

Monthly Meeting Minutes
District 11
November 5, 2015

Location: First Congregation Church
421 Pierson St, Crystal Lake

Meeting time: 7:30pm

Attendance: 37

Committee members: 11

Groups represented: 19

Guests/Alt GSRs: 7

New GSRs present: 0

Anniversaries: Randy W celebrated 21 yrs., Sean T celebrated 14 yrs.

Officers Reports:

Secretary's Report: Kelly B. Secretary, Mary C. 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: Carol H. DCM, OPEN Alt DCM

Since our last meeting on October 1, 2015 I attended the Fall Committee Meeting on October 17th and the 22nd NIA Big Book Conference on October 24th which was hosted by District 21. This is a yearly event that rotates from one district in NIA 20 to another and what a great day. There were great speakers and panel which included a panel with representatives from District 11 who really represented us well. Rich H. and Emily provided some compelling stories while sharing their experience on the chapter in the Big Book, "We Agnostics". Dave C. was the panel moderator and Holly G. from the Design for Living also shared a portion of the chapter and how she related to it. There were many laughs and feeling of love that we the audience experienced after listening to these stories and we thank our members for their participation.

At the Fall Committee Meeting we discussed two motions to be votes on at the Winter Assembly on December 12th at the Lord of Life Church, La Fox, 60119 is located at the southeast corner of IL Rt. 38 & La Fox Rd., 3 ½ miles west of Randall Rd. and 3 ½ miles east of IL Rt. 47. Registration starts at 8:00 am, and meeting at 9:00 am, we hope that tall the GSR's and committee chairs and alternates will attend. The two motions that we will be voting on are as follows:

1. Bridging the Gap Committee Motion:

Motion:

To have Cheryl V., our current Area 20 Panel 64 Delegate, submit this motion to the General Service Office- Conference Coordinator and to the staff at the desks of Treatment/Special Needs and Accessibilities, Corrections and Literature, prior to the December 15, 2015 deadline, to revise the pamphlet P-49 (Bridging the Gap) and add this item to the 2016 General Service Conference Agenda. This pamphlet currently addresses Bridging the Gap only in terms of Treatment Facilities. The desired revisions would be to update this pamphlet to sufficiently encompass all areas where this activity may occur and to include "Treatment Facilities, Correctional Facilities and Institutions" where Bridging the Gap may apply.

2. Corrections Committee Motion:

Motion

The Corrections Committee moves to allocate funds from the NIA 20 treasury to provide needed literature to SIA 21. This literature will be used by the SIA 21 Corrections Committee. The literature will go to Jails, Prisons, and Penitentiaries that they currently take meetings into.

Item #	Activity	Description, expected outcome and execution guidelines	Example expenses	Reimbursement Guidelines	Projected cost
Unsure	Provide Literature for SIA 20 Corrections Committee	25 – Cases of Soft Cover Big Books 25 – Cases of Inmate to Inmate 4 – Cases of Spanish Soft Cover Big Books	NIA 20 Corrections Committee will order the literature and have NIA 20 Treasurer pay for the order	Reimbursement authority: NIA 20 Treasurer upon approval from the NIA 20 Assembly	\$ 5,529.40

The 2016 State Conference Planning Committee held our last meeting on October 11th at the Lake Zurich Police Department which is where it is held the second Sunday of the month. Although our next meeting will be held at Pheasant Run Resort, the location for the conference next year and will give everyone an opportunity to look at the space available to plan events, hospitality and registration etc. as well as ask any questions related to each committee. We will also be looking at examples of the flyer to decide which one will be used of the ones submitted.

Tonight we will be voting on whether to accept the job descriptions that have been distributed for the past couple months and also the 2016 budget. We hope to use the job description to assist with our election of 2016-2017 officers and committees at our December meeting. Please let us know of any corrections or suggested additions as we move along with using these in the future.

