

District 11 minutes from January 12, 2023 6:00 PM

Julie V. our past DCM opened the meeting and thanked everyone for the privilege of jumping in from Alt. DCM to DCM with Deb L. had to step down from DCM due to health reasons.

She introduced our new DCM Bob D.

Bob D. opened the meeting with the serenity prayer.

Secretaries report:

Some GSR's may not have got the minutes from the Dec. 2022 meeting, writing and sent out by our past secretary Olivia, because of the transfer of GSR's.

Dana K. motioned to accept the minutes as written, Linda W. seconded, all in favor. Minutes as written were approved.

Dana K., incoming secretary reminded everyone that she will email a copy of the minutes to all the GSR's and District committee members. She will not be bringing copies to the District monthly meetings. So it will be the GSR's responsibility to print out a copy if they want one.

Treasurers report:

Ed V. was the out-going treasurer, he introduced the new incoming treasurer, Shannon Lloyd. The end of year treasurers report was sent separately to GSR's.

Julie V. made a motion to accept the treasurer's report; Debbie L seconded the motion. All in favor the treasurers report was approved.

Committee reports:

A & T = Accessibilities and treatment

Carrie S. reported everything is going good taking meetings into MRC. The month of January is set up. She is reaching out to different groups to get people to speak at MRC. Berkeley Springs group will do first Thursday of every month. Thursdays from 7-8. She sends a list to MRC about who will be speaking throughout the month. Bob D. our past A & T reported Berkeley medical center has not been having us come in. They did virtual for a while but the technology of virtual meetings became a problem. Possibly not working for the patients. But perhaps

some of those restrictions may be lifted and they will begin to want to have live meetings in the future. He also reported the VA is not having us bring meetings in. Carrie has some contacts at the VA she can reach out to.

Budget Committee:

No report. This is an appointed committee, the DCM will appoint 3 people to be on the budget committee. We do have a budget from last year that can be duplicated to this year. Anyone who is a member of AA in good standing can be on the budget committee.

CPC – Cooperation with the professional community

No report, Linda W. is the new CPS for the district

Corrections:

No Report, Doug A. is the new Correction person for the district.

Grapevine:

Joi T. Grapevine is good. Joi suggested that if groups get the grapevine or have old grapevines it would be nice to pass them out to newcomers. Getting order forms for groups to have handy. Pat M. suggested bringing old Grapevines to the Berkeley County Recovery Resource Center. Joi stated a mixed pack of 30 back issues of the grapevines is \$56.00 as per the AAGrapevine.org website. Joi said a bundle of 12 cost \$54.00. She is also working on getting a display to take to meetings. Dana stated her home group reads an article from the grapevine and that is the topic for the meeting. Keep in mind you can also get the grapevine podcast and Linda W. says there is an app for free.

Literature:

Stew is still the literature but couldn't attend. No report.

Newsletter:

Pat M. is the new newsletter guy and will get together with Fred. She has some ideas about doing some new things. Fred did a great job for many years.

The newsletter will be posted on our website www.aaw11.org. when Pat updates it every month. Pat says you can also send her your email address and it can be emailed to you directly. She discussed getting a new email address for herself.

PI – Public Information

Vance was unable to attend but emailed in his report to be read. He needs to get with the old PI and do the transition. Vance will coordinate with the web-chair Rusty C. about any changes in meetings or district events.

Workshop:

Dana K. suggested we can do workshops as a district. A team would need to be put together to coordinate this. A workshop for new GSR's was brought up to have in March or April.

GSR reports:

H.O.W. Group: everything is good. They need to order books but want to wait until the district to make a big order.

Berkeley Springs group: New GSR Frank G. was present. He likes text messages. The meeting is going well. They just changed positions. Wed is a BB study meeting. TH and Sat are open and sometimes they have a speaker on Saturday. They invited Bob D to attend their meetings.

Good Orderly Direction: Deb L. well attended, and MRC drives the men in to attend.

Eye Opener Group: Marlene Alt GSR possibly incoming GSR. The group is doing well with attendance. The meeting went well and the alchathons were very well run and very well attended. They are in need of chairpeople.

Early after work Friends of Bill W. : Attendance is good, average attendance is about 30 to 45 people. Chairs are usually filled up. Getting new people from MRC and Oxford houses.

Old Business:

Update about Holiday Alcathons Bob D. There was a total of 163 that attended the Thanksgiving Alcathon. 182 at Christmas and 189 at New Years. The total basket \$595.56 for all 3 Alcathons. After the numbers are done, they are looking

at sending \$127.31 back to the district. Thanksgiving was particularly successful. This was the first Thanksgiving Alcathon.

