

July 11, 2021 – District 9 Monthly Meeting

Attendance:

Chairs: DCM; Alt. DCM; Treasure; Corrections; CPC; Grapevine; Intergroup Liaison; Secretary; Treatment

Groups: Bettendorf; Blandine; Central Discussion; Courage to Change; The Three Legacies

Chair Reports:

Treasurer: Beginning Balance: \$6782.63; Income: \$25.00; Expenses \$1540.52; Ending Balance: \$5267.11; Seed Money: \$300; Prudent Reserve \$300; Operating Balance: \$4,667.11 (Motion to accept treasurers report by Rachel / 2nd by Toni.)

DCM: Greetings district 9, I attended the spring conference 2021 in storm lake Iowa. It was an incredible learning experience filled with fellowship and service, it was nice to be back in person. I also served on a committee of three to get the hybrid connection up and running and look into zoom coordinator position. thank you Park and Kevin for your commitment to our district. Our delegate reported on her virtual 71st service conference. I will not be reporting on that. We have invited her to speak at our district meeting. It is under new business for today. Here are some highlights from the spring conference this past June. Alternate Delegate As of 6/1/21, Area 24 currently had 667 active groups registered. Many groups that were once online are now back in person or with a hybrid option. Area directory is the most accurate and p to date informational source. Please see DCM if access to drop box needed. Just as a quick point of clarity...if one completes the form for New Groups or Group changes via the National or aa.org website, we at the Area level unfortunately will not get looped in on that information, so the best way to assure that everyone (District, Area, and GSO) gets information on all additions or changes is to go through the Area Registrar (aka me) via email or the forms on the Area Website, which are then forwarded to my email. (I can help with this as well) At Julies (ALT delegate) last audit, everyone who has submitted information has been entered into the Fellowship Connection system. If you are a new GSR, or District Officer or Chair who has not received their service packet, please let Julie (or DCM Lee) know and we can dig into that. (Just a note, there are some positions, such as alternate DCM, Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter and Webmaster that do not have position packets). Conference reports Fall 2021- Beth C.- Signed contract and deposit of 2200\$ was paid. Details: -Minimum \$5600 needed -Registration is \$23 in advance and \$28 at the door -Lunch \$15 -Dinner is \$25 -Hotel room \$112. Coffee is not purchased by attendees this year and decision was made by area 24 finance committee. The money collected from coffee will go towards our minimum food and beverage. Can find the flyer on area 24 website soon (at last look it was not on there) I have copies for district attendees.) using Cheddar.com for online registration. You can access online registration by scanning the QR code on the flyer as well as a link will be on the Area 24 website under events. conference will be paid for by the meals. Please purchase the meals along with the registration so that we can meet our budget and have a successful conference. Area officers, GSR's and all attendee's present today, please help spread this message. In order for this conference to meet the minimum \$5600, people must register for meals. Reports from various districts are reporting meetings opening back up, hybrid meetings, potlucks and ice cream socials. Many facilities are opening up for corrections, treatment and so forth but I will let our district chairs speak on their respective committee. It was also discussed about encouraging hybrid meetings so that other groups can participate in ditricts of their choosing. Ex- if another group wants to be included in district 9 and they are virtual in Kentucky then we need to have the capability to accommodate them. **Alt. DCM:** There were 2,103 users total but 1,169 actual users that were on the site for more than 30 sec. We are still trending down, however, anything above 900 is great. The most visited pages were the Meeting Guide, the Virtual Meetings Page, and Events, in that order. We didn't have any noticeable spikes and the busiest time for usage is still 4pm. The Podcast Information Page had 43 visits but only 6 opened the Proposal Information. The poll had 9 votes; 8 interested, 1 not interested. There are hybrid meetings popping up and the Meeting Guide Authors are working on some changes to display that information as one meeting, currently it is 2 separate entries. There will be more information on this topic next month. Lee and I met with Julie B. from the Big Book Study group. Julie oversees their Zoom operations both now as a hybrid meeting and previously as virtual. We asked Julie if the group has a position for this duty? If so, what does that look like? Do you think the responsibilities warrant a position? Kevin K. was also in our meeting (Lee and I highjacked his mini-event meeting). Kevin feels it does need to be a separate position. Julie is giving it thought and will get back to us. I also spoke with Mary Ann to see if she knew of any other group that may have a Zoom Coordinator position. She did not. Lee and I will continue to research. Lee and I will be attending an upcoming business meeting of all groups in our District with the hope of encouraging District participation. We will be asking for 15 minutes giving a brief description of each open position and answering any questions that may arise. In love and service, Park **Archives:** No Report

