

DISTRICT 37 SERVICE MEETING

July 22, 2007

Attendance:

Barb (District Secretary)	Lynn W. (Corrections Chair)
Curtis	Martha (Grapevine Chair)
Dennis G.	Sandy (Lemonweir GSR)
Don B.	Susan F.
Jeannie (DCM)	Terry
Jon R.	William
Jo Mc (Area 75 Past NY Delegate)	

Meeting called to order by Jeannie at 2:00 p.m. with a moment of silence, followed by the Responsibility Statement.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes from the June meeting were read & approved with a revision to Fall Conference information ... "GSR hotel expenses should not be paid by their groups, just registration & banquet fees".

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer, Tom R., was not present. Current account balance is ????. Jo Mc has recommended the district look for a new Treasurer. Martha asked if anyone has talked to Tom. Jeannie spoke with him on July 21 & he said he's been busy. Martha wanted to know the service involved in the Treasurer position. Barb would be willing to fulfill the Treasurer responsibilities on a temporary basis.

Service Committee Reports:

Martha, Grapevine Chair, reported that she has received e-mails & should be getting materials in the near future. She has been registered as the chair of this service committee & has ordered a Grapevine subscription for herself & will make subscriptions available to groups within the district.

Lynn, Corrections Chair, hadn't received any information yet. She will be contacting Dale & the other correction meeting volunteers soon.

DCM Report:

Jeannie welcomed our two new service committee chairs & reminded us that there are still more committees that need chairs! Archives, Cooperation with the Professional Community, Literature, Public Information, Special Needs & Treatment. Jeannie has information regarding the service responsibilities of the various committees & volunteer forms.

District 37 needs an alternate DCM & all the groups within our district are encouraged to elect a GSR. Sandy is the GSR for the Lemonweir Valley Group & Mike for the Friday

Night Mauston Group. Jeannie shared the importance of reading the GSR pamphlet which highlights the service commitments involved in this position, which include attending service meetings & keeping their groups informed about what's happening at the district & area level.

Jeannie reported that registration for the Elroy group is pending & all the other groups within the district are registered. She stressed the importance of each group obtaining a tax ID number.

Fall Conference is being held October 12-14 in Manitowoc. Jeannie recommended GSRs to register early. This is going to be a bigger than normal conference. The East Central Region, which includes five states, will be involved.

Jeannie shared information she has received from the ad hoc committee established by the Area 75 Chairperson, John B., at the June 24th assembly. This committee is reviewing the need for having both a fall & spring conference. Attendance has been low & groups have been asked to discuss their needs & report back to their DCM.

Jo Mc. (ad hoc committee member) answered questions & shared different possible options. Martha stressed the importance of attending conferences to encourage, educate & share in the fellowship. Members who attend gain valuable knowledge that can be shared with their groups.

Old Business:

"Is Recovery Enough?" workshop was held on June 23. Thanks to all who helped make our workshop a success. A special thanks to Jo Mc for pitching in the night before & all day of the workshop. Thanks to all of our dedicated panel members who came from many different parts of the state. Jeannie received many positive & encouraging comments from attendees. George stated "best workshop I've ever attended". Stu wondered if we would make it an annual event. Very much enjoyed by all & ending the workshop with fellowship & music by George P. & Will K. will go down in history.

New Business:

The Union Center group is planning a Speaker Meeting & Chili Dump on September 29. This group also has an annual Halloween Party the last Tuesday in October.

Jeannie reported that groups have asked if the District would be having another workshop. Show of hands of the members in attendance today support interest in another workshop. We discussed a variety of workshop topics, including Traditions, Corrections, Grapevine, History of AA Workshop. Decision was made to go back to our groups & ask for suggestions. Holding the workshop the end of October/beginning of November was discussed.

The next District 37 Service Meeting is tentatively scheduled for 2:00 on Saturday, August 18. The location will be announced with memo flyers to groups.

Meeting adjourned.