New Business:

Budget committee: District never used to have a budget committee until a few years ago. The purpose of the budget committee is. We do have an old budget that we could look at. There was a lot of discussion about having a written budget or not having a written budget. Shannon L., the new treasurer, would like to look at the budget more in depth. Linda W. motioned to table this until discussed with groups. Julie V. second all in favor yes.

It was brought up that district is sitting on a lot of money, and we need to carry the message with this money. No committee can spend money without the district voting on it.

Pat M is still doing grapevine corner in the newsletter and will work with Joi.

Combined book order was brought up, Stew was not in attendance. Bob D. will check with Stew about a combined group order. Stew did mention to Bob D. about giving books away as opposed to selling them. Please take this thought back to your groups for discussion.

Shannon L would like to have a back up on the district bank account. Linda W. has agreed to be the Alt. Treasurer. Lind W. was nominated to be alt. Treasurer she accepted and was voted in by all as the new Alt Treasurer.

Mailbox for District 11 P.O. Box is in Martinsburg. Bob D. received the key as well as Shannon L. Going in once or twice a month and maybe just before the district meeting. Shannon will take the primary responsibility for checking the P.O. box. Bob D. will be her back-up.

List of GSR's. This is Bob D. responsibility. Collecting each group new GSR's. and alt. GSR's will get them to Dana K.. The sooner Bob D. gets the information the sooner Dana can get the new packets emailed to the new GSR's and alt. GSR's.

Workshop: Linda W. said she would chair a workshop on GSR training. She does need help. Dana K. and Marliene M. volunteered to be on the committee with Linda W. We will get together before our next meeting in February and give the district our thoughts. Dana was voted in a workshop chair for District 11.

In person VS virtual District 11 meetings. Possibly every other month. Julie V. past DCM who ran the district meetings virtually through covid reported, The attendance was extremely low when we had our meetings virtual. We seemed to have more attendance when we were live. There was a lot of discussion. We decided to continue to have our monthly District meeting at the same location, same time, and same day. Julie V. made a motion that we keep the meeting at Snyder's Bible Chapel, the 2nd Thursday of every month at 6 pm. Pat 2nd the motion. All in favor motion passed.

The new Detox WVU on Wilson Street in Martinsburg contacted Dana K. about bringing an AA meeting into the detox once a week. Dana will connect Carrie with the contact at WVU Detox.

Stephanie S. expressed interest in being alt. Corrections. Dana will talk to Stephanie about this. Stephanie has declined this position.

We need to discuss with our groups how to distribute the money the district has and what we can do with it. Possibly to give to area and GSO.

Bob D. was reminded to put our district meeting on the church calendar for the year so we can save the space.

Deb L. asked a question about what the district \$800.00 was for? What exactly is our prudent reserve for and the time it's for.

Updating the 800 number. If any groups have group members that would like to be on the 800 number list get their names and numbers. This is for the area 800 number in West Virginia only. Bring any names and numbers to the next district meeting.

Dana will make a current roster of all district positions, GSR's

Julie V made a motion to adjourn, Dana K. 2nd all in favor. Meeting ended at 7:03

Next meeting February 9th, 2023

www.aawv11.org

If you have a new GSR please send your new GSR's information to Bob D. So he we can get everything updated in the General service office and you can get your new packets emailed to you.

Contributions information:

District contributions should be made out to

District 11, mail to P.O. Box 1831 Martinsburg WV 25402,

Area 73, mail to 1052 Fields Creek Rd. , Independence WV 26374

General Service Office, (make check payable to GSO), P.O. Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163

Full roster with emails and phone numbers to be sent out at a later date:

District Positions:

District Committee Member (DCM) - Bob Derby 508-254-9668

Alt. District Committee Member - Doug Alger??

Treasurer - Shannon Lloyd

Alt. Treasurer - Linda Wilkes

Secretary - Dana Knowles

Alt Secretary - Laura Gress

Committees:

Accessibility & Treatment (A&T) - Carrie Holbrook.

Alt A&T - Pam Wagoner.

Cooperation w/ Professional Community (CPC) - Linda Wilk

Alt. CPC - Carrie Holbrook

Corrections - Doug Alger

Alt. Corrections

Grapevine - Joi Trotter

Alt Grapevine - Pat McElroy

Literature - Stew Borger

Newsletter - Pat McElroy

Alt. Newsletter - Fred Herrmann

Public Information (PI) Website - Vance Holmes

Alt. PI - Dana Knowles 304-676-2052

Workshops - Dana Knowles

Website Chair – Rusty Cadwell

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Dana Knowles

District 11 secretary.