Corrections: Greetings from Corrections! We have exciting news! Scott County Jail has given the ok to start in-person meetings back up in the jail! I have spoke to all past volunteers to see if they would continue bringing meetings into the jail, and at this point we are in need. The meeting times are women's Wednesday 7p-8p Men's Thursday 11am-12. We are able to bring up to 3 meetings a week into the jail if we have the volunteers to do it. Please let me know if you are interested. We do have the ability to add a women's am meeting. I am providing the GSR's with the volunteer application. Since there is sensitive information on this, you can mail it, fax it, or give it to me and I am bringing them down to the jail. The meetings will start back up when we have the volunteers to support the meetings. I have also been in contact with 605 Main- and they

are in hope of starting back in-person meetings soon as well- more to come! From my previous report, reaching out to probation officers has taken the back burner at this point due to the in-person jail needs. One this is stabilized I will circle back. In love and service, Vicki F. **CPC:** Good morning y'all! I am unable attend as this is my weekend to work. I sure hope one of these meetings lands on my weekend off soon :(Things are going good with CPC. There is really no new info at this time as I am waiting to reach out to the V.A until we have enough people able to be available to take information about AA to the professional staff so they can share with any vets that they come in contact with that may benefit from what AA has to offer. I will keep you updated as soon as I have more information. Have a great Sunday Loverfaces!!! Love and service, Shawna **Grapevine:** Good morning and happy summer! Not a whole lot going on in grapevine world right now, with the exception of one thing... our Instagram accounts are up and running!!! You can find them at the links below.

https://instagram.com/alcoholicsanonymous_gv?utm_medium=copy_link

https://instagram.com/alcoholicosanonimos_lv?utm_medium=copy_link

Get on and support grapevine and Lavina! In love and service. Ronna

Intergroup Liaison: Hello! Im so glad to have the option of in person or zoom! Meeting the needs of everyone! Heres my report: Intergroup is back open M/W/F: 9-530 T/Th: 1230-530 Intergroup is still looking for a telephone chair and an events chair. Lots of meetings are opening back up or doing hybrid. Please update any changes to Lisa, Randy and area website. Intergroups next business meeting is July 12th @ 6pm Love and service, Erica Baraks, Intergroup liaison **Treatment:** Hello all! I hope all is well! I have reached out to all of our treatment's centers in the last week to extend any help. Rosecrance meetings are going well. Looking for Friday am volunteer in person speakers. IF you are interested to be put on this list, please let Jaclyn M know. They are currently requesting meeting schedules. I will be delivering that this week. The abbey said the following: "We are still holding meetings here on-site with a small hand-full of folks coming in to lead the meetings. We are working on when we will be able to get out to outside meetings again, and when we can safely have others back in" as for Country Oaks, I have left a few messages and had no return phone call. If anyone has any connections to Country Oaks, please let me know. I did attend the mini event as well. I plan to attend the conference in October on Friday night only. I was going to hold a treatment workshop this year but with still few opportunities to go into the facilities, I will hold off until probably Spring of 2022. In love and services, Jaclyn Mayse

Group Reports:

Bettendorf Group: Bettendorf Group Business Meeting Report June 16, 2021 Corrections – we can go back to the jail in July. Need new volunteers. Picnic Chair – September 12, Sunday from 10 – 3 **Blandine:** Treasurer's Report not available; the next Blandine Business Meeting will be 7/25/21 at Noon. Blandine's 67 Anniversary Picnic will be September 12, 2021, at 10:30 at Garfield Park. District 9 Correction's and Grapevine Chair have been invited to introduce themselves to the Blandine Group and explain what committee member and volunteers are needed for and what they would do. Linda A. will also be the speaker. Blandine and approximately 1/3 of the tapes moved to online storage for group members to access and listen to whenever they want. The tapes were speakers, conference, workshop BB, 12x12 and Hazelden Educational materials. Discussion on the new modern language BB. Comment was made the illiteracy had been an issue for the group too. That was why they did the BB tapes. This brought up the question is modern language BB going to have audio version. In service, Christy **The Three Legacies:** Good Morning All, The Three Legacies next business meeting is scheduled for August 17th. Minutes for the meeting will be recorded & brought back to our next District meeting in September. Three Legacies meetings are being held twice a week via two different platforms: - Tuesday Evening @ 7:00 pm (Hybrid – Open Speaker) - Saturday Morning @ 9:00 am (Online – Closed Big Book Discussion) Current Vacant Positions: Alternate GSR & Literature Chair In Love & Service, Rachel B

Old Business:

- Business: Desiree K. attended our meeting as the new Alt DCM for the 8n8 Group.
- Randy C. is the DCM. Sheryl F. made a motion that District purchase a laptop with camera not to exceed \$1500. Vicki F. seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- Sheryl F. made a motion that our July meeting be hybrid. Ronna B. seconded. Motion passed with an 8/1 vote.
- Sherly F. made a motion that we pay for another year of Zoom @ \$149. Toni F. seconded. Motion passed.
- Sheryl F. made a motion that the DCM & Alt DCM look into creating a Zoom Coordinator position at the District level. Rachel B. seconded. Motion passed.

New Business:

- DCM & Alt DCM Position to review hybrid position
- Dates to Remember
 - Area 24 service weekend: Aug 15 9:00am – 5:00pm Marshalltown Regency Best Western, 3303 S Center St. Marshalltown, IA 50158
 - Area fall conference Oct 8-10th; Embassy Suites Downtown 101 East Locust Street Des Moines, IA 50309
- AI-anon ***GET REPORT FROM HER***
- Maryanne to speak – October 3rd; Jaclyn made a motion; 2nd by Kevin. Motion passes.
- Interim-zoom coordinator & develop the position (non-voting position)– motion made by Jaclyn & 2nd by Toni. Motion passes, no opposed.
- *District be able to rent out technology --- ?? make a motion be able to rent out announce that district 9 has technology (hotspot) that hotspot be accessible for groups*

Motion to Adjourn: Toni / 2nd by Kevin