

District 9 Meeting Minutes

DATE: 12.18.22

The meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer with Diane, Ricco, John, Joe, Tom, Jeff, Jack, Cathy, Chuck, Larry, Patrick, Phyllis and Sandy in attendance.

Tradition XII: And finally, we of Alcoholics Anonymous believe that the principle of anonymity has an immense spiritual significance. It reminds us that we are to place principles before personalities; that we are actually to practice a genuine humility. This to the end that great blessings may never spoil us; that we shall forever live in thankful contemplation of Him who presides over us all. Read by Phyllis.

Agenda Additions: Nursing Home, Voting at Area 35 Committee Meetings & Assemblies, and Area 35 Budget

Secretary's Report: Last Month's Meeting Minutes approved

CHAIR REPORTS

Treasury Report: Jack

Beginning Balance	\$2,342.50
Income	\$ 200.00
Expenses	\$ 0.00
Ending Balance	\$2,542.50
Less Reserve	\$ -300.00
Total Balance	\$2,242.50 (See Attached)

Treatment: Jeff attended the Area 35 Committee Meeting in Aitkin. He reports Bridging the Gap is moving along slowly. He looks forward to the district website launching. If you are

interested in signing up as a volunteer for Bridging the Gap, please contact Jeff. At meetings he attends, he announces the opportunity to volunteer for Bridging the GAP at each meetings.

Corrections: No Report

Literature/Grapevine: Please call, email or text any literature requests to Sandy skomula@gmail.com or 520-664-6011. Also, remind your groups to order Grapevine subscriptions too! A request was made by Chuck to look into the delays for new subscriptions to the Grapevine.

Archives: Vacant

PI/CPC: I attended the Area 35 Committee Meeting in Aitkin on Dec. 4, 2022. I met with the Area 35 CPC/PI committee sharing session led by Greg C., Area 35 CPC Chair. There was a lot of good information shared such as the positive results of district websites, use of Q codes, the importance of bringing literature and business cards into hotels and motels, communicating with large businesses' such as our Taconite mines or L&M Radiator, etc.

I attended the Tri-district workshop planning committee meeting for our upcoming Spring Workshop.

We had a CPC/PI planning meeting at 5:00 p.m. (just prior to this meeting.) We are looking forward to getting our website running to assist in the CPC/PI work. In Service, Tom T.

GSR Reports

GSR	Hibbing Downtown Group #110172	Attendees:
	Monday Night St. James Church 7:00 pm	14
	Meeting ID: 399 875 003 Password: 129930	Pins:
Sandy Tom, Alt.	Format: Hybrid – Steps, Traditions, Big Book, CAL	0

GSR	Thursday Morning Downtown Group #101949 St. James Church 10:00 am	Attendees: 11-12 Pins: 0
Jack	Format: Steps & Topic	
GSR	Tuesday 4 pm Group #12541 Trinity Lutheran Church	Attendees: 8 Pins: 0
Cathy	Format: Steps, Big Book, Grapevine & Topic	
GSR	Hibbing Morning A.A. Group #24189 M/T/W/F Only Hibbing Alano Club 10:00 am	Attendees: 10-12 Pins: (1) 90 Days
Jeff	Format: Big Book, Living Sober, 12x12, Grapevine & Topic	
GSR	Thursday Noon Group #8471 Hibbing Alano Club 12:00 pm	Attendees: 8-10 Pins: 42 Years
Chuck, Alt	Format: 12x12	
GSR	Saturday Nite Keep It Simple Group #64685 Hibbing Alano Club 8:00 pm	Attendees: 7 Pins: 0
John	Format: Big Book	
GSR	Zim Group #42543 McDavitt Town Hall, Forbes, Wednesday Night 7:00 pm	Attendees: 3 Pins: 0
Patrick	Format: Steps, Traditions, Grapevine, Big Book, 5 th week outside group takes a CAL Topic	
GSR	Hibbing Saturday Morning Group #110174 Hibbing Alano Cloub 10:00 am	Attendees: 12 Pins: 0
Joe	Format: Daily Reflections	

ALT DCM Report: I met with DCM Diane, Ricco, Dave S. and Cathy R. We discussed the January workshop. Our topic is The Third Legacy – Unity. We will meet again after the Holidays.

I am also working on doing a District 9 Inventory in the spring. I would like some input from the District. What are questions that need to be asked and how to make the District easier for the incoming GSR's. I welcome any other suggestions. In Service, Chuck R.

