

## March 2018 MINUTES

### ATTENDANCE

**Chairs:** DCM-Patrick G, **Alt DCM:** MaryBeth P. **Treasurer-**Jaclyn T, **Archives-**Ronna B, **Corrections-**Katy M, **CPC-**Vacant, **Grapevine-**Excused, **Literature-**Vacant, **Treatment-**Sarah S, **PI-** Ben B, **Intergroup Liaison-**Bill M., **Secretary-**Lee C

**Groups:** **Bettendorf** – Nancy R, **Big Book Study-** Ann M., **Clinton-** Jeff B., **Dewitt-**Bill M., **Marquette-** MaryBeth P, **Three Legacies-** Scott P. **West End-** Tommy H.

### REPORTS

**Treasurer's Report:** *Beginning balance-* \$3,277.86, *Income-* \$3,091.00 *Expenses-* \$567.82, *Balance-* \$5,801.04, *Seed money-* \$300.00, *Prudent reserve-* \$300.00, *Operating balance* \$5,201.04

### DCM:

#### Alt. DCM:

**Archives:** The district 9 mini event was a success. Still in the process of cleaning and organizing archives room. Attended my first anniversary dinner/meeting at Big Book. Will continue to attend anniversary celebrations of the district groups and gather information. Will continue to work towards getting the room organized.

**Corrections:** This Wednesday will be our first meeting at 605. Randy the corrections committee liaison from West End and I will be chairing the first meeting. Please announce to your home group and to anyone you know looking for service work that we are happy to have men and women sign up to chair these meetings. There is a six month sobriety requirement. There are no background checks, however, you are required to watch the PREA (Prison Rape Elimination Act) video upon entering the facility as a volunteer for the first time. Please don't let that alarm you, it is a federal law for any volunteer entering a correctional facility and it is more in regards to inmate safety than volunteer safety. 605 meetings are every Wednesday from 6:30-7:30, men and women in separate meetings. Please contact Katy at (563) 723-2143 or Lisa at Intergroup. A new flyer listing all three corrections opportunities at Scott County, 605 and RCF has been sent to the webmaster and the 605 flyer has been sent to Lisa for the newsletter. I have brought copies for the GSR's to take back to their home groups. Had a meeting with Scott County recently regarding "outside issues on the inside". I would welcome any experience and direction on this, but my opinion was to grant Scott County's wishes that if inmates wish to discuss outside issues (namely narcotics) in jail meetings they may, as most identify and are serving time for issues regarding drug addiction rather than alcoholism. My experience is that, it is such a miracle if they make it onto to become AA members upon release, that if that be the case they will have ample opportunity to learn the etiquette. Our more immediate purpose is to carry the message to this population, and that the more inclusive we can be, the better for them, and all the better for our community.

#### CPC: Vacant

**Grapevine:** Grapevine committee was able to meet on February 24th and discuss the ongoing project of presenting small grape vine stand-ups to be placed in the different groups. We will be visiting the Marquette group, the Central Discussion group, Blandine and Sister's in sobriety as their business meeting agendas allow. Looking forward to increasing Grapevine subscriptions and what it has to offer. In love and service, Kiersten C.

**Treatment:** I was contacted by Maria Van Leer, Addiction Counselor at the Rosecrance New Life Outpatient Center, requesting AA speakers for their 9:30am and 5:00pm time slots. I've recruited 2 people for March 14, 2018. The other dates are: 5/9, 7/6, 8/29, 10/24, 12/19. The two 8:00pm Country Oaks meetings are covered through June, 2018. Angie Ramirez at Country Oaks and I have been in contact regarding "badging" the volunteers. As of right now, there is still no requirement, but it will be coming and the volunteers have been told to be ready. The weekly meeting (Wed. at 7:00pm) at Accordius Health at St. Mary's (nursing home located on E. Rusholme in Davenport) has 1 participant

and she loves it when we show up!! I've had a few volunteers come forward and are currently getting them approved to come into the facility. I will be attending the March 10<sup>th</sup> meeting in Marshalltown.

Love & service, Sarah

**PI:** Formed committee with Bettendorf PI Kristin and Amy to start AA project. Will meet monthly. Emailed Area PI about hearing impaired, still looking for information. Attended 24th annual Cedar River Roundup, Cedar Rapids. In love and service. Ben

**Literature:** Vacant

**Intergroup Liaison:** Hi from Intergroup

We are having elections for all positions on March 5th at our monthly meeting. They are 1 year terms and you can hold the positions for 2 terms. It's great 12 step work and awesome service work.

Intergroup's 44 year Anniversary is April 14th at Modern Woodman Park 5pm doors open fellowship 6pm dinner and Don M. Will speak after dinner along with raffle and 50/50. Please donate for coffee and dessert. Tickets are 25.00 at the office and from your Intergroup Rep. The speaker meeting is free come and have fun and dessert. Volunteers are always needed for the office and on the phone rotation 6 months sobriety is needed to volunteer. Intergroup has lots of items that do not cost much and are cool to give to friend, family and sponsored. We want to thank all groups and people for supporting us thank you so much. The web-site hits were over a 1000. Love and Service Bill P.S. this is my last report as Intergroup Liaison it been great fun ☺.

#### **GROUP REPORTS**

**Bettendorf:** Planning anniversary for april 21. Donating coffee urns and raffle basket for Intergroup event. Group inventory was completed. Love and service, Nancy R Bett Group GSR

**Dewitt Group:** Our 43 year Anniversary is on April 6th at Grace Luthern Cramp doors open at 5pm fellowship, pot luck supper at 6pm and speakers to follow lots of fun. DeWitt Group has their next business meeting on March 10th after the 10am meeting. We enjoy going to speaker meetings at Clinton Group, Maquoketa Group and 3 Legacies Anniversary to hear Cissi share her experience strength and hope it was great. We're always looking for ways to carry the message. Love and Service Bill

**The Three Legacies-** Attendance continues to be steady at our Thursday night meeting at an average of 65 people (held 6:30 – 7:30pm). We continue to offer childcare and request a \$5.00 contribution per child. We celebrated our 5th Anniversary at our last meeting on March 1, 2018. Cissi L. was our speaker. I am looking forward to our next Area 24 service weekend held March 10, 2018 in Marshall Town, IA. In love and service, Scott P

**Mini Event Report:** Thank you to everyone for making the Mini Event so much fun. I heard a lot of feedback that after hearing the service talks many people felt they learned things they never knew and felt revitalized to do service work. The food was delicious – thanks Ben and Bill! Silent auction was great. The new game was super fun, thanks Sarah and Scott. The only downside was attendance. I would look forward to any ideas you have for the next event on what could have been done better for attendance. With Love & Service, Katy

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**NEXT DISTRICT MEETING:** April 8<sup>th</sup> 3:30pm Central Discussion  
**Marshalltown service weekend March 10<sup>th</sup>.**