Treasurer Report: Pat C. Treasurer, OPEN. Alt Treasurer

OCTOBER 2015 CONTRIBUTIONS

GROUP	NAME	TOWN	AMOUNT
District 11	September Contributions		33.00
District 11	October Contributions		42.16
563924	Men's Big Book	Wanderer	30.00
176778	Women's Broad Highway Group	Woodstock	50.00
	Beast Boys	Lake in the Hills	66.00
678873	Wednesday Night Point	Crystal Lake	420.00
695505	Vision for You	Cary	50.00
675712	Attitude Adjustment Dawn Patrol	Crystal Lake	159.00
132066	Tuesday Night Big Book	Wonder Lake	40.00
610497	Winners and Beginners	Wauconda	249.00
882668	Thursday Women's Big Book	Crystal Lake	285.00
135243	Sunday Night Beginners	McHenry	150.00
104625	Men's Fellowship Group	Crystal Lake	150.00
		TOTAL	1724.16
EXPENSES			
Schedules	514.00		
Corrections	513.00	Big Books	
Literature	37.38	Pamphlets	
Special Needs	66.00	Big Books	
Treatment	36.00	Pamphlets	
Service charge	12.00	Treasurer	
Answering Service	185.00		
TOTAL	1363.38		
CASH POSITION			
Bank Balance	October 31, 2015		8001.65
Add Outstanding Deposit			1724.16
			9725.81
Less Outstanding Checks		(1027.00)	
			8698.81

Less Prudent Reserve (6000.00)
CASH POSITION NOVEMBER 2, 2015 2698.81

Note (1) Bookkeeping error in September #125619 check was 180.00, not 100.00. Bank correction made in September. (2) service charge for error charge in October, will be reversed in November at Treasurer's request!

Committee Reports:

Answering Service Report: Dave G. Chair, Bill B. Alt Chair

Good Day Everyone,

The month of October we had 58 total calls which included 24 Meeting Info; 13 First time caller wanting to speak to a volunteer; 1 Nursing students wanting info on opening meeting times; 5 hang up calls and one Spanish. We had four days with zero calls. We are still getting sign-ups for local response calls. Please keep circulating the sign*up sheets. Thanks. We received 4 notices of no one at certain meetings which have be forwarded to Mary, one of our Local Committee Members (LCM)

MEETING TYPES

Meeting Information-24
Open Meeting Information-2
Reading Mat. Search-0
Speak AA Member-13
Referred Another Dist-3
Speak to NA-0
Alano Club WAC;MAC;HAC-3
Al-Anon-2
NO One at Mtg. CLAC 8pmSat-1
11 Hour Class Info-0
Shopaholic Info-0
Spanish Speaking-1
Student Nurse-1
Hang Up/Will Call Back-5

Web-site-3

Where send Contributions-0

Needs Ride-0

TOTAL CALLS-58

Call Response Times

0-10 Minutes - 51
11-20 Minutes - 6
21-30 Minutes - 0
Over 30 Minutes - 1
TOTAL CALLS 58

Calls Per Day

Monday Day-14
Monday Night-0
Tuesday Day-6
Tuesday Night-1
Wednesday Day-7
Wednesday Night-3
Thursday Day-8
Thursday Night-t0
Friday Day-7
Friday Nigh-t0
Saturday Day-5
Saturday Night-3
Sunday Day-4
Sunday Night-0

TOTAL 58

Archives Report: Clarence J. Chair

Old Timers Brunch is Feb. 21st at American Legion Hall, Wauconda. Doors open at 9:00am and a \$6.00 donation suggested. Brunch is 9:30am-11:00am; speakers start at 11:00am (speakers to T.B.A.). Flyers to be distributed next Month. Requesting \$800.00 seed money.

Corrections Report: Bob D. Chair, Cheryl B. Alt Chair (Absent)

The jail needs volunteers of men and women. Please make announcements at meetings. The budget has almost been spent for the year. There are 2 cases of English books and plenty of Spanish.

CPC Report: Nikki O. Chair, OPEN Alt Chair

I finally received information about CPC from GSO. I have one volunteer and we are on our way to doing something.

