

Monthly Meeting Minutes District 11 February 3rd, 2022

Location: Online via Zoom

Meeting time: 7:00 p.m.

Attendance: 25

Committee members: 13

Groups represented: 14

Guests: 1

Read Twelve Traditions: Naté

Read Concept of the Month: Ryan E.

New GSRs or Alt. GSRs present: Roy C - Burton's Bridge, Bill R - Huntley

New attendees present: 2

Anniversaries: Mike G has 7 years!!!

OFFICERS' REPORTS

DCM Report: Isidro B. - DCM

- **12 concepts stuff on the 3rd Thursday of the month via Zoom. 7:30pm ID: 970 0499 1067, PW: 639187**
- "I hope everyone is doing well. It hasn't been a very busy month, but I am sure with the Spring Assembly (March 12th), the Pre-General Service Conference Workshop (April 9th), and General Service Conference (April 24th-30th) right around the corner, the activity is sure to pick-up quick.
- I attended the NIA 20 Winter Committee Meeting on Saturday, January 8th. It was great to see so many of you in attendance. Erik L., our alternate delegate put together an excellent service workshop centered around the roles of the GSR and DCM. He and the two other panelists shared some great experience that I will definitely take with me. If you would like a copy of the presentation Erik shared with us, please email me and I will make sure to send you a copy.
- Planning committees have formed for the 2022 NIA 20 Big Book Conference (initiated by members of the area committee) and 2023 Spring Conference/Assembly (hosted by Districts 22 & 23). If you have any interest in participating in the planning of either of these two events, please email me and I will get you in contact with someone on either committee.
- As DCM, I am a part of the Northern Illinois Area (NIA) 20 Committee. Because of this, DCMs are encouraged to participate in one of the many area committees. Last week, I was appointed by Rob M. the Area 20 Chair to serve a one-year term on the Finance Committee and have accepted the invitation to serve. The Finance Committee monitors and reports on the Area 20 Primary Purpose Register activities throughout the year (the annual budget for services performed by the area). The Finance Committee is comprised of the Area Treasurer, Alternate Area Treasurer, three D.C.M.s, and a non-voting Past Delegate or other A.A. member with experience. I am very excited about this opportunity and believe this will be a great avenue for me to dive into area service.
- I was very happy to hear that so many people were interest in a Concept Study hosted by District 11. As a result of the positive feedback, I am very excited to announce that District 11 will be hosting the Legacy of Service Concept Study at 7:30pm the 3rd Thursday of every month starting February 17th. This study will be held virtually for now, and we'll see if that changes as time passes. I am looking forward to studying the 12 Concepts for World Service with you, and I encourage any and all who are interested to attend.
- Finally, remember to mention to your groups that there are still many open positions on the District 11 Committee. The current open positions can be found on our agenda, district website, meeting minutes, or through your General Service Representative. For

past minutes, financial reports, district literature, and to learn where a group can send their contributions, please visit our website www.aa-nia-dist11.org."

Alt DCM Report: OPEN- Alt. DCM

- NA

Secretary's Report: Mike M. - Secretary, OPEN - Alt. Secretary

- Motion to accept. December Minutes. Mike N seconds.
- Motion to accept, January minutes. Keith seconds.

****Motion to accept with changes: _____ , 2nd _____**

Please send written committee reports to the secretary to be submitted in minutes.

Email: secretary@aa-nia-dist11.org

Treasurer's Report: Clint K. - Treasurer, Keith B. - Alt. Treasurer

- Available Funds, minus \$4000 prudent reserve: \$2,666.40
- Income from Individual Groups: \$1,512.07
- Expenses incurred: \$327.85
- Any questions:
 - Is there a Motion to accept the January 2022 Treasurer's Report?
 - Discussion of approval process for expense reimbursement.
- 1 bill for answering service.

Holly: We normally send excess funds up the stream. We have 2600 + just sitting.

Holly motions \$500 to area, \$ 500 to NY. Tina Seconds.

Sid: Carry on to new business.

Clint: I will recapture and make sure the chair or alternate signs off on the expense report.

Tina says nuh uh, this is Robert's Rules.

Sid says to bring it up in New Business.

Holly rescinds motion. Tina rescinds Second.

Keith:

- "Over half of January's tradition Seven contributions included complete information to properly credit your groups. If you have the preprinted district envelope, please fill that out as best you can. If you don't have the envelope, a PDF contribution form is available on the District 11 website under "Contributions and Forms". Or ~ you can put a note in with the check with the meeting name, day and location. Thank you."
- Or, just put a note saying your name and maybe your group #, where and when it meets, in the envelope. So your group can get credit for its contribution.