DCM Report: We have been asked to do a topic at the Area 35 Service Workshop. The topic is "Three Legacy Solution – Unity: Our Second Legacy". Chuck, Ricco, David, Cathy, and I will do the presentation. We met on Zoom to plan and we will again meet one week before the Workshop. We have been asked to use AA Conference Approved Literature for background information. Articles in the Grapevine are not conference approved literature.

As of this writing, Tyler is still working on our website. I have been in touch with him and hopes to have online soon.

I attended the Area 35 Committee Meeting in Aitkin on December 4. Highlights are as follows:

1. The Area Committee voted to send only the Delegate and Alternate Delegate to the West Central Regional Service Conference in Omaha this year.
2. The Area 35 Service Workshop will be Hybrid. More information to follow. Check out www.Area35.org for more information. There is a registration fee of \$20 which will be set up in the process. Maybe through Venmo.
3. The Archives Committee put together a proposed Policy for Archives. Please read. This will be discussed and possibly voted on at the Spring Assembly.
4. Delegate nomination process will be discussed at the Spring Assembly. In the Area 35 Action Booklet it talks about the Delegate nomination process. See it under elections, page 20, 4/1/95.

5. Northern Light Content Discussion will be at the Spring Assembly.
6. Please read our Delegates Article in the Northern Lights regarding Area Officer Election Discussion and bring information to the Spring Assembly.
7. Area 35 and 36 Joint Workshop will be on Zoom. The date is July 2023
8. Area Budget Discussion – Donation not keeping up with Budgeted Expenses.
9. There is a possibility that if you want to attend a Jail meeting in Sherburne County, so may be able to attend on Zoom.
10. There was discussion about changing the format of Area Assembly to do Area Business first.

District 8, 9, and 16 met on 12/11/22. We are planning a workshop on 3/18/22 at the Hibbing Alano Club. We have two topics planned and would like to involve the newcomers to AA again. Please let a committee member know if you have Newcomers working the Steps with their AA Sponsor and who would be willing to share that experience, about a 5-minute limit. The other topic would be AA Sponsorship, Its Opportunities and Its Responsibility.

The Area Committee agreed to make 1,000 Bridging The Gap Brochures. In Service, Diane R.

Business (Old/New): At the Area 35 Committee Meeting in Aitkin voting members include: Area officers, Area chairs, DCM or Alt DCM if DCM is not present. If there are Conference proposal(s) put forward by any District – the GSRs can vote on the proposal(s) due to the deadline set 9/15 by GSO. At the Area Assembly (Spring in April & Fall in October) voting members include: GSRs or Alt GSRs, Area Officers and Area Committee Chair, DCM or Alt DCM if DCM not present. District chairs are not eligible to vote.

Nursing homes: Tom T., CPC/PI Chair was looking into bringing meetings into nursing homes/care facilities. He reported there are 12 Nursing homes/assisted living in Hibbing and 6 in Chisholm. Discussion followed. All of them probably have a need. He has offered to get information to them. He is also asking for volunteers to help bring literature, etc. to families and staff. There are people that need us.

Area 35 Budget. We have a shortfall in our contributions. Discussion followed. Please keep in mind that we voted on this budget and we as a district need to do our part in supporting service work. Diane will be providing additional information as it becomes available. How budgeting is done was also discussed. The area treasurer will consult with past area treasurer on suggestions to managing the budget. Please bring back to your groups the shortfall in contributions. It was also mentioned as a great topic for the inventory.

Area 35 Spring Assembly: April 1-2, 2023 Holiday Inn, Alexandria, MNM

Area 35 Committee Meeting: Sunday, February 26, 2023 @ 9:00 am Aiktin, MN

Tri-District Committee Meeting: January 8, 2023 @ 5:00 pm via Zoom

Area 35 47th Annual Service Workshop “Our 3rd Legacy – So What Are We Doing Here?”

January 14th & 15th 2023 Holiday Inn, Duluth, MN

Next District Meeting: Sunday, January 29, 2023 @ 6:00 pm Hibbing Alano Club & Hybrid Meeting ID: 884 1245 0410 Passcode: 020124

WCRAASC: March 3-5, 2023 Omaha, NE

Closed with the Responsibility Statement

Minutes taken by Sandy K., District 9 Secretary 520-664-6011 skomula@gmail.com