

DISTRICT 11 MEETING MINUTES

September 6, 2022

This Meeting was held at Peace Lutheran Church in Finlayson at 7PM. Our Alternate DCM, Marvel, opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer. The following people were present:

Present: Vicki R. absent
Kurt N. Dist. Treasurer / GSR Monday 9AM Zoom / GSR Wednesday 7:30 PM Finlayson
United Methodist Church
Lee Ellen O. District Secretary / GSR Saturday What's the Point Zoom
Sharla W. GSR Saturday Serenity 10:30 / Sunday Amethyst 7:00 Sandstone
Gary H. GSR Quamba Monday Night City Hall
Marvel R. GSR Pine City Monday Night ORLC and Alternate Dist. DCM
Kathy M. GSR Ogilvie Thursday Night /Absent
Joe K. GSR Friday Night Happy Joyous and Free Meeting 7:00 Holy Angels ML
Renee S. GSR Wednesday 7PM Women's Step Group at Empower Recovery Services
/Absent
Dean GSR Wednesday 7PM Finlayson Methodist Church /Absent

ANNOUNCEMENTS: - Announcement can be found on the District Web Site under the EVENTS tab.

NEXT DISTRICT 11 COMMITTEE MEETING – October 4, 2022 at 7 PM at Peace Lutheran Church in Finlayson.

CONTINUE TO CHECK OUR WEB SITE FOR THE LOCATION AND TIME OF OUR DISTRICT MEETINGS AS SOME MEETINGS WILL BE HELD OFF SITE. DETAILS WILL FOLLOW.

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.

CONCEPT 9 WAS PRESENTED BY GARY

OFFICERS REPORTS

DCM – Report from the DCM for September 6th, 2022 can be found as an attachment to the minutes under the Sept. meeting minutes on the district web site.

Secretary – August minutes were approved. Thank you to Marvel for taking the minutes in my absence. The monthly meeting minutes are all available on line for viewing or printing on the District Web page for everyone. The minutes can be found under District Meeting Minutes on our Web Page- **district11online.org**. I have District meeting directories available. Please text me or call me at **218 380-0110** to arrange for delivery of them for you to hand out. Upcoming events were noted and will be listed on our webpage. The General Service Office is asking for **YOU** to put pen to paper and submit your recovery story to them for consideration to be included in the Fifth Edition of the Big Book of Alcoholics, personal stories in the back.

Treasurer- September Treasurer report was reviewed and approved.

TOTAL BALANCE as of 09/06/2022 \$836.38

Contributions to District 11 should be made payable to "District 11" and mailed to:

KURT NYGREN

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ASKOV, MN 55704

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

THANK YOU TO THOSE GROUPS WHO HAVE CONTINUED TO SEND IN REGULAR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE DISTRICT.

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

Gary H. Quamba City Hall Monday 8 PM Quamba Big Book, Step and Tradition

Attendance is steady at 8 – 9 regulars. No medallions last month. 1 member is volunteering at Pine County Jail.

Marvel R. Pine City Monday Night Our Redeemer Lutheran Church Step, Big Book. Monday 7:30 PM Open meeting. Regular attendance 20 – 25. We gave 6 medallions last month, 2 – 1mo., 1- 2mo., 1- 5yr., 1 – 2 yr., and 1 – 12yr. We have a new group leader and a very positive, cohesive group with great discussions. We often have newcomers and visitors.

Sharla W. Sunday Amethyst AA Sandstone City Hall 7PM Big Book, Step and Tradition. At 6 PM those who wish meet early get together to study a step before the regular meeting. We have great discussions and participation at our 7 PM meeting. We gave out a 3 mo., 1 yr. and a 1-day medallion last month.

10-12 people attending. New people attending weekly.

Saturday Serenity at Sandstone City Hall 10:30 AM. Big Book, Grapevine and Step meeting.

Attendance has picked up since covid and we have had great discussions. Average attendance is 10. Our monthly Sober Bowling will be on October 15th at Sandstone Bowling Alley at 7PM. Cost is \$11 for the evening including shoes. If you don't bowl, cards are played too.

Veronica J. Young Vikings Sunday Step Tradition Topic at Hope Lutheran in Moose Lake at 7 PM Average attendance is 4 to 5 people.

Lee Ellen O. What's the Point Saturday AA Zoom Meeting at 9AM. As Bill Sees It. On line Zoom meeting with regular attendance by 8 to 12 people. Local members have discussed going back to the

regular face to face meeting each Saturday and will continue to try to work something out with those long-distance attendees. We had a 25 yr. and a 40 yr. sobriety anniversary this month. Our group has been chosen by Area 35 to participate in an online survey that the General Service Board does every so many years. Our Area Delegate Steve Lere will meet with us online during our Zoom meeting and connect us up to the survey and we will all participate at the same time.

Kathy M. Ogilvie Thursday Night 8PM at Ogilvie Town Hall. Step, Tradition or Topic NO REPORT

Kurt N. Sunrise Big Book Study Monday morning 9AM Zoom Meeting. Active members include people from Woodbury, Mahtomedi, Askov, Sturgeon Lake, Sandstone and other various suburbs of the Twin Cities. Attendance steady at 6 to 8. This group is officially registered as a zoom meeting now so will be discussing how to contribute funds on a regular basis and who will handle all that. A 25 yr. sobriety birthday was celebrated.

Wednesday Finlayson 7:30 PM Meeting based on topics from conference approved literature. Kurt reported this meeting has grown in numbers and attendance has been regular. 1 medallion was given in September.

Joe K. Happy Joyous and Free Friday Night 7 PM at Holy Angels Church ML Speaker Meeting. Speakers are signed up to speak every Friday this year through December 19th already. If anyone would be willing to speak, please contact Veronica J. at **218-485-1606** to talk about any Friday beyond that. Attendance has been down, running an average of 10 to 12. We will be having a business meeting at 6:30 on October 7th to discuss Treasurer position, any meeting matters brought up and general discussion from all those in attendance.

Renee S. GSR Womens Step Group at Pine Empower Recovery Services Inc. Wednesday 7PM./Absent

ACTION COMMITTEE REPORTS

Corrections: Gary H., Chairperson. All jails and prisons have shut down except Pine County, due to staffing and Covid issues. Volunteers are needed to run a 1-hour AA meeting 1 night a month at the following prisons (when they do open back up) Rush City, Kanabec, Pine City, Sandstone, Moose Lake, Willow River Camp and MSOP. 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.

Grapevine/Literature: No committee

Structure/Archives: No committee

Public Information/Cooperation with Professionals: No committee

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

OLD BUSINESS

Set date for District Budget discussion – TABLED

Set date for Fiscal Policy discussion – TABLED

NEW BUSINESS

Vicki was asked to be the Area 35 Treasurer as this position was vacated by Cindy suddenly and no one has volunteered to take over. Marvel was asked to take over as DCM, if Vicki were to take that Area 35 position, but she asked for more time to discuss the matter with her family. Issue was left with Marvel to contact Vicki with her final deal with whatever has to be done as a committee with whatever the outcome may be.

Sharla will discuss with her Saturday AM Sandstone meeting to see if they would like to have the district meeting in November take place at one of their regular meetings, and have us serve breakfast for them followed by a short District Meeting. She will report to us at the October meeting as to what they decide.

Vicki, Lee Ellen, Marvel and Sharla will attend the Fall Assembly in Crookston, MN on October 1st – 3rd.

Sharla W. will present the 10th Concept at the October meeting

Meeting closed at 7:10 PM with Responsibility Statement and the Declaration of Unity.

Yours in Service,

Lee Ellen O.
District 11 Secretary