District 11 meeting Aug 10,2023

Attendance: Bob D., Dana, Joi, Marliene, Amanda, Frank, Toni, Jeff

Open up the meeting at 6:02 with the Serenity Prayer,

Secretaries report:

Frank motioned, Marliene 2nd all in favor.

Treasurers Report: was emailed to all GSR’s. Shannon wrote: I saw that there was a question about the check number repayment that appeared on last month's Financials. The check numbers are just the check numbers associated with the monies received. The book order repayments are just foot order we placed in March. I move those out of income because technically it would not count as income, rather count against the budget allowance for book orders. Hope that makes sense. Dana made a motion to accept the treasurer's report and Amanda second, all in favor.

DCM Report: Area convention I this weekend. A few people from the district will be attending. GSR's we're going to go back to their groups and talk to their groups about the fall assembly. What was the thoughts of your group about the District funding GSR's to go to the assembly from groups that couldn't afford to send their GSRS. Groups that can afford to send their GSR would not need the financial support of the district. The H.O.W. group voted yes. No other groups reported what their groups wanted. Date for the Assembly is October 13, 14 and 15 in Huntington WV. More information can be found on [www.AAWV11.org](http://www.AAWV11.org) when available.

He did get something from 1-800 area level and needs to get more information on that. There is a little confusion on who is doing the 1-800 # for our district.

Committee reports:

A & T Accessibilities and Treatment: Carrie emailed report

The speakers for MRC are going well and at times the speakers will bring a newcomer with them. As for the detox there is no set format. We just go in and share our experience strength and hope. We talk about the program and how it works, give words of encouragement. When I go into the detox. I will open it up with the serenity prayer, speak a little bit, then encourage the others to talk about where they're at and the plans they have after leaving detox. Most times usually only two to five people sometimes less. At times the patients are just settling in and not always there for addiction, sometimes it's mental health related. But it's the speakers choice if they prefer to do a regular meeting in the detox.

CPC – Cooperation with the Professional Community: not present

Corrections not present

Grapevine: Joi made a order for back issues of the grapevine. She ordered to GV gift certificates but that didn’t give you’re the discount. Her order ended up being $644.00 possibly less after discount. She will come back to next months meeting with a better, hopefully lesser total for us to reimburse her for this order. She ordered 9 -30 packs of grapevines. We are giving a box to the detox. Frank will give a box to Thomas for the VA. The rest will be left at Snyders Bible Church. Gsrs are free to take some copies to their groups. Possibly drop off some at MRC and any other places that serve recovery needs.

Newsletter: no report

Literature: no report. Bob gave 4 Living Sober Books to Frank. Bob asked should we buy more literature.

PI: Public Information: website is updated.

Workshop: No report

Activities: Marliene reported game day was success. They had 20 people attend. People came, they ate, they played games. It was great fellowship. They are looking now for the next activity for the next quarter and are open to any suggestions. Dana suggested movie night possibly at the Apollo or in Berkeley Springs showing My name is Bill W. We talked about having a movie night in Berkeley Springs Big Star theatre. Marliene will reach out to Pam about something up in Berkeley Springs. As well as Jeopardy night. Possibly the end of Oct. or beginning of fall. They do have some receipts to hand in. Linda bought $32 worth of games.

Paul Hotter our Area 73 Delegate gave a presentation.

Group Reports:

Batt Group: Jeff reported Batt group is trying to get attendance. Dana contacted and emailed the Area to get it on the App. It is still not on there. We will get on that again.

Early After Work friends of Bill W.: Amanda reported that the group is struggling. They only have $400.00 in their bank account. Donations are down. The rent is going up from $350.00 to $850.00. They have 7 meetings a week. Elwood will be the speaker at their picnic.

Berkeley Springs Group: Frank reports the meeting is going very good attendance is up they have a lot of newcomers attendee.

H.O.W. group: Joi reported, meeting was going great.

Marlowe: Toni reported they will be sending Toni to the Fall Assembly.

Women on a Journey: Sue emailed report: The Woman on a Journey group faithfully meets every Sunday at 2:00 PM via zoom. The months of June and July, have averaged 11 in attendance, however one week there was 18. We had celebrations in June, but July did not have any celebrations to share. We have had several new faces including some newcomers. During this time we reach out and encourage a strong, consistent network of women in recovery and share phone numbers.

Eye Opener Group: Marliene reported, John will be chairing the eye opener picnic on Oct 21. Have a chair for Monday still need chair for Tuesday and Wednesday. Attendance is good.

Old Business: Where and When were brought to the meeting. Dana will make more schedules printed. Do hold onto one copy so you have them if you do run out you can make a few copies before our next district meeting. Big books where dropped off at the detox. Dana brought a bunch of literature to be taken by the groups. Thomas from the VA has not been in contact. Frank spoke at the VA a few weeks ago.

New Business:

Bob brought up purchasing new literature for the district to distribute. We need to know how much money is remaining in the budget for literature. Need clarification on that amount we have left from Shannon. We can’t make a decision until we have that amount.

Frank is looking for speakers to share their experience, strength and hope on a Saturday night in September, Oct, Nov, Dec. Could be an hour speaker meetings. Frank would like it to be a speaker meeting.

Toni shared a new Big Book meeting starting on Sept 15th, 2023, Called The Fireline, Friday night, 6:30 Hedgesville United Methodist Church. This is where the H.O.W. Group meets. She asked about this meeting being put in the Where and When meeting schedule.

We will put that on the district website and meeting schedule.

Meeting closed at 7:30 with the responsibility statement.

Next meeting will be held at Snyders Bible Church, 6:00 pm, Sept 14th 2023

Respectfully submitted,

Dana Knowles

District 11 Secretary

On a side note, Paul Hotter announced some events going on outside our district.

wwwaa.wv15.org

District 15 two days a week a morning meeting Monday and Friday at 7:30 AM Charlestown Presbyterian Church spiritual vitamins.

On September 30th there is a workshop called, Is my group connected to a as a whole, a case study in the plain language big book. Mountain Community Center on Mission Rd. Right after the Saturday morning grapeseed group meeting. The grape seed group meeting is from 10am to 11am. Erica the area treasurer will be presenting, Brian Tucker a past delegate will be presenting.

On August 20th, Area 29 in Maryland, 3:00 PM Sunday a virtual, zoom, workshop on the plain language big book. John W from GSO will be presenting. Contact Bob D. for more information.

Group Contributions: make sure to put your group name on checks

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