

West Michigan Alcoholics Anonymous District 13

Meeting Minutes

Saturday, January 8th, 2011

I. Call to order

Sarah G. called to order the regular meeting of the District 13 AA at the Methodist Church, 1804 East Mitchell Rd, Petoskey, MI. The meeting was opened with a moment of silence followed by the "Serenity Prayer".

II. Reading of the 1st Tradition

"Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity."

III. Roll call

Sarah G. conducted a roll call. The following humble servants were present: Sara G. DCM District 13; Simon C. GSR, Greg K. Web Chair; David GSR Acceptance Group;; Cindy S. Literature Chair; Bill S. BVAA Alt GSR; Walter H.; Dana S GSR Pellston Friday Group; Larry R. GSR Living Sober Group; Tony W. GSR Harbor Tues/Thurs.; Margie K Treasurer D13; Bill S. Alt GSR Boyne Valley; Bruce E. GSR Pellston Big Book Study Group; Jim; Carol G. Institutions Chair; Phil J. Secretary

IV. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Phil J. read the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were approved as read. Motion was made to accept the minutes as read, 2nd, and passed.

V. Officer/Committee Reports

➤ **Treasurer's Report** Margie K. Treasurer

The beginning balance for the district was \$553.09. Donations and expenditures left the district with a balance of \$572.71. A breakdown of entries is available for members on request. A motion was made to accept the report, 2nd, and accepted.

➤ **DCM Report** Sarah G.

Sarah had not attended the last Area Assembly. Sarah is looking for contact persons for D-15. State convention committee is being organized. We are slotted for hosting Area 34 Assembly in May. Last months minutes are not yet available for the area. Next assembly is in Wyoming if people are interested in attending with Sarah. It was noted that at the area assemblies, workshops are being presented at these meeting. Attendance at assemblies is for all A.A. members.

➤ **Phone Report** Bruce E.

Phone was busy as expected for December. Bruce has sign up sheets for 12 step contact persons and people available for giving rides to meetings. This is to update the current list. Please bring the list back to the next meeting. Questions were brought up about beginner's packets available for the phone person as a first contact. Discussion was brought up on making materials available for the phone person. Costs of the packets are \$1. Simon had reminded that it is the GSR's responsibility to get the materials that the Literature Committee has available. General concerns about the districts available funds for helping were brought up. It was noted that by the district asking for earmarked donations it is making it hard to support the needs of the district that are presented. It was reminded that it is up to the groups to be responsible for having information available for people new or wanting to know about the program of A.A. and for the district to help with making the tools of the program available for groups and individuals that need it.

Motion: Motion to transfer \$50.00 to literature fund to help with the availability of beginner's packets and literature to be distributed by the Literature Committee. Motion 2nd. Voted passed.

Motion was made to accept the phone report. 2nd and accepted.

➤ **Literature Report** Cindy S. Chair.

Cindy thanked Larry R. for his help and support. All inventories are now at Harbor Hall for distribution. Literature is available by calling. Cindy had placed an order for more literature and was short \$87.22 for the order. A question was brought up about what had been given to the Literature fund.

Motion: Motion to reimburse \$87.22 for the Literature order. Motion 2nd, and accepted.

Motion to accept Literature report, 2nd and accepted.

➤ **Institutions Report Charlevoix Co.** Dave G.

No report.

➤ **Institutions Report Emmet Co.** Carol G.

A donation was made to help the district to support the literature needs for the jail.

Motion was made to accept the Institutions Reports for Charlevoix and Emmet Counties 2nd and accepted.

➤ **PI/CPC Report Charlevoix** Terry L.

No Report.

➤ **PI/CPC Report Emmet Co.** Lacy M.

Lacy resigned the position of PI/CPC chair.

➤ **Web Report** Greg K.

Greg had paid a fee for the ISP host. Greg encourages people to e-mail their events to be posted on the districts website. Bruce reminded about calling the information line and he can forward the meeting changes to the web site.

Motion made to accept the Web report. 2nd and accepted.

➤ **New Years**

Lacy M. gave a report. \$350.00 is left to the district to hold for a New Years event for next year. About 100 plus people attended the New Years Event. It was asked about returning \$100 to district that was donated and holding the remaining \$250.00 as “seed” money for an event next year.

Motion: Return \$100.00 donation back to the district and hold the balance as start up money for next years New Years event. 2nd

VI. Open issues

➤ **Area Assembly in May**

It was asked to find a group or persons to host the assembly. It was discussed on how many attend and what location. People were going back to their groups to check on hosting. Discussion was made on possible and past locations.

VII. New business

➤ **Election of MCYPAA Representative**

Position was discussed. Lacy M. was nominated for position and voted in as representative.

VIII. Announcements

- a) Larry announced the upcoming potluck and meeting on Monday.
- b) MCYPAA representative will be doing a presentation next month at the district meeting.
- c) Bridge Street open speaker will no longer be a “Pot Luck”.

IX. Adjournment

A motion was made to close the meeting, 2nd and accepted. The meeting was adjourned the meeting with the “Lord’s Prayer”.