

Monthly Meeting Minutes
District 11
February 4, 2016

Location: First Congregation Church
421 Pierson St, Crystal Lake

Meeting time: 7:30pm

Attendance: 26

Committee members: 9

Groups represented: 13

Guests/Alt GSRs: 4

New GSRs present: 0

Anniversaries: Cat 3 yrs. & MyKenzie 6 mo.

Officers Reports:

Secretary's Report: Mary C. Secretary, Jenny F. Alt Secretary

Motion made to accept minutes, seconded. Motion to accept minutes passed.

Please send written committee reports to secretary to be submitted into minutes.

Email: secretary@aa-nia-dist11.org

DCM Report: Laura M. DCM, Kelly B. Alt DCM

In January 2016 I attended 2016 Winter Committee Meeting held at the Lord of Light Church in La Fox, IL

No significant business was conducted during this meeting. However, the delegate's report was read by the new delegate and the orientation workshop was conducted.

During the orientation workshop several of the committee chairs presented on their areas of interest.

One presenter, Ray M. the Area Archivist, presented some significant information about how the groups, districts and areas conduct business, both today and in the past. This information was both interesting and entertaining and I asked Ray if he would attend the district meeting in April and present. He agreed and I hope to see him present 10 minutes of his material at our April meeting.

Additionally, during the month of January I was appointed to serve on the Area Operating committee for 1 year.

I encourage anyone interested in finding out more about how our Area functions to attend the assemblies and committee meetings.

Thank you for your service,
Respectfully submitted,
Laura M

Treasurer Report: Carol H. Treasurer, OPEN. Alt Treasurer

NIA 20 DISTRICT 11 TREASURER'S REPORT
January 7, 2016

December 2015

Revenue			
	Donations	\$623.88	
	Net Income		623.88
Expenses			
	Answering Service: Answercall 24	\$185.00	
	District: USPS (PO Box)	\$130.00	
	Schedules: Biller Press	\$799.00	
	Total Expenses		1,114.00
	Net Operating Income		(490.14)
Cash on Hand			
	Beginning Balance Bank Statement 12/01/15		5,883.28
	Income		2,302.71
	Expense		(212.00)
	Ending Balance Bank Statement 12/31/15		7,973.99
	Less Prudent Reserve		(6,000.00)
	Cash Position (end of month)		1,973.99
Detail			
Group Number:	Group Name:	Town Name:	
675712	Attitude Adjustment	Crystal Lake	\$72.60
695505	A Vision for You	Cary	\$50.00
659768	McHenry's Soberfest	McHenry	\$322.26
679444	Faith's Way Group	Huntley	\$50.00
675712	Attitude Adjustment	Crystal Lake	\$129.00
	Total Donations		623.88

Committee Reports:

Answering Service Report: Dale H. Chair, Dan M. Alt Chair

I am currently going through the volunteer list. I'm making calls and rearranging the schedule. I will be sending a report. Anyone can volunteer for the answering service, they just need a phone.

Archives Report: Clarence J. Chair

The Old Timers Brunch is coming up.

CPC Report: Nikki O. Chair, Mitch P. Alt Chair

Report not submitted.

Corrections Report: John B. Chair, Cat Mc Alt Chair

The men could use some volunteers and the women, also, could use volunteers. They did purchase big books for the jail. If you are volunteering they will need your name, number, and email address. They have a liaison with the sheriff's dept. and have no control of if and when they will contact you back in regards to the jail meetings.

Grapevine Report: Erika O. Chair, OPEN Alt

Literature: Bob M. Chair, OPEN Alt Chair

Hospital & Treatment Report: Tina M. & Bob M. (Absent) Chair, OPEN Alt

LCM Report: Mary F.

I am recovering well from my broken hip and I am following doctor's guidelines to proceed slowly. I have no idea when I will be able to walk into any meeting. I am restricted to a wheelchair for the time being.

I am keeping in contact with our new people. It is wonderful to hear of all of the new people we have working together now.

