

District 23 General Service Representative (GSR) Meeting – March 12, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by District Committee Member (DCM) Nancy H. Those in attendance opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer. The roll was called and the following groups were represented.

Back to Reality	Big Book No Smoke	College Hill	Daytime
Early Bird	Easy Does It	Friendship	Greene St
Cone Hospital	Intergroup	Iss Ans for Women	Lang Heart
Little Red Book	Late Night Group	No Smoke 12 & 12	Piedmont
Rule 62	Southwest	Summit Mens	The Way Out

Courage to Change

The minutes of the January 2009 meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer Report - was provided by Corrine C. The District 23 Balance Sheet, as of 03-09-09 showed a balance of \$3,502.00. The Treasurer Report was approved by the representatives in attendance.

Intergroup Report - was provided by Jim. Jim reported that as of 03/01/09, 74% of the groups had made contributions. This is a 12% decrease from this time last year. Jim encouraged the GSRs to ask their groups to please make their contributions ASAP.

Corrections Facilities Report - was provided by Maureen. Meetings at the women's jail have begun again with 5-10 people in attendance. The men's jail continues to be well attended. The Lexington facility and work farms continue to be well attended. There is a need for volunteers at all meetings; approval forms can be obtained on the website.

Treatment Facilities Report – was provided by Doug. Cone Behavioral Center has six meetings that continue to have good support. Bridgeway has two meetings a week and needs female speakers.

CPC/PI Report – was provided by Vickie. Area 51 chairperson has been requested to locate speakers by the UNCG Dean of Students. An AA 101 panel/speaker format has been suggested.

Special Events Report - was provided by John T. John reported that there is money available in his budget to host the Founder's Day picnic. The picnic will be held on June 7th at the Burmill Club Shelter #1. Volunteers will be needed to set up and help with the food preparation. Please spread the word about this event and ask attendees to bring a covered dish.

Grapevine Report – was provided by Mary Bryan S. The Grapevine is now available without staples so that correctional facilities can place orders. Audio Grapevines are also available. Please visit www.grapevine.org.

District 23 Website Report – was provided by Barbara. Barbara reported that the District 23 meeting minutes are being put on the website prior to the actual meetings in case anyone would like to review. Barbara handed out pictures of the planned addition of a Bulletin Board feature to the website. The website's browser has been enhanced to support the functionality required to make the Bulletin Board work properly. Links to Al-Anon and Al-Ateen have been requested for the website. There was a discussion regarding all of the changes but all decisions were postponed until the May meeting. Updates to the meeting schedule on the website will be made when the same changes are made to the printed meeting schedule.

DCM Report – was provided by Nancy H. Nancy reported that issues to be voted on at the next assembly were discussed in February. The next assembly will be held in Raleigh in May. In April, delegates will go to NY to vote on overall issues.

Old Business – was provided by Nancy H. The open position of Alternate DCM needs to be filled ASAP. The Alternate DCM will also fill the position of LCM for one the District 23 Zones. The position requires a minimum of 3 years of sobriety and the person will serve until the end of Nancy's term. Alex and Nate volunteered for the position but by the time a vote was taken the minimum number of voting members were not available.

New Business – Voting is required on the website changes from Barbara's report and the Alternate DCM position.

The next GSR meeting was scheduled for May 14, 2009 at 6:30 PM, Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Respectfully Submitted,
Betty L., District 23 Secretary