

District 22 Business Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 10, 2024, 7:00PM
Vista Lutheran Church and Zoom

Open with a Moment of Silence followed by the Serenity Prayer

Introductions from Attendee's

Jared DCM, Elizabeth A. – GSR IMHBW, Matt D. – GSR Practical Experience, Angelique - Secretary, Mike H – GSR Rock Solid, Kim - GSR 7 Hi, Bob D – GSR Forward 19, Mitch -GSR Suddenly the Thought, Kelly - GSR Life is Good, Mark - Intergroup, Mike – GSR Basic 12, Jim V - Website, Steve M - GSR Tradition 5, Jack - Treasure, Erik H – GSR Thursday Night Happy Hour, Debbie – GSR Zoom senior meeting in Minnetonka, Kari – GSR Sierra club Sunday 10am.

Approve previous month's meeting. Motion Bob, Second Jim. All in favor.

Officer Reports

- Secretary – Angelique P – Nothing new
- Treasurer – Jack B – Dec we have a lot to spend. Budget for 2024 reviewed and will update for next month. Changing reimbursement from .35 to .67 per miles.
- Alt. DCM – Open
- DCM – Jared H – Not a ton. Alt DCM position is open. Last month – area committee meeting. This year a motion was put forth but not passed change to hybrid for Area Assembly. They will ONLY be in person 2024.
- Announcements –
 - Accessibilities – OPEN -
 - Archives – Kyle – Nothing new
 - CPC – Open
 - Corrections – Kim – Reached out to the area chair. Started calling police departments. Made connections with Golden Valley and Saint Louis Park– they don't hold prisoners but would like 5 big books each for people coming in for DWI.
 - Finance – Open
 - Grapevine – Bob – Area Assembly – District 15 and area 36 workshop on March 16th. Steve won the grapevine.
 - Registrar – Angelique – nothing new
 - Literature – Kyle A – nothing new
 - Newsletter – Bob – nothing new
 - Public Information – OPEN -
 - Treatment Facilities – OPEN -
 - Website- Jim V – Button on the home page to open up the zoom meeting.

Positions:

Alt DCM, Accessibility, CPC, Corrections, Public Information, Treatment, Finance are open.

Intergroup Liaison – Mark S –

Founders day suite was well frequented.

Record numbers of people came to the Open House.

Corrections – Gaile spent a lot of time with corrections. They are going to send out contact information for correctional facilities. Intergroup address can be used for Temporary Contact through incarcerated. If they get to an AA group, they have an astronomical more likelihood of being successful. Corrections@area36.org

Old Business:

Motion: District 22 donate \$2000 to GSO. Bob Motion, Matt Second. All in favor, no one opposed.

Reviewed GSO request for feedback on change the 164 pages of the big book. Seek input from fellowship – how would the fellowship feel about changes to the first 164 and 12 steps and 12 traditions.

(Jared is bringing back our feedback– a chunk of people are for changes but the majority are against changes to the 12x12 and first 164.

Discussion included:

Groups spilt feedback.

Big Book is translated into several languages.

If we start making changes we can no longer say “this was written in 1934, this was appropriate to the time.” We would now have to defend our text including the changes.

We have a simple/plain language big book in the works.

Preface states is has been largely untouched.

Not changing is another barrier to sobriety with some of this language.

This is an old tradition to pass the message along including the issues around the book. The message is special in the way it was written.

New Business:

Events and Announcements

RUSC – January 19th -21st Burnsville

Only area event that business is not discussed. Weekend with speakers and panels sharing on topics and open mic to ask questions.

Need volunteers – a couple dozen. Send volunteer to Jared or www.area36.org

TLST – www.area36.org or distict22mn.com website. General Service structure and district committee chair.
Zoom only Feb 3 9-1:00

Area Committee Meeting - 17 February

April 6th Gratitude Night

GSR Sharing Session –

Anniversaries –

It might have been Worse 15th Year Anniversary January 17 Potluck 6:00 – meeting 7:00

Distiny Hill Church

Close with Responsibility Statement