

DISTRICT 11 MEETING MINUTES

July 11, 2023

Regular meeting of the District 11 Board held at Peace Lutheran Church in Finlayson.. We opened the meeting at 7PM with the Serenity Prayer. The following people were present:

Kathy M. District Chairperson
Kurt N. District Treasurer / GSR Monday 9AM Zoom / GSR Wed 7:30 PM Finlayson U M Church
Gary H. GSR/Dist Corrections Committee ABSENT
Lee Ellen O. District Secretary/Absent
Marvel R. GSR Pine City Monday Night ORLC
Sharla W. GSR/District PI/PCP Chair
Renell P. GSR Mora Saturday Speaker Meeting
Gene F. GSR Saturday Morning 10 AM Willow River meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS: - Announcement can be found on the District Web Site under the EVENTS tab, and in your Northern Light Area 35 Newsletter.

NEXT DISTRICT 11 COMMITTEE MEETING – August 1, 2023 at 7PM in Finlayson at Peace Lutheran Church

COMING SOON TO A DISTRICT NEAR YOU If you have activities, social or AA Meeting related, please contact your District Secretary to have them shared in our Meeting Minutes and on our website notes.

CONCEPT 7 WAS PRESENTED BY Sharla

OFFICERS REPORTS.

DCM – see attached report

Secretary – June 7th minutes were approved as presented. District meeting directories will be updated and reprinted. Please text or call **218 380-0110** to let me know of any changes to the present meetings as they are presently printed, so that new information will be included correctly. Upcoming events were noted and will be listed on our webpage.

Treasurer- The Treasurer report was reviewed and approved. A motion by Sharla, seconded by Renell and unanimously approved to pay expenses toward DCM Kathy M. to attend the Missoula MT West Central Regional Forum in August.

TOTAL BALANCE in checkbook as of 07/11/23 after expenses \$1,109.47

Contributions to District 11 should be made payable to “District 11” and mailed to:

KURT NYGREN

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PLEASE REMEMBER TO INCLUDE YOUR GROUP NAME AND NUMBER WHEN SENDING IN

ZOOM MEETINGS ARE ENCOURAGED TO REGISTER THEIR GROUP WITH THE GSO AND GET A BANK ACCOUNT SO THAT THEY CAN RECEIVE AND MAKE CONTRIBUTIONS TO AA AS THEY DID WITH FACE-TO-FACE MEETINGS.

Contact Vicki R. if you have any questions about registration with GSO.

Power of the Purse – Tradition 7

“Every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.”

UPCOMING EVENTS

All upcoming events can be found online on the district web page <https://district11online.org>. They are under the District tab in events and/or meetings.

GSR REPORTS

Marvel R. Pine City Monday Night Our Redeemer Lutheran Church Step, Big Book. Monday 7:30 PM Open meeting. Average attendance 15 to 20. Medallions given – 42 yrs, a 1yr. was given to a visitor from WA, and a 90 day in June. **We will be hosting a Round Robin on August 15th at Our Redeemer Lutheran.**

Kurt N. Finlayson Wednesday Night Meeting based on topics from conference approved literature. Attendance is low, but new people have shown up weekly. Things are looking up.

Monday Morning Sunrise Big Book Study 9AM Zoom. Regular attendance 4 to 6. We read one paragraph at a time and discuss as we find we need to.

Gene F. Saturday Morning Open Meeting at Willow River Presbyterian Church. Regular attendance of 15 is the average number of people in attendance. Topic based on As Bill Sees It. New members are showing up weekly. Great discussions and strong AA leadership. Medallions in June – 1 yr and 18 mo.

Renell P. Mora Library Open Speaker Meeting 1st Saturday of the Month at 6PM. We have AA and Alanon speakers preceded by delicious pot luck suppers.

Gary H. Quamba City Hall Monday 8PM Big Book Step and Tradition. Attendance holding at 5. One member going to Pine City Jail and Rush City Jail to volunteer.

Sharla W. Saturday Serenity 10:30 AM AA at Sandstone City Hall. Big Book, Step, Tradition, Grapevine No medallions this month. 6 to 8 people attending. Great readings and discussions. We go to local café for more fellowship following the meeting.

Sunday Night Amethyst Group 7PM Sandstone City Hall Big Book, Step, Tradition, Living Sober No medallions this month. We have had great discussions on the literature. 2 new people have started in the last month. Sober Bowling continues throughout the summer months as usual on the 3rd Friday of the month. Join us for bowling or cards.

ACTION COMMITTEE REPORTS

Corrections: Gary H. Chairperson. Reported by Kurt N. There is a new volunteer in Pine County Jail. All jails and prisons have opened except Kanabec, who are interested in starting to Zoom their meetings. Volunteers are needed to run a 1-hour AA meeting 1 night a month at the prisons. Please call Gary H. for details about prison volunteering. It is just as rewarding for those we carry the message to as it is rewarding for us to bring the message to those in need.

Public Information/CPC Sharla W. Kathy Met with Sharla and showed her how to do a presentation to the local physicians.

DISTRICT 11 IS IN NEED OF COMMITTEE CHAIRS FOR THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES:

Grapevine/Literature: No committee

Structure/Archives: No committee

Treatment: There was interest from several members of the Pine City group for this.

OLD BUSINESS

See attached June Meeting Agenda

- (a) Sharla still working on QR coding for business cards.
- (b) Discussed tailgating at different meetings in our District and providing food prior to their meeting. We will then attend their meeting and present a short topic or report on our different needs or business.
- (c) Gene F. to present Concept 8.
- (d) Discussion as to who will be reimbursed for attending Forums and Area 35 Conferences. It was brought up that GSR attendance should be supported by the group they represent. We will look at requests as they come up on a case by case basis.

NEW BUSINESS

- (a) Kurt will contact our Web Master to set a time for a conference call with Lee Ellen and Kurt and him to discuss questions about adding, editing and changing things on our web site.
- (b) We will keep our District 11 meetings on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 7PM at the First Presbyterian Church in Finlayson.
- (c) GSRs were given the task of presenting the motions that will be up for discussion at the August Forum and will report back to the DCM what their group vote is on each issue.

Meeting closed at 8:10 PM with the Responsibility Statement and the Declaration of Unity.

Yours in Service,

Lee Ellen O.
District 11 Secretary