

**DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES**  
**March 4, 2008**

Meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Laura, DCM.

Motion was made and carried to accept the February minutes.

Chairperson of the Literature Committee, Simon, corrected the misconception that he is stepping down from the position. He was absent for some weeks due to a class. Simon proposed that an alternate chair for the committee is needed. Tim was suggested. Discussion followed regarding how much sobriety time is needed for a committee position. Simon stated that the approximate value of the literature inventory is \$1200. Simon will continue in position until elections are held. Issue of selecting an alternate chair was tabled. Committee report to follow.

A motion was made to purchase a new tape recorder for the District. Motion carried; secretary or alternate secretary will purchase.

Report: Website Committee

Tabled; no members present.

Report: Treasurer

| TRANSACTION - LAST MONTH   |                             |                    |       |                 |                  |                    |                |                 |    |
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| 2/1/2008 through 2/29/2008 |                             |                    |       |                 |                  |                    |                |                 |    |
| 008                        | Date                        | Account            | Num   | Description     | Memo             | Category           | Clr            | Amount          | P. |
| <b>BALANCE 1/31/2008</b>   |                             |                    |       |                 |                  |                    |                | <b>1,015.23</b> |    |
|                            | 2/6/2008                    | District 13 of ... | 2085  | Carson Wright   | Back to Basics   |                    |                | -150.00         |    |
|                            | 2/7/2008                    | District 13 of ... | Print | Cellular One    | Phone            | Utilities:Telep... |                | -44.76          |    |
|                            | 2/7/2008                    | District 13 of ... | 2087  | Harbor Hall     | District 13 R... | Rent               |                | -60.00          |    |
|                            | 2/7/2008                    | District 13 of ... |       | Cash            | cash fm mtg.     |                    |                | 8.00            |    |
|                            | 2/7/2008                    | District 13 of ... |       | Joe             | Tue.- Thur. ...  |                    |                | 50.00           |    |
|                            | 2/13/2008                   | District 13 of ... | 2088  | Scott Martin    | STAMPS           |                    |                | -8.20           |    |
|                            | 2/28/2008                   | District 13 of ... | 2089  | G.S.O.          |                  |                    |                | -25.00          |    |
|                            | 2/28/2008                   | District 13 of ... | 2090  | Western Area... |                  | Charity            |                | -25.00          |    |
|                            | <b>2/1/2008 - 2/29/2008</b> |                    |       |                 |                  |                    |                | <b>-254.96</b>  |    |
| <b>BALANCE 2/29/2008</b>   |                             |                    |       |                 |                  |                    |                | <b>760.27</b>   |    |
| <b>TOTAL INFLOWS</b>       |                             |                    |       |                 |                  |                    | <b>58.00</b>   |                 |    |
| <b>TOTAL OUTFLOWS</b>      |                             |                    |       |                 |                  |                    | <b>-312.96</b> |                 |    |
| <b>NET TOTAL</b>           |                             |                    |       |                 |                  |                    | <b>-254.96</b> |                 |    |

Motion was made and carried to accept treasurer's report.

### Report: Phone Committee

Going well. The length of sobriety needed to take responsibility for the phone was discussed. DCM Laura noted that the Phone Committee's policies and procedures are separate from the District Policy and Procedures manual.

### Report: Literature Committee

Simon passed around an inventory of literature. Question: how much money is allotted for jail/institution support? Brad noted that he has taken Big Books to both jails. Simon noted that he needs a check from the District to replenish Literature Fund, which is kept separate from District funds. Jennifer will donate Big Books left over from Back to Basics: she estimates she has 16 or 18. It was noted that all donated literature will go to the Literature Committee as opposed to the District. Simon has a Big Book and the pamphlet "44 Questions" in Braille, and suggested GSRs check with their groups to see if anyone needs them.

### Report: PI/CPC Committee

There are brochures in Lockwood Hospital but not Big Books. The District needs someone from Charlevoix to stock the jail and hospital. DCM Laura checks Northern Michigan Regional Hospital. Suggestion: put brochure racks in attorneys' offices? Michael, current Chair, wants to step down. Simon volunteered to take on the position with Michael mentoring him for three months. Brad will check on supplies at the Charlevoix jail. The suggestion was made that maintaining literature racks is good service work. Sponsors were urged to delegate that to sponsees. The next PI/CPC meeting will be held at Harbor Hall, March 17 at 7:00 p.m. GSRs were urged to announce the need for committee members at their groups.

### Report: Institutions Committee

The Committee meets at the Petoskey Big Boy after the Saturday Night Live meeting, on the last Saturday of the month. There were 250 used Grapevines donated to jails. The Harbor Springs Tuesday night meeting has purchased Grapevine subscriptions and has authorized two more: one will go to the Charlevoix jail and two to the Emmet County Jail. The District also has Grapevines going to each jail. Sam will check on the issue of specially made Grapevines with no staples.

Motion was made and carried to accept all committee reports.

### Old Business:

Back to Basics Workshop: Estimated attendance was 60 to 70. 30 newcomers went through the 12 Steps. Suggestion: should it be broken into weekly sessions? Comment: the program helps people learn how to sponsor a newcomer. Simon suggested a beginners' meeting focused on Big Book readings from the Back to Basics program, and

repeating every four weeks. Those without sponsors would be matched with a sponsor right away. Reminder: the Back to Basics program is not AA conference approved and can't be sponsored by the District on the website if we want to be linked with the Area website.

August 2010 Area Assembly: A sponsorship workshop will be held. Jennifer accepted the nomination for Chairperson of the Assembly, which will be held at the Pleasantview Township Hall, near Petoskey.

Elections:

Treasurer: Scott M.

Alternate Treasurer: Sam

Secretary: Carson

Alternate Secretary: Jacque B.

DCM: Laura (although she may need to step down in August)

Alternate DCM: Brad

Second Alternate DCM: Jim (Pizza man!)

There are buttons available for the Spring Roundup, to be held at the Ramada Inn in Grayling. There will be panels, speakers, and a talk given by Warren J. Fliers were distributed. Scott M., Treasurer, will check on past donations from the District to the Roundup.

It was noted that the Sunday Night 12 & 12 meeting in Petoskey is in need of persons with some length of sobriety: good service work.

New Business:

Tabled due to the length of tonight's meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.