District 11 Minutes May 11, 2023

Bob D. opened the meeting with the Serenity prayer.

Also in attendance: Linda W. CPC, Shannon L. Treasurer, Marliene M. Eye Opener, Ben R. Paw Paw, Toni L. Marlow, Amanda T. EAWF of Bill W., Frank G, Berkeley Springs, Jimmy D.

Marliene is filling in as Secretary. Marliene announced that the meeting is being recorded.

Bob welcomed the new GSR form the Marlow Group, Toni L.

Secretary’s Report: Marliene M.

Dana emailed the minutes from the April district meeting.

Bob also handed out hard copies.

Bob went over a few highlights of the April meeting.

Frank motioned to accept the minutes, Linda seconded, all were in favor.

Treasurer Report: Shannon L.

Shannon emailed the report, Bob handed out hard copies.

Shannon went over the Financial Statement and the Budget report.

A question as to where groups send their contributions.

Amanda reported the percentage and the places to send individual group contributions. This information can be found on the district 11 website.

Linda had a question concerning the pamphlets that she ordered. Stew has the receipt, and the cost will be reflected in the next budget report.

Amanda motioned to accept the treasurer report, Frank seconded, all were in favor.

DCM Report: Bob D

Passed around information on the “Save the Date” planning meeting for the Fall Assembly. The zoom meeting will take place on July 22, 2023, at 12:30pm. No date for the assembly has been set. By attending this zoom meeting, you can add your voice to what topics will be covered.

This information can be shared with our groups, everyone is invited to participate. The meeting typically lasts an hour plus.

Committee Reports:

Accessibility and Treatment {A&T}: Carrie provided an email report. We have newcomers with a year sobriety eager to speak at MRC. The WVU Detox Center was asking for disclaimers. Bob has been in contact with their legal team. The Detox center will get back with us concerning the disclaimers.

Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC): Linda W. reported, Pamphlets have been received. As soon as Linda can access the pamphlets, she will take them around the community. If you know of any Dr. Offices or Legal offices that need or want the information, let Linda know, and she will make the visit.

Corrections: Doug A. not present. Doug did have a conversation with one facility but hit a few roadblocks that deny us access. Doug is working on the possibility of a pen pal program.

Grapevine Magazine: Joi T, not Present but sent the following email. I have yet to meet someone who does not like Grapevine Magazine. Aa.grapevine.org is full of recovery information & options! Something new is always popping up.

Literature: Stew B. No report

Newsletter: Pam W. Not present but sent this email, The monthly newsletter continues going out at the beginning of the month. If no one objects, I will add emails from district service roster to those I already have, so everyone gets a copy. I communicated with Vance (PI) in the first week of Ma y and he will get May and future newsletters added to the district website. I am also adding a “bulletin board” section where people can post announcements. All GSRs, please encourage meeting attendees to submit their email to receive the newsletter, their sobriety dates to be celebrated, and their contributions (poems, jokes, articles, etc.) to be included.

Public Information (PI): Vance No report

Workshops: committee: Linda, Dana, Marliene, and Cheryl, no workshops are currently being planned.

Group Repots:

Batt Group: Thor, No report

Behind the Star: Pam W. sent an email report. Meeting attendance (MWF) at noon is steady, we are meeting monthly for group conscience. June is the month we swap out meeting host.

EAW Friends of Bill: Amanda reported: Great attendance. They will be hosting a picnic on August 26, War Memorial Park, Creak Pavilion. They are discussing the edited Preamble. Amanda was approached by a member asking to provide literature to the WVU Detox center. Since the center is for profit, this is not advised. They can donate a book or two, if this is decided by their group.

Berkeley Springs: Frank: The group is going strong. Participation is up. They are practicing the spirit of rotation.

Campfire: Bob received a report from Michell. They are meeting outside on Friday’s, 8:00pm.

11 Step: Vance, no report.

Good Orderly Direction: No report.

HOW: Joi sent an email. Wednesday 7:30pm. Going strong. Home group members have increased. We are now meeting in the basement of the church.

Marlow: Toni, the new GSR. They will be planning a picnic this summer. The group is growing.

Paw Paw: Ben, attendance is small, sometime 2 people, sometimes 10 people. They are there and available every week.

Scrabble: No report

Inwood: No GSR

Women on a Journey: Olivia no report

Eye opener Group: Marliene reported that attendance is steady, in the room and on zoom. A lot of chair changes. We have a lock box for the keys if a sub chair person is needed. Our picnic is scheduled for October 21st in the main pavilion in War Memorial Park. We are still looking for a committee to plan the picnic.

OMD: Outright Mental Defectors, Jimmy, Saturday, Snyder’s Church 9:30pm. Great attendance. They meet in the living room upstairs. The room has a good atmosphere for sharing. The meeting is open.

Old Business:

Founders’ day Picnic: The committee was not successful in planning the picnic. Bob requested that the Committee, Dana, Marliene, Amanda, and Sue get together and come back to the next district meeting with a suggestion for the Founders Day Picnic. Linda suggested that we table the picnic until next year. There are at least five meetings having picnics. The planning of the picnic could start now for next year. To reserve a Pavilion at War Memorial Park in Martinsburg, you must wait until January to make the reservation. Linda volunteered to chair this committee,

Quarterly Activity Committee: This committee was never officially formed. Linda said there was a great response from some of the women at the Eye opener Group in having an activity at the Martin St. Club house. We could start with a game night and potluck at the club house. Linda will lead the committee, Marliene, and Amanda will help. Linda will reach out to Robert and Stew to reserve the club house.

New Business: None

Amanda made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Frank 2nd the motion, all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Marliene M.