District 11, meeting minutes from Feb 8th, 2024

Snyders Bible Church 6:00 PM

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm

Opened with Serenity Prayer

DCM report:

 Got a friendly letter from GSO thanking District 11 for the contribution.

He read a little of the letter about the increase in contribution. The average in Dec was $6900.00; this year, they received more than $9000.00 from groups and members.

 Attended the Agenda Planning meeting that was virtual on Jan 20th, 2024.

 If anyone has a motion that they would like to present to Area 73, they will need to get the motion to Bob Derby by March 21st. The Spring Assembly will be held in Wheeling March 22,22 and 24. Flyer is on [www.aawv11.org](http://www.aawv11.org).

There will be a mini-conference at the Spring Assembly.

Bob always sends out emails that are passed to him. Please pay attention to those emails so you don’t miss anything.

 To see events that are happening in Area 73 go to [www.aawv.org](http://www.aawv.org)

Question to what region we are in.

Bob will share this information about other Region events with anyone who wants it.

If you want more information reach out to Bob.

Area 73 is holding its Convention August 9,10 and 11th in Morgantown.

On the aawv11.org website

Fall Assembly Sept 13,14 and 15th.

 Secretaries Report: The minutes are always on the website when final, [www.aawv11.org](http://www.aawv11.org).

Frank made a motion to approve, Amanda 2nd, all in favor.

Treasurer Report: Marleine new alternate treasurer did get a debit card from the bank. Contribution from Good Orderly Direction for $308.91, Behind the Star $100.00, Book sales from Inwood Group $83.00.

Purchased Grapevines $1007.30, Check to GSO $500.00, Check to DCM travel to Fall Assembly $249.74, Account Balance $8860.08, -Prudent Reserve $800.00, available funds $6794.95, Seed money $500.00.

Question about $1000.00 on Big books and $500.00 on literature. The order hasn’t been placed yet.

Motion to accept Amanda 2nd by Jimmy all in favor.

A&T:  Everything is going well we had the first meeting at WVU all went well we have the second Wednesday of the month covered thanks to Marlow group have not heard anything from HOW group if they are willing to cover the last Wednesday of the month? If not is there any other group willing to do that if so please let me know and give them my contact information Thank you for being in Service Carrie

Bob talked about Pyramid purchased MRC.

CPC: No CPC at this time. Cooporation with the Professional community.

Any AA member can be CPC chair.

Corrections: Doug connected with Dana and Dan from District 15. They are in the jail. There is a process to get approval to take meetings into the jail. There is a background check, and you must have 5 years of sobriety.

Newsletter: Pam reported she feels like the newsletter has changed and would like to do some outreach to see what the members think of it. Perhaps using the free Survey Monkey. Questions about how to get it to the members. Putting survey on website, email and minutes. Suggested getting the questions and putting a link on website to Survey Monkey.

Literature: Grapevines have been delivered. She delivered 12 boxes to the meeting. She would like to deliver some grapevines to groups that don’t come to the district meeting. Suggested to lay out a hand full at each meeting to be passed out to newcomers. Taking them to MRC, VA, detox on Wilson St. and BC Medical. They are back issues misc. issues.

Big Books and pamphlets order was made and needs to be sent to the Treasurer for purchasing. Behind the Star got some books previously and would like to put in an order when we put our order in. Pam needs to get order for us before we order.

PI: Public Information: Vance is going to reach out to all GSR’s. He is trying to create a PI committee. He needs to get with individual GSR’s. He is sending out emails to everyone. He is sending something to Pam as well. Getting information to libraries, schools, hospitals and to the public.

Website is updated regularly.

Send all anniversaries and flyers about district or group events to rusty.danastuxedo@hotmail.com

For anniversaries, name, date of celebrant, number of years and meeting they are celebrating at.

Workshop: No Report

Activity: Marliene has set up the bowling night. Rusty put a flyer together. It is on the website. We need people to RSVP. It is a free event.

Not quite sure about saying Free on the flyer. We discussed do they have to pay for their shoes. Shoes are only $1.50 a person. This will be included in the bowling.

We created an activities email for RSVPs to events.

Need to make sure we have enough lanes for everyone.

The district is paying for the game and shoes. We invited everyone to come even if they just want to watch. It will evolve over time and we shall see how it goes. The budget for activities is well under what this will cost.