****Motion to Accept Report: _____, 2nd- __Georgene_____**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Accessibility Report: OPEN. - Chair, OPEN- Alt. Chair

- NA

Answering Service Report: Mike N. - Chair, OPEN - Alt. Chair

- 28 total calls were received.
- 27 calls were forwarded. Thank you to all that responded.
- 1 call was not forwarded.
- 1 call was for AIAnon and forwarded accordingly.
- Thank you again to our stand-by/go-to volunteers!

- All call volunteer positions are filled. We will gladly accept names for future openings. If you know someone interested in service work, this is an excellent place to help out. Please feel free to have them contact me. We prefer one year of sobriety and have worked the steps with a sponsor.

Archives Report: Rich H. - Chair

- “Our Annual District 11 Old Timers Brunch is Sunday February 20 at The Wauconda American Legion Hall. Doors open at 9:00AM. Brunch from 9:30 – 11:00. Speakers start at 11:00AM. Contribution of \$6.00. Speakers are Tracy D. and Garrett B. Thank You to Past DCM Kate for making our flyer. That flyer and event info can be found on the District 11 and Area 20 Websites. Clarence gave me 5 bins of all our Archived Material except for the Display Items. Which he will display at the Old Timers Brunch. I will take them home from there.”
- **Posting Old Timers Brunch Flyer. Sunday 9am, 9:30-11. Speakers start at 11a. \$6.**
- **Clarence gave me 5 bins of things. And i'll get all the display items from him at the old timers brunch.**
- **It's on Main st, 2 blocks south of rt 176.**
Tina: 515 south Main.
- **Rich: our flyer is on the area and district website.**

CPC Report: Ryan - Chair, Todd K. - Alt. Chair

- **As of 2/2/2022 I have finished half of the CPC workbook found on aa.org and plan to have it finished by the end of the month along with some other material that is suggested in the workbook. I have begun to form a committee and currently have one member and recognize I now have an alternate to work with as well. The plan is to first finish the literature, then form a full committee, followed by a list of a sub-set of professionals/local business's to begin carrying the AA message to as per suggested in the workbook. Also, to have down each city/township district 11 is responsible for reaching to draw our boundaries. We hope to have made our first presentation by the next district meeting.**
- **Thank you for allowing me to be of service, Ryan Endler CPC**

Corrections Report: Steve K. - Chair, Michelle D. - Alt. Chair

- **No Report.**

GSR Orientation Chair Report: Emily P - Chair

- I won't be at the district meeting tonight but here is my report!
- I had several awesome phone calls with new/newer GSRs in our district. Thanks so much to those GSRs that reached out. If anyone else is confused, needs assistance, or just wants to chat about what the heck general service is all about, we can schedule a phone call (847) 691-1540 or email me at e.berg01788@gmail.com. The end.
- xoxo

Grapevine Report: OPEN - Chair, OPEN - Alt. Chair

- **NA**

Literature: OPEN - Chair, OPEN - Alt. Chair

- **NA**

LCM Report: Holly G.

- **I have 1 person on my committee. I invite all GSRs to go to your home group and find participants for the LCM committee, go to in district meetings and tell them how we do. In an effort to help us ALL get connected.**

Public Information Report: Courtney J - Chair, Georgene R. - Alt Chair

- We have compiled a committee of 6 other members including myself and Georgene (PI cochair)
- Dropped off business cards at Richmond town hall and Spring Grove fire station.
- Distributed pamphlets to Burning Desire Group of Harvard
- Distributed pamphlets to Sober Sisters Study Tribe in Johnsbury.
- Distributed pamphlets and business cards with the Specialty Courts (mental health, drug, and DUI court programs) in Woodstock.
- Dropped off schedules to Mchenry Alano Club
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- Need more schedules
- Need big books to distribute to specialty court programs.

Sid: Reach out to Naté and Clint (Treasurer) we do have a budget for this.

- Georgene: alt pi, been communicating with Courtney, I've been out of town for a bit, and Courtney's doing an awesome job!, 'sall I got!

Schedule Maker: Naté S.

- "We have distributed the remaining schedules from the Nov 2021 printing. Please review the current schedule and let us know if you have any changes by 2/18/22. We will be modifying the current schedule to make the font for the meetings larger. We will be making the changes we have in already and will reprint 2,500 in Feb 2022. Once we have them printed, I would like help disseminating."
- **We ordered 1000 schedules in Nov 2021. We distributed them. We're gonna do some things. We received some changes so we'll need to update those records. And I'll modify the formatting to make it easier to read. The plan is to print 2500 new schedules during February. If you have any changes, please let me know.**
- **Everyone, please check your information regarding your group and get changes to me. I'll get started over the next 2 weeks.**
- **It's been challenging to disseminate these forms, you know, back alley deals. It's a little shady.**
- **I got out to Harvard, but that's not too sketchy. I want to go to more sketchy places.**
- **I could use some help getting the schedules out to more places.**

Sid: I could help and I think there's a few of us here that could help.

