

Anne, Minnetonka Big Book:

They are working on getting a speaker for the upcoming breakfast they will have the weekend before Gopher State.

Shannon, Crushed Grapes:

There have been a lot of new faces at the meeting. Shannon will be rotating out and Lisa will be the new GSR. Pam will be the new Alternate GSR.

Duncan, Colonial Way:

They currently have all service positions filled including an Alternate GSR. Duncan went to District 21 Group Inventory. They were interested in what are doing for our group outreach project. Duncan will give them a sample outreach

packet. He pointed out that their when their district does a rotation of service positions, they have 2 separate meetings in December and January to help with the transition.

Brady, Foxhall:

Foxhall recently picked up another speaking commitment at Fairview Riverside on the 2nd Saturday of the month. They will have a business meeting this week to elect new officers.

VI. Old Business:

Open House:

Pete did not talk to the church yet about having this event there. This was tabled until next month.

Literature Racks:

Mike spoke with Libraries and High Schools in Eden Prairie, Chanhassen and Edina about adding literature racks to their facilities. Eden Prairie High School is checking to see if they need a rack, but they are in need of meeting directories. Edina High School can not have a rack there, but would like the literature. Chanhassen Library has a literature rack already that is being filled on a regular basis. Mike will continue to contact the Libraries and Schools and will also look into Churches, Sober Schools, and Large Businesses in the area. If you have any other ideas of where we could add literature racks, please contact Mike.

VII. New Business

New Committee Officers and Chairs:

Jim is looking into forming a new committee that would be called the 3rd legacy committee. This committee will work on carrying the 3 legacies to meetings in our district.

The following is a list of the new officers and committee chairs we have so far.

DCM: Jim D.
Alt. DCM: Lindsay W.
Treasure: Brady K.
Secretary: Joe S.
CPC: Chad K.
Group Records: Kay K.
Grapevine: Vince K.
Archives: Randy A.
Finance: Terry L.
Newsletter: Timothy F.
Web: James B.

The rest of the committee members will be decided at the next district meeting. If you are interested in serving as a committee chair, please contact Jim D.

ASL at R.U.S. Conference:

This was requested by the ASL community. The cost to provide ASL interpretation for the weekend would be \$1600.00. District 22 would like to fund this and is asking if we would like to help. This was discussed and a motion was made to NOT help fund the conference. This motion passed.

District 7 Trusted Servant Guidelines:

This literature describes all of the jobs for the officers and committee chairs for our district. Jim passed these out at the meeting.

VIII. GSR Report (Alt DCM)

IX. Close - 8:00 pm

A. Responsibility Statement

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I am responsible... When anyone, anywhere,
Reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that: I am
responsible.

A Declaration of Unity

This we owe to A.A.'s future: To place our common welfare first; to keep our fellowship united. For on A.A. unity depend our lives, and the lives of those to come.