

DISTRICT 23  
MONTHLY MINUTES  
September 13, 2012

Meeting called to order: 6:30 p.m.

Open: Reid opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer.  
New GSRs/Alt.GSRs: James H., Moses Cone; Earl H., Radiance; Kim A., Easy Does It; Hannah H., Desperados (Alt.); Claire R., New Beginnings for Women; Melody W., Daily Reprieve; Matt, Free Spirit. Also present was Shay B. From District 52, Madison Group.

Present: Tai F., Live & Let Live; Mariah B., Language of the Heart; Tama F., Daytime (Alt.); Katie J., Keeping it Green; Earl H., Radiance; Rue, Big Book Too; Mihael McC., Eighteenth Street; Hannah H., Desperados (Alt); Chris H., Daytime; Claire R., New Beginnings for Women; Jeremy L., Desperados; Shay B., Madison-Mayodan; Dan C., Easy Does It; Jackie W., The Way Out; Doug K., Moses Cone; Melody W., Daily Reprieve; Charles K., Rule 62; Teddy B., Serendipity; James H., Moses Cone.

Secretary's Report: Motion and second to approve minutes of August 9, 2012, as corrected.  
Passed.

Treasurer's Report: Motion and second to approve Treasurer's Report. Passed.

Committee Reports:

CFC: Tama reported that residents have been moved to the new downtown jail. She understands they are on lockdown - no visitors- no meetings. She expressed concerns about our networking. She has a new contact and will keep the District informed on any new information and structure.

TFC: Kelley reported that keeping commitments at Behavioral Health during the months of June and July were bad. August appeared to improve slightly. So far in September the attendance has not been good. She asked the group about a possible solution to missed commitments. Perhaps less days; an email to remind those who have taken the commitment; having a substitution list for the times persons cannot meet their obligations. There was also discussion regarding 3 days with a rotating system and the use of calendar for groups to take an assignment and how to implement that. Daymark is being handled. She reported she has been in touch with Behavioral Health and the requirements are that the leader must have at least one year of sobriety; anyone else may have less. Kelly said that her term is coming to an end in January, following November elections, and she needs someone to "train". A motion and second was made to have Earl be Alt. TFC and work with Kelly. The motion was passed unanimously.

Special Events: Rue reported that so far he has three volunteers to help with the New Year's Eve event. He reminded GSRs to report to their groups to make any donations payable to Special Events.

CPC: Absent. However Nancy sent a text report stating that she is in the process of handing out literature to local clergy.

PI: Open Position

Grapevine: Open Position

Website Report: Doug reported by email that hits are up. He requested \$100 to pay the invoice for the domain registrations. He encouraged GSRs to announce our website, NC23.org where there is a wealth of information and a Hotsheet which can be downloaded.

LCM: Jean had no report.

Alt. DCM: Open Position

DCM Report: Reid reported again on the ongoing controversy in the District. Area District 44 is raising approximately \$10,000 per month under the guise of AA.

Copies of Facebook posts and a letter from our Delegate, Jennifer D., were distributed to those in attendance. Our delegate's letter specifically states that " ... anything that has to do with the Area District 44 service committee that is mentioned on the Facebook page of is not Alcoholics

Anonymous. It is not a service committee of Alcoholics Anonymous and not a part of our service structure. Future plans of this being a part of the AA service structure do not exist at this time, nor has any communication occurred that would begin the process of this occurrence." Reid suggested we Google "confusing similarity" and "passing off", which gives definition to the controversy in which we find ourselves involved. He urged all of us to maintain AA and work together through this troubling time. GSO asks only to be kept in the loop and they continue looking forward to seeing the actions taken by the District and our Delegate.

Intergroup Report: Manny was absent. Jim reported that Daymark bought 540 Big Books at \$8 each for the largest sale. Also, Jim reported that a check for \$7,500 sent in memory of a woman's father was returned as he was not a member of AA. Reminding us that we are self-supporting by our own contributions.

Special Needs: Open

**Dist. 23 Archives:** Open Position

**OLD BUSINESS:** GSRs encouraged to report to their groups the following open positions: **Alt.** DCM, PI, Grapevine, Archivist. Sobriety and service requirements can be found on NC23.org.

**NEW BUSINESS:** A motion and second was passed unanimously to have \$100 transferred to the Website Committee to take care of the domain registration.

Jackie W., The Way Out asked about presenting the agenda items for the Area Assembly to her group. She was advised that the best way is to present them at a business meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 7:40 with the Responsibility Pledge.