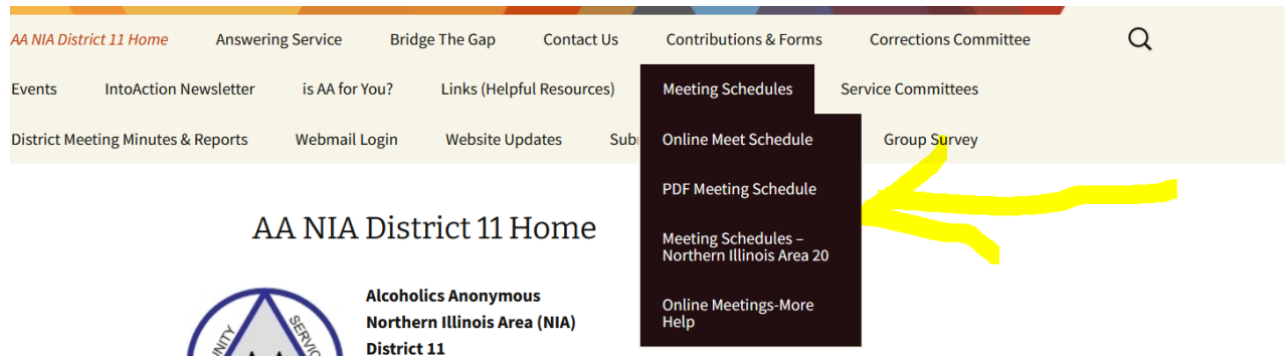
- **Updates and submissions should be submitted soon. Get them to me by the 14th [Valentines Day. yes i said Valentines].**
- **Sid: Let's pick the 18th. Please**

Hospital & Treatment Setting Report: Maureen O. - Chair, OPEN- Alt Chair

- **Not present, but sent an email.**
- "I understand this is a late report, however, I just received a request from Northwestern Medicine in Woodstock for a case of big books and AA schedules for their mental health unit, for ridge the Gap. This is separate from the outpatient treatment unit. Thank you so much and thank you for your service."

Webmaster: Harry - Chair, Kate - Alt. Chair

- "We are currently adding, updating, and removing meetings in the Meeting Guide. I have determined that we are now able to dump a pdf file of meetings from Meeting Guide. I have done so (see attached) and have also created a link in the main navigation menu on the website to access this file (see image below). Old Timers Brunch added to events. Also, all updates have been completed for the upgrade to the newest version of PHP."



Kate: our cross training will happen on the 8th of february! [I'm a rock star!]

Workshop: - OPEN Chair, OPEN - Alt. Chair

- NA

GSR Reports:

- Tina, (GSR), this saturday Woodstock alano club is hosting a watch party to watch Dr Bob's eulogy.

Old Business:

- Let's look at open positions. Can vote: Committee members and GSR's, and only alternates if their GSR is not present.
- Alt DCM, nominations? none.
- Alt Secretary, nominations? none.
- Accessibilities chair, nominations? none.
- Alt Accessibilities chair, nominations? none.
- Alt answering service chair, nominations? none.
- Grapevine Chair, nominations? none.
- Alt Grapevine Chair , nominations? None.
- LCM to join the committee? None, but get in contact with Holly LCM.
- Literature, nominations? none.
- Alt Literature, nominations? None.
- Alt Treatment settings Chair, nominations? none.
- Workshop chair, nominations? None.
- Alt Workshop Chair, nominations? None.

Sid: Please let your groups know that we're looking to fill these service positions.

New Business:

- Holly: Motion to send \$500 to Area, and \$ 500 to NY.
- Tina Seconds the motion.
- No discussion. Vote! 18, motion carries.

Big Book Conference Planning Report:

- NA

Open Mic:

- Keith: I'm your previous literature chair, all GSR's, I have plenty of newcomer packets, stuffed [like a turkey]. If your meeting is in need, let me know, we'll meet up and get those to you. District has generously provided the funds to put them together.

- Todd: it would be great to combine those with the meeting list distribution. It would be a one stop shop for aa resources. Scheduler maker + newcomer packets!
- Mike G, soberfest chair, I'm updating the district that we're meeting, we picked a logo last night, and we'll be updating our website. The Grand is not accepting room reservations yet, but we're working on it. Check out soberfest.org for a list of available positions if you're looking to be of service!
- Jake R. I have a question, Area was having a shortage of districts availability to host committee meetings and assembly.
- Sid: I'll check with Area chairs to see if we'd be interested. I'll bring it up at the March Meeting.
- Sid: ISCYPAA is happening Feb 11th - 13th at the Sheraton Lisle in Naperville.
- Sid: Concepts meeting on the 17th.

Meeting Closed at: __8:07__p.m. Georgene seconds.

The next District Meeting is _Thursday March 3rd, 2022_th at 7:00pm via Zoom:

Zoom Meeting ID: 959 6776 4900

Passcode: District11