

## **District 12 Meeting Minutes**

**May, 16th, 2024**

Meeting was called to order at 6:30pm with the serenity prayer and introductions. Eighteen members were present.

### **GSR Reports**

GSR Reports were Suspended due to Delegate report

Concept Five was not presented due to Delegate report

### **Agenda Additions:**

No agenda additions

### **Officer's Report**

**DCM:** Rich G. (218) 343 2120 [richardgould4@gmail.com](mailto:richardgould4@gmail.com)

**Report:** Report was Suspended due to Delegate report

**Alternate DCM:** Addy R. (218) 260 0268 [ratliff.net@gmail.com](mailto:ratliff.net@gmail.com)

**Report:** Report was Suspended due to Delegate report

**Secretary:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Report:** Report was Suspended due to Delegate report

**Treasurer:** Terry A. (612) 910 4832 [theresa.ahlgren@yahoo.com](mailto:theresa.ahlgren@yahoo.com)

**Report:** Terry reported a beginning balance of \$6263.71. She reported total credits of \$843.17. Terry reported total debits of \$710.63. Ending balance was 6396.25. Less prudent reserve of \$1000.00, leaves a balance of \$5396.25 for service.

### **Committee Reports**

**Archivist:** Michelle J.  
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**Report:** Report was Suspended due to Delegate report

**Corrections:** Frank K.  
**Report:** Report was Suspended due to Delegate report

**DULYPAA:** Phil S.

**Report:** Report was Suspended due to Delegate report

**Intergroup:** Twin ports Intergroup (218) 727 8117

**Intergroup Representative:** Sharon S. (218) 724 1231

**Volunteer Coordinator:** Chris L. (715) 817 3580

**Report:** Report was Suspended due to Delegate report

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**Literature:** Scott A. (763) 228 0730

alhlgrenscott@yahoo.com

**Report:** Report was Suspended due to Delegate report

**PI/CPC:** Rich G. (218) 343 2120

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**Report:** Report was Suspended due to Delegate report

**Veterans Outreach:** Frank K.

**Report:** Report was Suspended due to Delegate report

**Treatment:** Open

**Report:** Report was Suspended due to Delegate report

**Webmaster:** Scott A. (763) 228 0730

**Report:** Report was Suspended due to Delegate report

**Church Liaison:** Ginny N.

**Report:** Report was Suspended due to Delegate report

### **Old Business**

Old Business was Suspended due to Delegate report

### **New Business**

New Business was Suspended due to Delegate report

## **Area 35 Delegate Report**

Area 35 Delegate Diane R. reported on her attendance at the 74th Annual General Service Conference (GSC).

### **Highlights of her report are as follows:**

Diane reported that at the beginning of the GSC, she was given 2 hours to view the Plain

Language version of the book, Alcoholics Anonymous to compare with the current 4th edition of the book Alcoholics Anonymous.

She discussed the poll addressing the writings of the cofounders of Alcoholics Anonymous. The feeling of Area 35 and the general fellowship of A.A. is that the cofounders would care deeply if their writings were changed. Every delegate was given 2 minutes to discuss during the GSC. The suggestion of having significant unanimity before changes were made, and waiting two years before enacting significant changes. the General Services Office (GSO) offered an apology for taking actions that changed language in the writings of the cofounders of A.A.

Diane reviewed current financial report for A.A.W.S. Some increase in budget due to increased salaries to paid workers in the GSO. Current projected budget for the G.S.O. 18 million dollars.

Diane discussed current Grapevine issues and financial difficulties of La Vina which in the Spanish version of the A.A. Grapevine. \$570,000 loss is projected for the AA Grapevine and La Vina. Diane showed a diagram of projected expenses for the G.S.O.

Currently, G.S.O. is caught up on their bills; however, they have had to utilize their prudent reserve. Some discussion of the G.S.O being cut off by groups who disapproved of their not listening to the fellowship addressed some concerns. Currently the G.S.O. has a 6-month running cost prudent reserve which is less than usual. (As a side note; at the end of 2023, G.S.O. appealed for support from the general fellowship of A.A. District Treasurer reported that 33 million dollars were donated by members groups to the G.S.O. in response)

The Plain Language Translated, now known as the Plain Language Rewrite of the book Alcoholics Anonymous was discussed thoroughly with those present disagreeing with the rewrite unanimously.

Diane reported proposed changes in other literature and public service announcements (PSA).

### **Closing**

District meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm with the responsibility statement.