

District Minutes 11/8/05

Present: Terry D., JoAnn E., Tom L., Travis M., Jim V., Eva, Doug A., Sarah C.

Opened with "I am Responsible"

Announcements: 11/24/05 – Thanksgiving dinner, fellowship, and meeting 2:00 Fifth Avenue

1/7/06-1/8/06 – Recovery, Unity, Service Workshop Kahler Hotel, Rochester

1/21/06 District 9 Sponsorship Workshop, Taylor Hall

3/3/06-3/5/06 – West Central Regional AA Service Conference, Double Tree Park Place, Minneapolis

Minutes: Approved as read

Treasurer's Report: Beginning balance: \$643.57; Income: \$130.00 Squad 13; Expenses: \$29.77 phone bill; Ending balance: \$743.80. Report accepted as read.

DCM Report: Doug A. attended the area assembly and reported the following. Stan M., former delegate, expressed concern about bureaucratic malaise in the area service structure. PI and CPC committees put on "Clear View High School" skit about making presentations to high school kids. District 19 presented on "Outreach to Insular Groups" (more info at www.area36/district_19.php). Area "Temporary Contact" pamphlet is nearing completion (more info at <http://www.area36.org/treatment.php>). Pink Can Plan funds are available, but district chairs need to talk with facility staff about what and how to request for inmates. A sample GSR report was presented.

Archives Report: Received Archives Chair packet.

CPC/PI Report: KTOE and KDOG are playing PSAs. Voted to spend \$10 to buy CDs to copy (if material is not copyrighted) PSAs for KYSM and KEEZ. At suggestion of DMC, Jim will contact CCTV about getting PSA on the crawl. Voted to purchase new PSAs for TV; Jim will check on when PSAs are airing. Terry took Grapevines to ISJ and Blue Earth County Library. ISJ requested schedules, which Jim will deliver. Library suggested also placing materials in the North Mankato Library, but that is not in our district.

Corrections Report: Terry expressed concern that the district needs more pink cans and information about how the Pink Can Plan money should be collected. Travis will talk to the Pink Can Chair for ways other districts handle money and look into prices for more secure cans. Travis talked with Jack Considine, who was responsive and said that he will order literature. Travis got a list of suggested items to request.

TF Report: Not present.

Website Report: Southern Minnesota Roundup Info is posted on the site.

Old Business:

District Archives on Webpage – will post district minutes online (Website chair will forward from secretary)

Hotline – Answering Service is cost prohibitive. Will continue current system.

Literature Cabinet – Alano Board claims that they originally bought the literature and were never paid for it by the district, so they will not buy it back. Doug will discuss with the board possibility of District simply dispersing the literature.

Workshop – Workshop will be 1/21/06 around 2:00. There will be 3, 30 minute speakers, a snack break, a 1 hour panel with Q & A, dinner, and then the regular 8:00 speaker meeting with a focus on sponsorship.

New Business:

Literature/Grapevine Chair – need to elect a new one—tabled due to lack of attendance

District Newsletter – tabled

CPC Luncheon – decided that it was a good idea to have a lunch or dinner and invite professionals and have AAs present to talk with them about AA and answer any questions.

GSR sharing session:

Thursday 8pm Belgrade – still meeting

6:30pm Monday Lutes – Put money from the basket in the pink can because treasurer was absent, but the money then disappeared.

Step Study – Not reading 1st step every time there is a newcomer at the meeting. All groups are welcome to use the newcomer packets.

Lady Steppers – Meeting Tuesdays (average 6-12) and Thursdays (average 6-20). Newcomers and people with long-term sobriety present.

Meeting was closed with the declaration of unity

Next Meeting: December 13, 7:00pm, Taylor Hall.