If I can be of service to anyone do not hesitate to call.

I will start preparing for the next time we will be updating the meeting schedule.

Thank you for the beautiful plant and all the prayers.

Newsletter Report: Rand W. Chair

In the process of trying to recruit a committee and find a program to use for the Newsletter. He is requesting a laptop to use for the newsletter. Laura recommended that he create a proposal justifying the purchase of a laptop for the committee.

Public Information Report: Emily B. Chair, Sid B. Alt Chair

Sid and I are making a spreadsheet of all the Police Stations, Courthouses, Libraries, Hospitals, Treatment Centers, Churches, Middle Schools, High Schools, Colleges, Hotels, Motels, and Bed & Breakfasts in each town in District 11. The spreadsheet includes the addresses and phone numbers of each location. We are also looking into making District 11 business cards, with information regarding how to get in contact with AA in our district.

Schedules Report: Esther M. Chair (Absent), OPEN Alt

Not in attendance.

Special Needs Report: OPEN Chair, OPEN Alt Chair

Webmaster: Sean T. Chair, OPEN Alt

- 1. Website Updates:** Added several events. If anyone has AA related events to post please send them to me thru webmaster@aa-nia-dist11.org. Adobe PDF, Word Doc, or even picture JPG of a flyer helps, but is not required – all that's needed is the basic info so it can be added to the

event calendar – day/time, where it is and what it is.– who, what, when, where, how and why.

Also note the guidelines are on the website (mostly common sense, protect anonymity no last names, phone numbers are allowed, no gambling references (50/50 and such, but non-cash prize raffles ok).

I communicated with Area 20 Webmaster about posting link to their website events page in case I don't add all events directly on our page. He was ok with that and said it was not a problem per guidelines of Area website. Obviously, not wanting to use our site as a portal to find other sites, but I feel it will make our events page more complete and useful.

2. District email updates:

- a. Re-uploaded the GSR/Chair contact lists that got “lost” after an automatic update or some other change that was not in our control.
- b. Updated contact information and chairperson information for new volunteers – some additional info still needing update as I did not have all contact information of new Chairs.

3. **Website business cards:** I created business cards to help people correctly identify the district website (handed out at meeting). These were really created for my own use to give out at meetings when I mention the website to others. It's not intended to promote AA, but for those already in AA or asking how to find AA (Attraction not promotion). I did them on my own computer/printer. The cards have been well received by those I've given them to - if more are needed I can print some, but it would be best done through a professional printer for higher volume and quality.

Workshop Report: OPEN Chair, OPEN Alt

GSR Report:

Jackie: The theme for Sober Fest is Experience, Strength, and Hope The fundraiser flyer will be sent to Sean to be added to the website. I committee position is still open and waiting to be filled. The fundraiser is next Wed, Feb. 10 at Johnsburg Hall.

Barry: The Winners and Beginners Anniversary Party will be May 14, doors open at 5 and dinner begins at 5:30. Laurie H. from Oak Lawn will be the speaker.

Old Business:

District Prudent Reserve – The discussion concerning the prudent reserved continued. It was recommended that anything over \$6000 be donated to the area or GSO. A suggestion was also made that we look at what our donations were last year. It was also suggested that we create a cash flow projection so that we know what the in and out flow are. The DCM decided that we need more information and a history of our cash flow over the past 5 years or as far back as we can. The discussion was tabled for next month.

2016 State Conference

Open Positions

New Business:

Purchase of scanner for the district (Mary C.) – Need price vs. outsourcing with labor included. Where will the data being scanned be stored? Will it be on a laptop or flash drive backup. There would be an expense for storing it online. A concern would be storage location security. Need more information. Motion tabled until March.

Printing the Agenda and Minutes (Laura M.)

Open Mike:

Included a variety of meetings that need our support

The next district meeting is Thursday March 3, 2015 at 7:30pm at First Congregation Church, Crystal Lake.