

**DISTRICT 11 GSR MEETING
NEW HAMPTON - OCTOBER 28, 2014**

MINUTES

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mike C.	District 11 DCM
Dan P.	District 11 ALT. DCM
Dorothy M.	GSR Plymouth, Women Wed. Mtg.
Elizabeth L.	District 11 Hotline Representative
Mary Ellen B.	District 11 Corrections Chair, GSR Lakeport, Attitude Adj.
Corey L.	District 11 Webmaster, GSR Meredith, Wed. Nite Interlakes
Kevin T.	District 11 Registrar, GSR Laconia, Beginners Awareness
Dave M.	GSR Plymouth, Covered Bridge Group
Rob P.	GSR Laconia, Tues Night 12 & 12
Greg C.	District 11 Treasurer
Todd C.	GSR, Laconia, Loonie Nooners
Will C.	GSR, Tilton/Franklin Friday Night
Dick H.	Visiting, Franklin, Sunday Night 12 & 12
Keith A.	GSR Plymouth, New Freedom Group
Ken G.	District 11 Grapevine/Lit Rep, GSR Center Sandwich, BB Thursday Night
Carl W.	Visiting Franklin/Sunday Night 12 & 12
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 by thanking everyone for coming tonight. Mike thanked Dan P for conducting the last months GSR meeting. On 10/26 Mike attended the Area 43 Committee Meeting in Hooksett, and submitted a report for our District. He thanked Dan for preparing that report. There will be a Hospitality Suite at the 2015 International Convention in Atlanta, which is being hosted by the NE Region. More information will be available at the November Area Assembly. November 22nd Area 43 will holds its Area Inventory Assembly, hosted by District 14 at the Kittery Lions Club. Mike passed out a questionnaire; they are looking for input from our area. Mike wants encourage our GSR to attend the Area Assemblies as they are valuable to our Area and our service work, while enjoying the fellowship and networking. There will be roundtables at the next Assembly, during the lunch break – as always input and/or attendance is greatly appreciated. Other information, Area 43 Corrections Chair Sean is requesting that member consider volunteering as a Corrections Pre-release contact. Area Functions Committee reports that all is going well with the April Area Convention. Also if anyone is receiving email or other correspondence from outside enterprises as AA members, this is not due to any release of contact info by the Area or by GSO.

ALT. DCM REPORT: Dan attended the Area Committee Meeting with Mike. One of the items addressed was in regard to appropriate language for publications such as the Area Newsletter the Pipeline. This came as a result of some questionable language used in a recent article. The Area determined that vulgarity has no place in the Newsletter representing Area 43 at large. Dan stated that he and Mike discussed the possibility of a District newsletter which was discussed at this meeting. There will be another literature increase to cover the 3% AA is charged by credit card companies for literature purchases. NERASAA registration forms are out, and Dan brought some to the meeting. In an effort to save the District money – Mike and Dan will be sharing a room for this event.

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

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's report was submitted by Greg, discussion, motion made, seconded, vote unanimous.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

REGISTRAR: Kevin had 3000 meeting lists printed and brought them to the meeting. He stated that the difference in price between 2000 and 3000 was minimal and decided to get the better rate. Kevin is not going to be available for either the November or December GSR meetings.

FUNCTIONS: Dan presented Michele's report for the Function Committee. The Function Committee held their first meeting on 10/16 to plan for the Alcathon and the New Year's Eve Dance. The start time for the Alcathon will be announced. The committee is looking for volunteers to help clean up after the Alcathon. Flyers were brought for distribution at our meetings. The final flyer will be available at next month's GSR meeting. The Function Committee will be meeting the second Thursday of every month at the Congo Church in Laconia at 7:00 pm. The next meeting will be on November 13. Any questions or comment, please contact Dan 603-348-2030, Mike 603-455-9600 or Michele 603-738-1863.

GRAPEVINE/LIT: Ken went to the Hooksett office and purchase some pamphlets enough to fill 3 racks. When the GSR's register with GSO – they should receive a packet of material. In that packet is a literature catalog which shows all the AA literature available and the prices. Ken was asked if there was going to be a display at the Alcathon, he is going to let the Function Committee decide what they want for literature. If any group needs literature, Ken can be contacted either by email at or by telephone at 253-Redacted .

PI/CPC: This position is still open.

WEBMASTER: Corey states that the domain needs to be updated as it is almost 2 years since he set up the website. There was an option that we could register it for one year, or go ahead and register it for the full two years. A motion was made that we register the domain name for the two years, seconded, vote unanimous. Corey also said that he will continue as Webmaster for another year with the hopes of working with another person for the following year.

CORRECTIONS: MaryEllen stated that books had been bought for the jail by a source other than AA. She further stated that all is going smoothly for the Women's meetings and asked Greg how things were for the Men's meeting. Greg that there were new Big Books at the jail as well, and that the meetings were doing fine. A suggestion of the meeting in a pocket, be used at the jail but there was concern as they do not allow things with staples. Perhaps however folks involved in Bridging the Gap could use the meeting in the pocket pamphlets when they are working with new release folks.

HOTLINE: Elizabeth stated that the call log is still not available but will be mailed to her soon. She had some volunteer packets that include some valuable information as well as the volunteer sign-up sheet. Elizabeth only needs the last page. She wanted to remind people that you need to put in the town you live in, AND any towns that you are willing to travel to as the answering service is in the Midwest and does not know the towns in New Hampshire. Also – please include your gender so they can match men with men and women with women.

TREATMENT: Dan stated that he received zero Bridging the Gap calls this month. He did however do a BTG presentation at Webster Place, and is scheduled to do one at the Phoenix House. The Area Treatment Chair expressed concern over the lack of volunteers. Dan brought BTG sign-up sheets with him for distribution to all the groups.

OLD BUSINESS: Mike brought up the Hotline Cards being put in the Laconia Sun as a 2"by 2"ad. There was discussion that the cost might be prohibitive. A question was raised if they knew that AA was a non-profit organization? Mike is going to go back to them and check on the price. Liz contacted the Pennysaver, and was quoted a price of \$21.60 per week. The Pennysaver is only printed on Thursdays. The decision on this was tabled till a later date when all the information is available.

Mike was wondering if there was any response regarding the bookie swap request from the September GSR meeting. Collin was not present but Liz had not received any responses to the request.

Mike also stated that he called the Belknap Country House of Corrections and spoke to Tamara, who said that things were running smoothly and the meetings were being covered, or the Jail is being notified in plenty of time.

NEW BUSINESS: Quarterly Newsletter being proposed for the District. Mike feels that this might help get participation on the GSR level for our District. This newsletter will share people's experience, strength and hope, all in the District will be welcomed to participate. A contest may be set up to name the newsletter. Dan has offered to help get the newsletter going, and will bring a sample newsletter to the next meeting. It is hoped that the GSR's will get the word out and see what people think of this idea.

The November meeting is when the time slots for the Alcathon are chosen. Every group that is hoping to be involved in the Alcathon should have representation at this GSR meeting.

Greg is going to look into whether the cost of the Alcathon flyers would come under the printing budget, or the Alcathon budget.

Elizabeth stated that she received a call from Ingrid stating that there are two women in Bristol who are sober but new to the area and have no transportation. If there is anyone in the Bristol area interested in picking them up and bringing them to meetings, please contact Elizabeth or reply to this email.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm with the Responsibility Declaration: "I am responsible. 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.