

## District 6 Meeting Minutes May 7, 2023

Hosted by Tri-Cities Alano Club

419 Fulton Grand Haven, MI

Meeting opened with Serenity Prayer 1:33 PM.

- Introductions of those in attendance: Evan, Russ, JoAnn, Jim, Lonnie, Sharon, Jonny, Jason, Sue, Judy, Judy, Michelle
- Traditions & Concepts 5 & 6 read by Judy & Russ
- Minutes of March 12, 2023 read by Sharon. Motion to accept, 2nd and approved.
- Treasurer's report of 3/12/23 - 5/6/23 read by Russ. Motion to accept, 2nd and approved.

### Announcements

- Northern Michigan Spring Roundup 5/19/23-5/21/23 @ Ramada by Wyndham in Grayling
- Michigan State Conference 8/11/23-8/13/23 in Mount Pleasant
- Fresh Coast new AA meeting, 1128 Roberts, Mondays @ Noon
- Maytag AA meeting, 480 152nd Ave Holland, Mondays & Fridays @ 7:30 PM
- East End AA outdoor meeting, Wesley Park on Marquette, Fridays @ 7 PM for summer
- Big Book Study meeting, First Presbyterian Church 2577 Wickham, Fridays @ 7 PM
- Tri-Cities summer picnic, Rycenga Park, August 19
- East End summer picnic, August 12 or 26
- Tri-Cities Gratitude Dinner, October 14

### Group Concerns

- Jim reported White Lake group had issues with meeting attendance, which is increasing. White Lake also had issues with people being rude, that is resolving itself. Also reported there was an issue with someone playing loud music in the parking lot prior to meetings. It was suggested someone could talk to them and ask them to turn it down, remind them about use of the space, also a general announcement could be made at any meetings.

### Area 34 Report

- Jim H went to the General Service Conference in New York recently. He will have information to present at our annual summer district picnic. Also there was recently an issue with a member of the board resigning, others stepped in to fill the vacancy, Jim can provide more information on that if/as needed.

### District Committee Member (DCM) Reports

- North/Central/South - nothing to report

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- Archives - nothing to report
- Corrections - Jason reports that all jail/prison meetings are going ok. Big Books for these meetings are on backorder.
- Grapevine - Jonny reports that all is ok. He was informed of the budget and can get a subscription to the Grapevine.
- PI/CPC - Judy recently handed out some information at Healthwest and Every Woman's Place. She is getting schedules to hand out at detox centers or rehab offices.

- Schedules - Jim handed out updated schedules. There is a phone app on the schedules. If there are any changes to be made to schedules, please let Jim know and he will pass along the information to Sue/Gary for the website.
- Webmaster - Sue H reports that the site had about 2200 unique visitors in the past month. Maytag group in Holland information recently added to our website. She will make a few updates for the new meetings we are hearing of at this meeting.
- Telephone Service - nothing to report
- Workshops - Dan D stepped down from this position.

#### General Service Representatives (GSR) Reports

- GMAC Grumpy Old Men & Sunday Breakfast/Russ-attendance increasing
- GH Women Enjoying Sobriety Today/Sue-nothing to report
- GH Tri Cities Eyeopener/JoAnn-attendance strong, a lot of new people
- Holton Library/Jim-good attendance
- White Lake/Michelle-attendance on the upswing
- East End/Jonny-attendance increasing, all is well
- Giles Road Fellowship/Evan-all is well, successful men's breakfast

#### Old Business

- District Workshop-Dan stepped down from position, Lonnie stepped up.
- Open Positions-Lonnie P was nominated & accepted District Central position, Michelle T was nominated & accepted District South position. Potential to have a service positions workshop in October, would be good to hold before November elections.
- District is offering 4 ECRF Scholarships, East Central Regional Forum to be held in Independence, Ohio 11/17/23-11/19/23. We can select 4 people at the July meeting.
- Delegate Report-Jim provided weekends he is available for the summer picnic coinciding with the delegates report. Some groups may want to donate to this, send the donation to the district treasurer, earmarked for this event. GMAC Still Sober @ Six group is willing to host the event. A date will be selected and Sharon will create a flier. Location should include power, bathrooms, shelter, tables, grills. Evan has a PA system

#### New Business

- Sharing Session: Group service structure/trusted servants(AA Group pamphlet pg 19). Russ said that the pamphlet ideals are not strictly adhered to. Sharon spoke about SS@S chairperson, secretary and treasurer positions for that group. Michelle said most groups aren't aware of the service structure. Jonny said in Washington state where he is from, they emphasize SERVICE. Jim says the Monday after the district meeting, he brings information back to his group, to share what is discussed at the district level.
- Meeting in a Pocket (small book) District could order 100 at a time for \$1 each, but it isn't necessary. (That is the rate for that quantity.) Each group can make their own decision, buy or not, if wanted.

#### Close with the Responsibility Statement

I am responsible...When anyone, anywhere reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there, and for that, I am Responsible.

Meeting adjourned at 3:31PM

Next meeting at Holton Library 7/9/23 @ 1:30 PM