

MINUTES
District 7 Committee Meeting
March 9, 2014

Opening Meeting:

Traditions:

Concepts: Dan

Secretary's Report: Wanda presented the February Secretary Report. Motion was made by Susan to approve, seconded by John; motion passed.

New District Officers and Committee Members: Jeff – Thurs Step Study, Michael, Carrie, Brian - Ankeny

Treasurer's Report: Michelle presented the February Treasurer Report. Motion was made by John to approve, seconded by Marty; motion passed.

New GSR's/Visitors Introduction: None to report.

GSR Reports/Group Events: None to report.

District Committee Member Report: Hello everyone. I hope this finds you well. I attended the West Central Regional AA Service Conference which has hosted by Area 36. I missed the first night of the conference due to weather between Des Moines and the Twin Cities. I did make it to the venue without incident but arrived after 10 pm. On Saturday we made it through the remaining agenda items for this year's General Service conference. There were additional sessions planned by the host committee on various topics and I attended as many of those as I could. Here is a list of up-coming service events: March 22-23, 2014 – Area 24 General Service Weekend, Best Western Regency, Marshalltown, IA. June 20-22, 2014 – Spring Conference (Area Assembly), Buena Vista University, Storm Lake, IA. In Service, Carl.

Alternate District Committee Member Report: Absent

Local Committee Member Report: Greg was absent but sent a report. Wanda read Greg's report: I attended the Colfax 6:30 pm meeting on Sunday 2/23/14. They were happy to see me. We discussed representation at district, relaying info, gsr, etc... the feedback I received was that the Colfax group will no longer be having meetings. That meeting was the last one after 35 years. They are going to team up with Prairie City and let me know the new schedule. I was unable to do a sponsorship road trip to 7 pm Dexter meeting on Sunday 3/2/14 due to being sick. I had a friend talk to the members. They will keep me updated with info, send a gsr to district and participate. I'm still looking for people to join me in going to meetings outside of the metro within District 7. Please contact me if interested. Yours in Service Gregory V.

Public Information Report: Dave reported that PI has their budget together. Dave made an apology for not being present at the last PI meeting. If people have questions, they can talk with Dave. All are welcome to attend the PI committee meeting.

Cooperation with Professional Community Report: Megan reported that the committee meet with the Parole and Residential Officers at the Women's Center in Des Moines. They have a list of groups that they will be meeting with in the up-coming months.

Literature Report: No Report

Grapevine Report: Elaine began her report with the web page address. There are many opportunities to be of service in writing an article for the Grapevine. Audio stories are welcome for submission, see website for submissions requirements. June is the 70th Anniversary of the Grapevine; in 1944 there were 165 subscribers and today there is 77 thousand.

Archives Report: I'm forming a plan to begin a committee to conduct oral interviews of long timers throughout the district. I will looking for volunteers to conduct these interview in the future. I hope to have individualized interviews as well as round table discussions about the history of AA in the district. I am also going to research acquiring a scanner to digitize our documents. This will give anyone in AA in our district access to history information. Thanks for letting me serve, Marty.

Treatment Report: Allan reported that treatment and corrections are in need of volunteers. Allan attended the regional meeting.

Corrections Report: Susan reported that corrections was in need of volunteers for Mitchellville meeting and that the application is posted on the website. There is a need for volunteers (men/women) at the Polk County Jail. The application is posted on the website. There has been an order placed for books for Polk County Jail.

Web Report: Shawn reported that he has updated the website. Anyone interested in sinking their smart phone to the web page please is Shawn and he can help you, if you have questions.

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