

May 7, 2023 District 9 Minutes

Attendance:

Chairs: DCM, Treasurer, Corrections, CPC, Grapevine, Intergroup Liaison, Literature, PI, Secretary, Treatment

Groups: Bettendorf, Blandine, Central, Clinton, Courage to Change, Three Legacies, West End

Chair Reports:

Treasurer: Beginning balance: \$7,949.14; Income \$15; Expenses: \$983.60; Ending balance: \$6,980.54; Seed Money \$300; Prudent Reserve \$300.

Secretary: Read new and old business from April meeting.

Motions accepted to approve

DCM: I attended the Q&A session offered by our West Central Regional Trustee, Mike L. I found it to be informative. I also walked away from the session confident that Mike has our best interests at heart. I continue to receive information pertaining to the resignations in New York. I am forwarding on all information that I receive. I look forward to Julie's report at the Spring Conference in Grinnell. I received a nice thank you note from Julie for the \$100 gift card we sent her for her trip to New York. I will be passing it around during our meeting. I have gained access to the newly created District 9 Dropbox. I will be attending the Spring Conference in Grinnell June 9th through the 11th. I look forward to seeing you all there. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any question/concerns that you may have. In love and service, Park

Alt DCM Hello all! I am not with you again this month as I already had another previous commitment. Have no fear, I will be here next month! I did attend the zoom discussion with a delegate to hear Mike speak about the situation with Linda. It was very informative and I think that more will continue to be revealed. I am looking forward to the Spring Conference to hear more about this and the inner workings of GSO and the processes. I have obtained access to our D9 drobox. I also attended the intergroup event last month and it was so great to see so many people! I will be sending over the Webmaster's report when available. And as always, if there is anything that I can do for you or questions I can answer, please don't hesitate to reach out! In love and service Jaclyn M. Webmaster Report: We had 2,757 users total but 1,530 actual users that were on the site for more than 30 sec., which raised our average up to 1500, it was 1400. The Meeting Guide is still the most visited page, followed by the Events Page, and the Virtual Meetings Page is third. There was a noticeable spike on Sunday April 2nd. The spike had been gone for about 3 months but it seems to have returned. The Website was renewed for \$151.04, which will get split 3 ways between Intergroup, D9 & D90. The total price did go up by \$20. Keep checking the Events Page for any type of Group Announcements.

Archives: Good morning everyone, I have been working on the Dropbox setup for District 9 and look forward to being able to see in in full swing by next month. Archives Anecdote: 1954: In

the wake of Alcoholic Anonymous' success, several colleges and universities offer Bill W. honorary degrees. He declines, explaining why in this excerpt from a letter to Yale University, which had proposed an honorary Doctor of Laws degree: "The tradition of Alcoholics Anonymous . . . entreats each member to avoid all that particular kind of personal publicity or distinction which might link his name with our Society in the general public mind." He then quotes A.A.'s need for anonymity, as stated in Tradition Twelve. G.S.O. shares an online Archives Exhibit on the AA.org website from the "About A.A." dropdown located in the blue ribbon at the top of the page. www.aa.org/aa-archives-exhibits Reminder for GSRs: PLEASE share your Home Group's meeting minutes with me so that I may add them to your Home Group's history with our district. Yours in love and service, Rachel B

Corrections:

CPC: Good morning all, Update from CPC: I have reached out to St Ambrose nursing & Scott Community College nursing, unfortunately no response. I will be contacting the nursing department at Trinity (Unity Point) in Bettendorf. I will also be stopping by next week to the Chancery of the Diocese of Davenport. I was on an AA retreat over the weekend (Raising the Bar) in Monticello Iowa and had a nice chat with Bill (former Area CPC chair). Yours in service, Colin M.

