DISTRICT 11 GSR MEETING NEW HAMPTON - JULY 29, 2014

MINUTES

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mike C. District 11 DCM
Dan P. District 11 Alt. DCM

Michelle p. GSR Franklin, Primary Purpose

Kevin T. District 11 Registrar, GSR Laconia, Beginners Awareness Corey L. District 11 Webmaster, GSR Meredith, Wed. Inter-Lakes

Rob P. GSR Laconia, Tuesday 12 & 12

Mary Ellen B. District 11 Corrections, GSR Lakeport Attitude Adjustment Ken G. District 11 Grapevine Rep/GSR Center Sandwich BB Mtg

George F. GSR Center Harbor Fri-nite Potpourri

Elizabeth L. District 11 Hotline Chair

Ted O. GSR Laconia Tri-Step Tuesday Night

Todd C. GSR Laconia, Loony Nooners

Cynthia S. GSR Laconia, Monday Night Stepping Up Group Catherine P. District 11 PI/CPC, GSR Laconia, Tri-Step Beginners

Dorothy M. GSR Plymouth, Women's Group
Billy S. GSR Laconia, Thursday Night Original
Larry L. GSR Laconia, Thursday Night Original
Keith A. GSR Plymouth, Sunday Night Original

Liz W. District 11 Secretary

Mike C. called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, opened with the Serenity Prayer followed by a Moment of Silence. Introductions were made around the table as noted above.

DCM REPORT: Mike began his report by thanking everyone for attending the meeting tonight. Mike visited the group in our District that had been selected to participate in the 2014 AA Membership Survey, after a Group Conscience the group agreed to take part in the survey. Ken L, our Area Delegate will contact the group and conduct the survey. There were two Bridging the Gap temporary contact requests for our District, he was able to contact volunteers in our District to aid in those requests. On July 12, Mike participated in an Area 43 Treatment Committee Conference Call with the Area Treatment Chairperson and some members of the Treatment Committee. It was informative, and many good suggestions were made. Such as; one volunteer sign-up sheet for choices of Hotline, Pre-release and Bridging the Gap. As well as the development of an on line sign-up sheet to ease the "paper shuffle." The District is still seeking a member willing to serve as District Treatment Chair. Anyone stepping up would receive assistance and support in this vital area of service. In the meantime our Alt. DCM, Dan P. has stepped up to serve the District in that capacity. Mike attended the July 17th District 11 Functions Committee meeting at the Laconia Congo Church – get ready for the fun on August 30th!! On July 27th he attended the Area 43 Committee Meeting held at the Hooksett Service office and entered a report for our District. Mike brought back Area reports available for those interested. There is some new literature and a DVD that is available (or will be shortly).

DCM REPORT: (cont.)

The Area 43 Alt. Delegate Paul S. and the Area Functions Committee visited the No. Conway Grand Hotel, which will be the site of next Aprils Area Convention in 2015. Paul is seeking help with AA hosted workshops, and meetings for the Al-Anon Convention being held at the Bartlett Grand Summit Hotel on Sept.5-7 of this year. Please contact Paul via his email link on the Area 43 website. The Area 43 August Area Assembly is coming up in Manchester August 23rd; Mike asks that all attend if you are available. He closed his report by thanking us all for our continuing to serve our District and AA as a whole.

ALT DCM REPORT: Dan is continuing to work with the Functions Committee – and notes that there will be another Functions Committee meeting on August 21, at 7 PM at the Congregational Church, downtown Laconia. All interested parties are encouraged to attend. Dan noted that there will be a 6% price increase in literature at the end of August of this year.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The secretary's report was accepted as submitted, motion made, seconded, unanimous vote to accept.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Greg was unable to attend tonight's meeting however he did send his report to the DCM and the secretary – who brought copies for distribution. No discussion, motion made to accept the report as submitted, seconded, and vote unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

REGISTRAR: Kevin stated he was not going to order a printing of the meeting lists at this time. He restated that all changes need to go through him, and Kevin will in turn, advice the Area. The Group Change forms are on our website – available for you to print out and fill out.

FUNCTIONS: Pam was not available this evening, however Pam had sent a report to Mike C. prior to the meeting. Catherine P. presented for her. Flyers are available on the District website, and have been sent out with last month's GSR minutes – they were also available at this meeting. There will be baskets made for children to be raffled off, and there will be a 50/50 raffle also. The Up Close and Personal, and Pancakes and Promises meetings both have made contributions directly to the Functions Committee. As stated previously the next Functions Comm. Mtg will be at the Congo Church, downtown Laconia on 8/21 at 7:00 pm. Due to a change in Pam's current schedule, Catherine announced that Pam will be stepping down at Functions Chair. Pam has appreciated all the help she received but she will no longer be able to run the Committee. It was noted that there are many members of the Committee, so it will remain operational. If anyone is interested in getting involved on the District level – please contact the district, or come to the next GSR meeting – August 26th.

GRAPEVINE/LITERATURE: Ken has 4 racks that he is going to fill with literature, and wants to share them with a group that does not have any literature at this time. Ken would also like to come to meetings so help spread the word about the literature that is available. If a group would like a display – please contact Ken. Keith mentioned that Tuesday night Bristol does not have any literature available.

PI/CPC: Catherine repeated that she needs a replacement as she is stepping down and will not be available for this position by the end of August. She stated that she will be giving her extra literature to Ken G the Grapevine/Lit. rep. Catherine thinks that the District is set at this time as literature was recently passed out to the community.

WEBMASTER: Corey made note that the GSR Minutes are posted on the website within 24 hours of him receiving them. He stated that the website is up to date, and if anyone has any questions, or concerns to contact him.

CORRECTIONS: Mary Ellen noted that the women's meeting at the jail have resumed. The forms that are needed for signing up for volunteering at the jail are on our website. There was a question as to whether Greg had found replacements for the two volunteer slots he was looking for – no one had an answer at this time.

HOTLINE: Elizabeth is still looking for volunteers to sign up for the Hotline. If you print a hotline volunteer sign-up sheet (off our website) you can bring it to all the meetings you attend and ask people to sign up if they are interested. You don't need a separate sheet for each meeting. ALSO important – since the Hotline folks are out in Illinois – they don't know which towns are close to each other in New Hampshire – so – if you would write a list of local towns that you are willing to take calls from – it would help everyone out very much. There is also a texting option available. If you screen your calls, and only take calls from numbers you know – then you might miss a call from the Hotline – they do not leave messages.

TREATMENT: Dan stated that he has been in contact with the Phoenix House and Webster Place for the Treatment Chair position that he is covering. He is looking for a contact at the Plymouth House and will be in contact with them too. This continues to be an open position available for service in the District.

OLD BUSINESS - Mike C was not able to get the raffle tickets for the Area Convention in; he will get them in August. Corey reminded us that the District 11 Service Manual is on our website.

NEW BUSINESS - Mike C said a question regarding group donations to the functions committee was brought to his attention by a member of AA but since he was not present, nor was the functions chair, it would be addressed next month. Kevin stated he got a check for functions and gave it to Greg. Ken asked about functions financing and Dan reiterated the function prudent reserve policy and the return of any excess funds to the district after every event.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm with the Responsibility Declaration: "When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that: I am responsible."

Respectfully submitted,

Liz W, and Michelle P.