Grapevine Report: OPEN Chair, OPEN Alt

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

No report

Literature: Bob M. Chair, OPEN Alt Chair

Reminder: Ask group members if they have any conference literature that they can donate.

LCM Report: Mary F. for McHenry, Brenda O. for Harvard (Absent), Pat C. for Cary & Fox River Grove, Bob M. for Woodstock (absent), Karrie T. for Crystal Lake (Absent).

I gathered all the changes people have been giving me, plus replacing people who have passed away and are no longer attending the program. Plus the Woodstock Club really wanted their phone number removed as soon as possible. Once the groups approve of the current sample, we will be ready to produce all of them. I also sent sympathy letters to our GSR's who have passed on, the family of Ann H., Marmi B. and Mike M. I told them they we will never forget the hard work that each of them gave while they were here.

Newsletter Report: OPEN. Chair

No report

Public Information Report: OPEN Chair, Alt Chair OPEN

No report

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

Schedule samples were presented for approval. Motion presented to accept the format and motion was passed.

Special Needs Report: Bob K. Chair, OPEN Alt

No report

Webmaster: Sean T. Chair, OPEN Alt

I added a couple new events to the website events page, but no other updates at this time. I intend to update the schedule in the near future after the new format is confirmed. No other changes were done at this time.

In my search for a possible easier way to manage a searchable database, I inquired with Area 20 about how the GSO database (FNV – Fellowship New Vision) is updated after they receive updates from local districts. I was surprised to find out that the changes we submit our manually re-entered into the FNV database. So there is not a more convenient compatible file to simply import/export the new information.

I've received a couple commercial spam mailers about searchable online schedules, but nothing worth pursuing.

Here are some website stats for October (Using AwStats in Cpanel)

Similar to last month, the most visited URLs besides login pages is as expected the Meeting schedule, Meeting schedule NONPDF, Events page, NIA20 Meetings, and Contact Us.

Average # of visits per day 67 (October total 2093)

Pages per day 184 (Total 5719)

Hits Per Day 752 (Total 23322)

Bandwidth per day 58.56 MB (Total 1.77 GB)

Top 5 Total Search Strings

#	Hits	Search String
1	6.2%	aa-nia-dist11.org
2	4.6%	aa meetings woodstock il
3	3.1%	fox lake aa
4	3.1%	fox river grove il aa meetings
5	3.1%	aa crystal lake

Top 5 downloads

#	Hits	File
1	1017	JULY2015WebScheduleDist11.pdf
2	43	41_04_APRIL-MAY_2014-WEB.PDF (IntoAction)
3	34	2013GroupInformationChangeForm.doc
4	30	2013NewGroupInformationForm.doc
5	30	26_34_JUNE_JULY_11_WEB.PDF (IntoAction from 2011)

Workshop Report: OPEN Chair, OPEN Alt

GSR Reports:

Old Business:

- **Open Positions**

Alt DCM, Alt Treasurer, CPC Alt, Grapevine Chair, Alt Grapevine, Alt Literature, Alt Special Needs, PI Chair, Alt PI, Alt Treatment, Workshop Chair, Newsletter Chair

Next month will be elections for the New Year. Let your groups know and distribute the District 11 invitations for the monthly meeting. The positions are a 2 year rotation unless you have not served a full term, in which case you may serve a full term.

Job descriptions: Have been handed out for review. Motion to accept the job descriptions and seconded. Vote put forth and passed.

Budgets: In order to keep prudent reserve accurate we need to know if there are any necessary budget changes. Motion to accept the budget. Seconded. Passed.

New Business:

Open Mic

Clarence: Thursday night discussion meeting at Burtons Bridge needs help, please show up to support.

Bob: Men's group in McHenry at 7:30 pm on Friday night needs help

Mary: Mon. noon meeting and women's Tues. evening meeting @ McHenry Alano needs support.

Trinity: Nov. 15 Chili and Chill in Normal IL speaker at 7.

Rich: East Central Regional Forum will be taking place the 13th – 15th at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Milwaukee, WI.

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