

District 13 Minutes

January 3, 2009

DCM Laura L. opened the meeting at 9:00 A.M.

ATTENDANCE:

Member guests Jennifer M, Lynne M, Dennis K, Ernie, and Carson W, Living Sober GSR Allen S, E. Jordan GSR Pat M, Living Sober Alt. GSR Kathy S, Harbor Hall Noon GSR & 2010 State Convention Chair. Walter H, Monday Night 6:30 B/B Study GSR Carol W, Sat. Morning Acceptance GSR & Alt. Dist. Secretary Jaque B, Literature Chair, Tues./Thurs. Harbor Springs Women's GSR & Dist. ALT. DCM Sarah G, Simon S, Dist. Treasurer Scott M, and DCM Laura L.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Scott M. gave the Treasurer's report. (A formal copy is available upon request. Please see our Treasurer, Scott M, or Holly W, Secretary.) We'd like to thank Boyne Valley AA and the Noon Harbor Hall groups for their donations! Other noteworthy deposits include \$521 plus seed money from the November Gratitude Dinner and \$345 from the group attending MYCYPAA. Discussion was had about the large sum brought in by the Gratitude Dinner. Sarah G. asked if it was right that we make money from the dinner. It was pointed out that well over \$100 is yet to be paid out for supplies and that roughly \$250 was left over from our first dinner in 2007. Thus between \$150 & \$200 will be the actual final amount for 2008. Carol W. will prepare a formal report for presentation next month.

Walter H. pointed out that in A.A. service work is always on a rotational basis usually not exceeding 2 consecutive years at any given position and suggested we consider electing a new chairperson for the Gratitude Dinner. It was decided that we ought to ask our groups for an individual wishing to be more involved next year so the baton can more easily be passed in 2010.

The Treasurer's report was accepted.

PHONE REPORT:

There was no phone report.

PI/CPC REPORT:

There was no PI/CPC report.

INSTITUTIONS REPORT:

There was no institutions report.

Please announce to your groups that we need a new chairperson for this standing committee.

Walter noted that the 40 Big Books we purchased had been delivered to the local jails.

LITERATURE REPORT:

Simon still intends to step down as chairperson of this committee so please be announcing the need for a new chairperson to your groups as well! He gave a brief description of duties and said he'd be more than happy to work with the new incumbent." It's really not that difficult", he says.

Most sales take place at the noon Harbor Hall meetings, basically because that's where our inventory is. If your group or individuals need books, pamphlets or anniversary tokens, you may pick them up there.

The Literature report was accepted.

In related matters:

- 1) A new central office at the Boyne City Unity Club is still being looked into. It was noted that a decision to do so may require we relocate our district headquarters to the Unity Club.
- 2) Dennis K. asked how big an area we need for our inventory and if we could rent, for a nominal fee, a place at the Methodist Church. Laura said she would check with the church about that.
- 3) Simon gave Lynne M. an inventory list and she will get in contact with Scott, our webmaster, so our inventory can be put on line.
- 4) Laura asked how many people actually know they can purchase literature right here instead of going elsewhere and paying shipping.
- 5) Laura moved that, " until we have a new seated chairperson we take no action on the location of the literature.

Motion passed.

WEBSITE REPORT:

Lynne M. said the link to the temporary site (<http://celeste52.webs.com/home.html>) set up to add pzazz to our page was available all last month. Most people had not checked it out. Laura tried to pull it up on her blackberry for us to view but it wouldn't come up. Sarah G. had seen it and reluctantly said she did not like it. Let's check it out and have some feed-back next month!

OLD BUSINESS

2010 State Convention:

Walter H. was elected the 2010 State Convention Chairperson and past Area Delegate, Chuck W, Alt. Chair. As such, he will be meeting and corresponding with folks from all over the state in an effort to put this together. He said he needs lots of people committed to service work and that there are many other areas we can get involved in other than greeting and helping with directions.

AREA ASSEMBLY:

The last Area Assembly was canceled due to bad weather. No report. The next assembly will be in Grand Rapids on the 18th of January.

EVENTS:

Laura observed that her idea of a safe New Years Eve did not include traveling very far on our highway and byways that night due to the many active drunks out there that night. She suggested we be thinking of a place we might host an alcathon close to the Harbor Springs/Petoskey area next year. Some of us went to the one Charlevoix had and said they had a great time. Thank you Charlevoix for your continued service!

Sarah G. suggested we start thinking about another Sponsorship Seminar. Considering the extra monies we have, these could be free events. "We should do more", she says.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35