Grapevine:

Intergroup Liaison:

Literature:

PI: Good Morning Everyone, we've been enjoying the warmer weather and are looking forward to events coming up this summer. Our committee has not met since our last meeting but we're still collecting info on what local libraries need Big Books, literature, and Meeting Schedules. I will be visiting the Intergroup office this week to get supplies (Big Books, pamphlets, schedules, etc.) to distribute to those locations who need them. I did attend the Intergroup Anniversary last month which was a really nice event. I received a text from Jody H., the Area 24 PI Chair, sharing his contact information and a link to the PI/CPC Working Group Zoom Meeting which is the second Saturday of every month. I am looking forward to attending the Area 24 Spring Conference. Thank you In Love and Service, Ayla B

Treatment: We continue to provide speakers for Country Oaks and Rosecrance. If you are interested in sharing the language of the heart, please let me know. Bridging the gap continues to connect individuals with AA members. Thank you to everyone who has been helping carry the message. If anyone is interested in contacting individuals coming out of treatment and getting connected with AA, please contact me. I continue to communicate with the Abbey. They have decided against taking clients to meetings in the community but have members of the community come in to chair meetings. If you are interested in doing so, I can pass your information to the person coordinating those meetings. I have discussed the accessibility inventory agenda item with my committee members and I am waiting to hear what was decided

at GSO for next steps. Stay Tuned!
Love and Service, MJ

Group Reports:

Bettendorf: Greetings from the Bettendorf Group! The Bettendorf Anniversary was a success. I will be attending the June 9-11 Spring conference. I attended the virtual meeting with our Area Delegate and Regional Trustee. I was able to ask questions. I have concerns regarding the recent resignations. There has been a breakdown of communication and I have concerns regarding the Traditions/Concepts/Bylaws not being adhered to. I will communicate this to the Bettendorf group. Next Business meeting is May 17th @640pm immediately following the 5:30pm meeting. Love and Service, Vicki F.

Big Book Study: Greetings from big book study group. Happy to report that attendance is up averaging about 45 to 50 people that includes online. Total checking is 1047.49, total savings is 1005.49. With a total balance of 2053.13. We did donate to the intergroup event with a basket and continue to put away \$\$ for new zoom equipment. We also welcomed 3 new members! I will be attending the spring conference and looking to gather more information about what's going on with Linda's resignation. In love and service, Ronna

Blandine: Blandine Anniversary — May 21, 2023. Roger A. from Bettendorf Group to share his experience, strength, and hope. Intergroup Office always looking for volunteers. GSR Report – Mia brought up that other groups are enforcing the rules of no children to be at closed meetings. Group discussion agreed however with the stipulation that a child/teenager that is claiming to be an Alcoholic can attend the meetings. Signs are to be posted outside the room, and only to read when the need arises if there are children brought to the meeting. New Business – Cindy brought a draft of a new sign to be posted downstairs to be given to Blandine Inc. to approve that will provide a list of all the meetings and that there would be postings on the doors upstairs, and a poster stating the meetings are in progress at this time. Group voted for a new layout for the sign-up board for people to chair and for the code holder who has agreed to open up the room. Code holders are approved by the board as there can only be so many that can have codes. Group voted and approved to have to have the Concepts posted on the wall after the Board approves it. Group also discussed while updating the room we still want to maintain the history of the room. In loving service, Mia V. GSR for Blandine Group

Three Legacies: Greetings District 9! All is well at Three Legacies. Attendance at our hybrid Thursday night open speaker meeting is steady. We have had an increase in daycare usage which is wonderful! Three Legacies continues a Saturday morning zoom big book study meeting at 9am. Our next business meeting will be held on June 15th . In Love & Service Christina G.

Old Business:

- Continue to announce new position for Technology Coordinator
- District 9 Dropbox – Park, Jaclyn and Rachael will continue to experiment with the process

- Motion was made in February for GSRs to take back to their Groups whether or not to send Chairs for two nights at the Spring and Fall Conference. Discussion. Motion by Vicki and seconded by Tyler to create a committee with ideas to spend down our funds. Discussion. Vicki withdrew her motion.

New Business

- Mini-Event date and theme tabled
- Dates to remember: Area 24 Spring Conference – June 9th – 11th @ Grinnell College. Workshops are late. District will pay for mileage, one day of meals and one overnight. Area 24 Fall Conference – October 13th-15th in Dubuque. Workshops are late. District will pay for mileage, one day of meals and one overnight.