Dana reported that she talked to the Apollo Theatre about getting My Name is Bill W. to show at the Apollo in the future.

Grapevine:  is still the best portable meeting in print. Great magazine. Not everyone can afford it but everyone does enjoy it. Aagrapevine.org has tons of information on line as well.

I am currently almost out of magazines for my display.

Group Reports: Group reports are from those in attendance and those who emailed reports.

Behind the Star Group: Pam reported nothing new. Need help with book purchase. Asked about if we could put on the website about closures to the

Eye Opener Group: They want to start planning the Alcathons for Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years. Asking groups to consider helping with these alcathons. Perhaps reaching out to other districts.

H.O.W. Group 7:30, Weds nights, is doing great. 30 people last night.

They loved the cards with QR code & website and they went fast, they will vote yes for more.

11th Step Group: Group is doing well. Getting MRC people coming. There is a meeting on Monday a step and traditions. 2:00 meeting is on Friday. 7:00 pm on Monday

Berkeley Springs Group: Meetings are going well he is still looking for speakers for Saturday night. 7:30 pm

EAWFOBW: Amanda reported, Kathy is here tonight. Amanda is having surgery and Kathy is helping out. Group is doing well. Not sure if she can go to the Assembly. They got rid of halftime at their meeting. Halftime is when they pass the basket and do announcements. All is going well. A lot of attendance and the same people chairing all the time, but encouraging new people to participate.

Marlowe: Toni, everything is good. A lot more people attending a good amount of people from Hagerstown attending. Doug and Ed will be celebrating at the end of the month. They committed to do the 2nd Wednesday of every month in WVU Behavorial Health. They are doing the next 6 months. Toni will take a box of grapevines to WVU BH.

Fireing Line: We're having a group brainstorm to find a GSR. Attendance is good but varies, do pass the word. Some old-timers attending.

We Agnostics: no longer active. Christy took the literature from we agnostics to the womans group on Wednesday

Campfire Circle group: Michelle reported 6 to 7 attending. Meeting at the lodge. The first Friday in April they will meet outside.

OMD: Jimmy reported the group is coming up on 8 years. Lots of newcomers coming. They are having pie on Saturday the 10th.

Paw Paw: Ben reported they have new people sometimes. Still going strong.

Woman on a Journey: Sue reported they are a zoom meeting 2:00 pm on Sunday. They have an average of about 14 to 15 people a week. Newcomers and oldtimers both attend. They read from each day a new beginning. It’s a great group with a lot of sobriety.

Old Business:

Talked about printing meeting schedules. Rusty will update meeting schedules and send out to the GSR’s for approval.

Sober Sister’s, open discussion meeting on Wed night at 118 East Martin Street Martinsburg, Linda W. is the contact. Need clarification on that meeting before we get it on the website and on the app.

The meeting app and our district website are 2 different things.

New Business:

Marliene reported Christy talked about a check from the district for the support of the 2023 Alcathons. Need to cut 2 checks, one for Thanksgiving and one for New Years to the Eastern Panhandle Recovery Foundation.

Dana mentioned getting a group together and to support some meetings that are not well attending.

There is a list of meetings that hang at the Foundation window and it is outdated. Is it a foundation thing or an AA thing? We don’t know.

Questions about updating the clubhouse. This is not a district issue.

Pam asked about if we could put on the website about closures to Berkeley County Schools closed. Some churches close when BC schools are closed. Put a link beside the meeting/churches that abide by this rule.

Toni reported Joi got a hold of 100 birthday envelopes and they are at the H.O.W Group. The birthday envelope is for AA members to contribute to GSO the number of years they have sober.

If we want more envelopes ask Joi. Toni or Joi will bring Birthday envelopes to the next District meeting. GSR’s can take them to their meetings and describe what they are all about.

Frank asked if Vance is doing any public fairs or events with an AA table to get the word out.

Groups that do not attend district meetings. Attending their groups business meeting to discuss what we do at the group level. To get more participation at the district level. Groups have to agree they want to hear from us. If groups want to hear from us we would gladly attend their business meetings to discuss this.

Frank made a motion to close, Amanda 2nd all in favor

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm

Next District meeting Snyders Bible Church, March 14th, 2024 6:00 PM

Contributions should be sent to

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PO Box 1831, Martinsburg West Virginia 25402

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