

# ***West Michigan Alcoholics Anonymous District 13***

## ***Meeting Minutes***

November 7<sup>th</sup> 2009

### **I. Call to order**

**Sarah G.** called to order the regular meeting of District **13** on **November 7<sup>th</sup>** at the **Methodist Church, 1804 East Mitchell Rd, Petoskey, MI.**

Opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the **Serenity Prayer.**

### **II. Roll call**

The following persons were present: Sarah G. DCM; Scott M. Treasurer; Connie O. Boyne Valley; Rosie D.; Lorie S.; Patrick M.; Cindy S.; Debra B.; Larry R.; Dave G.; Ken A.; Carol G.; Kim B.; Phil J.; Tony W.

### **III. Approval of minutes from last meeting,**

Minutes from the last meeting provided for reading and review. The minutes were approved.

### **IV. Treasure's Report**

Copy of report provided to group for review. Carol G. motioned to accept report. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> and approved as presented.

There was open discussion to reimburse food expenses for the Area 34 Assembly. A motion was made and 2<sup>nd</sup>, voted, passed to pay for receipt expenses.

### **V. Open issues**

- a) Secretary Position. Sarah called for nominations. There were two nominations, Phil J. and Kim B., for the position. The point was opened for discussion including lengths of sobriety. Carol G. motioned to nominate Phil J. secretary as Kim B. as alternate, to hold the seat until March elections, 2<sup>nd</sup> and voted, passing.
- b) What qualifies a passing quorum? It was determined that a 3/3 group made up of officers and committee chairs/GSR's was needed to pass a motion.

### **VI. Phone Report**

Phone problem had been corrected by a upgrade and the phone is working. Lacy currently is carrying the phone. Discussion of preparing ride lists and contacts #'s for the phone person is needed. There was open discussions about how to handle 12<sup>th</sup> Step from the phone and what information is to be provided to the person handling the phone. Some of these concerns were to be postponed until the District Group Inventory in January. A motion was made to accept the phone report, 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed.

## **VII. Institution Report**

Carol reported that they would still need volunteers for the women's meetings in Emmet County. It was discussed and proposed to split the responsibilities for Emmet and Charlevoix counties and give the position for Charlevoix to Debra B. A motion was made and 2<sup>nd</sup>, passed.

## **VIII. PI/CPC Report**

Becky had resigned the position feeling she could not fulfill the commitment. It was accepted in her absence. It was noted that Eon would be interested in the position but could not make the District Meetings. It was proposed to consider him as an alternate and to find a member to fill the position and represent it at the meeting. It was also mentioned to try to contact the Probation Offices and Institutions of our web site to be able to print current schedules and contact information for peoples benefit. Cindy S. volunteered to make copies of schedules and to make the web site information available.

## **IX. New Bussiness**

- a) P.O. Box for the District. Topic was opened for discussion. Debated. Discussion for the time was tabled.
- b) It was proposed to consider a proposal suggested to change the meeting date to allow representatives of our District to attend another meeting on January 2, 2010 in Grayling. Sarah G. made a motion to move the District 13 meeting from January 2 to January 9 to allow people interested to attend the meeting and not conflict with the interest of District 13. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed.
- c) Sarah G., District 13's DCM, wants to urge the areas GSR's to make a list of their groups expectation from the district so that the board and their representatives can better serve the Groups and Members. It was asked that the groups have a group conscious and inventory to ask how we can serve them.
- d) A New Years function was proposed. Charlie R. had put a deposit on the Emmet County Pavilion for a Open Holiday Function for AA and all other guests. It was discussed that this was indeed an AA function but was open to everyone. There was a motion to pay \$300.00 for the rental of the hall. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup>, and passed. It was also asked that the GSR's propose directs gifts or help to make further promote the activity.
- e) Sarah G. DCM is traveling to the regional forum. Groups had donated to help with traveling expenses. Discussion that by going it represented our District and was beneficial to the area we should help with the expenses. It was motioned by Tony W. to give \$100.00 to offset expenses. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup>, and passed.

- f) Scott M. reported that since the District Account has stabilized that District 13 should start donating to GSO. The topic was discussed. Scott M. proposed that the District send \$25.00/Month to the GSO as funds allow. Dave G. 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed.

**X. Adjournment**

**Sarah G.** accepted a motion to adjourn. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup>, passed. Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

**Faithfully Submitted by Phil J.**