

The meeting was called to order at 9:15 am Saturday July 4th, 2009 with a moment of silence followed by the serenity prayer and a request that we be of maximum service to our fellow man.

Those in attendance are: Laura L.-DCM; Scott M.-Treasurer; Jennifer M.-Committee Chair for Sept. WAA mtg.; Sarah G.-Alternate DCM; Rose -GSR for Women's Serenity Group and representing Boyne Valley Group; Walter H.-State Chair; Simon-Literature Chair; Dave G.-GSR for Charlevoix ???; Larry-GSR for Living Sober; Cindy-Committee Chair for AA Hotline; Robin-GSR for the Promises Group; Lou-visitor; Terry-GSR for Men's Group in Charlevoix ???; Sam-Committee Chair for CPC; Chris-visitor from Alanson

We reviewed the June minutes. There were at least 5 corrections identified. It was approved to table "approving the minutes" until next month. It was noted by Walter H. that minutes should always include a note a gratitude for the Districts who make Donations.

Treasurers Report by Scott M.: motion by Rose to accept. Seconded by Larry. The report was approved.

Cindy Phone Report: The phone rings about once a day. We've had calls from Massachusetts, Florida and Ohio. It was pointed out that there is a Cheboygan meeting no longer active and an Indian River contact that's no longer available. This reminds us to make sure our information is up to date. The "Suicide Guidelines" Scott M. brought from District 11 to the June meeting can not be found. Cindy offered to contact District 11 for another copy. We were reminded that our AA hotline number is found under "Alcoholism Information & Treatment Centers" in the Yellow pages, listed first as "AA Alcoholics Anonymous District 13". There was some discussion about whether or not we return "Miss calls" and how that gets handled. We want to be sure to remain anonymous. There was a motion to approve the report by Scott and seconded by Walter. It was approved.

Sam's CPC Report: we had to reschedule the date of our last meeting. Sam received a call from a gentleman from CA who has hospital and institutions experience. The brochure racks are full. Dave made a motion to accept the report and Sarah seconded it. It was approved.

Simon's Literature Report: The money from Literature will be returned

to the District Treasurer. The inventory no longer has coins - will no longer be making orders - and will sell off all of its inventory. The money will be accounted for separately in the Treasury, noted like a donation from a Group. We are moving to the point where groups will be responsible for ordering literature from GSO themselves. Therefore Groups will want to get a list of literature and order forms from GSO (go to www.aa.org). Simon will bring a copy of what's still available locally to the August District meeting. Literature will be available at the old, lower prices. The value of the inventory is \$854. Larry made a motion to accept the Report. Scott seconded. It was approved.

Institutions Report: Carrie, representing the Emmet County Jail was not present. Dave G., representing the Charlevoix County Jail said they could use more women to volunteer. Any women interested can contact Dave G. through our hotline (348-5005) or contact the Charlevoix County Jail.

There was no **Website Report**.

Old Business:

1) **Central Office:** Rose mailed a District 13 meeting list to the Traverse City Central office. Laura sent 5 e-mails to different Central Offices throughout the country and got no response. Chris from Alanson had recently visited the Akron Central office saying it was the largest she had ever seen. It was not non-profit, it included a restaurant and game room. It also sold plenty of non conference approved literature. Part of our discussion for a District 13 Central office is to provide only conference approved literature.

2) **September Western Michigan Area Assembly meeting:** Jennifer M. reported we had our first committee meeting to set up the menu for the day as well as coordinate responsibilities. We'll meet two more times before Sept. 20th. Dave G. reported there is a large commercial coffee pot and no real cooking utensils or pots and pans. Alan S. had Gordon Foods create a menu of supplies for a Spagehtii lunch for 70 people for \$230. Jennifer thinks we now need to come up with something more simple like sloppy joes. WAA will bring the Archieve presentation materials. Changes to the flyer were suggested (add camping info., add "Potluck") and Jennifer will include them and bring copies for the August District Meeting.

Beaver Island Inventory: There was an District 13 inventory meeting held on Beaver Island Sunday June 28th. These are the kinds of questions that were asked.

What is the purpose of District 13?

What more can we do to carry the message.

Suggestion: include a greeter at each meeting to create a more welcoming atmosphere for the new person.

Are we attracting AA's from different backgrounds?

Do groups know where to find literature?

Speaker Dave from Ohio was great. He also appears to be a great resource person and works with the Cleveland Central Office. Cindy has his contact information.

31 people attended. There was plenty of food to share. Everyone had a great time camping. Some sailed. Some fished. Since not many of the questions were fully answered it was moved and approved to make the January District meeting the "District Inventory" meeting.

Western Michigan Area Assembly: Walter H. did not have a copy of the minutes but he did present a copy of his receipts for attending, asking for reimbursement. Therefore, as of the meeting time, we don't know what was discussed at the June WMAA meeting. This created discussion about requirements for reimbursement and questions about what had been previously decided. A copy of the minutes are available at: www.wmaa34.com Scott M. will investigate what was previously decided by reviewing minutes from past meetings which will help determine reimbursement. Scott M. reminded us we only have one group that regularly donates \$50 per month and that money goes out each month to WMAA (\$25) and GSO (\$25).

Laura L. asked about the missing tape recorders for taping minutes to assist our Secretary. It remains a mystery. Chris from Alanson offered to donate one of hers and will bring one to the August meeting.

Gratitude Dinner: Sarah G. asked if she could receive the money given to the District (net \$335) after last November's Gratitude Dinner to assist with paying rent for this year's Dinner to be held Sat. Nov. 7th at North Central Michigan College. After some discussion Terry made a motion and Sam seconded it and it was approved.

Laura L. announced at the August that would be her last District meeting as our DCM. Sarah G. will take over until we have our elections in March.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45am.

Minutes submitted by Jennifer M. in Holly's absents (District Secretary).