District 6, Area 34 www.wm6aa.org Hotline # (231) 798-4242

May 10, 2015 @ 1:30 pm

White Lake Group located at White Lake Community Center on South Shore Drive & Lamos Rd.

Norm opened meeting at 1:30 with the Preamble & How It Works

Introductions around the table.

Norm discussed the history board for the White Lake Group that is on display. The group began in 1951 and was held at various locations before settling down to present location in 1976. There is much old time sobriety in the group. Concept 8 was read.

Secretary's Report

The minutes from the March 8 district meeting were read. Motion made by Kate to accept, 2nd by Penny. Motion passed

Treasurer Report

Russ read treasurer report. Motion made by Laura to accept, 2nd by Jeff. Motion passed.

Group Concerns

None

DCM Reports

North – Greg

• Visiting various groups and things are good.

Central -

• Open position.

South – Priscilla

• Visiting groups and encouraging GSR's to attend district meetings. The 4 pm meeting at TCAC is considering becoming a registered group. She will be visiting the group this week.

Committee Reports

Archives – Beth

• Several obituaries were brought in for her and she appreciates it. Penny offered to help Beth.

Corrections - Jim

• Absent - no report.

Grapevine - David

• Nothing new to report.

PI/CPC -

• Open position.

Schedules – Penny

• Passed out new schedules. It was noted that the printer listed the date incorrectly as Nov. 2014. The proof was correct and the date was messed up at printing time.

Webmaster's – Gary

• Absent - no report.

Telephone Service – Joy

• Listing new schedule on the message.

GSR Reports

- White Lake Group: Norm -- Rock solid attendance with many newcomers.
- <u>Hart Group:</u> Jeff -- Things are alright, group needs chairpersons for the 8 pm meetings, tourist season is beginning, gave flyers to state police post and the last Wednesday of the month is the birthday celebration meeting at 8 pm.
- Giles Road Fellowship: Hank emailed report -- Will be sending two checks to support district and GSO, meetings progressing well, 4x per week, average attendance is 10-20 per meeting, program is fiscally sound, will hold family picnic event 2nd Saturday in August, request that we add to meeting minutes fiscal numbers, opening balance and closing balance of treasurer's report.
- <u>Fremont Group:</u> Dave -- Things are suspiciously wonderful, still working on ways to reach the Spanish community.
- <u>Sat. Couples Meeting:</u> Greg -- Couples meeting held at the Watermark Church in Grand Haven the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month at 7 pm, potluck on the 3rd Saturday at 6 pm, average attendance is 16-20, LGBT couples are welcome and encouraged to attend.
- <u>Women's Meeting @ Swiss Village:</u> Penny -- Things are going very well, average attendance is 15-18 people, group is growing big.
- Depot Group: Wayne -- Things are fine and group has new start time of 6 pm.
- Nooners @ GMAC: Joy -- She is the new GSR for group, things are going well, group made donations to GSO/District/Area, talking about splitting the meeting if there are more than 30 people.
- <u>Grumpy Old Men & Sun. Breakfast group at GMAC:</u> Russ -- Meetings are going well, with Sunday breakfast group averaging 35-40 people.
- <u>Expect A Miracle Group at TCAC:</u> David -- Attendance is down, average attendance is 20-30 people, copies of the Grapevine are available for members to read.
- <u>Sun. Women's Meeting @ GMAC</u>: Kate reported as treasurer of group. Things are going swimmingly well, no Alt. GSR, attendance is down.
- <u>WEST Group</u>: Beth (Alt GSR) -- elections will be held soon, no interest in GSR position, average attendance is 10-15, attendance down possibly due to new NA meeting at same location/same time.
- <u>Port City Group:</u> Todd -- groups are growing, average attendance is 25-30 people, core group attending, lots young people and sponsorship, will be hosting a picnic July 26 at McGraft Park with baseball game, most meetings are smoking meetings, speaker meeting every Saturday which are non-smoking if speaker requests.
- <u>Shelby Group:</u> Earnie -- things are good, two meetings a week, have Spanish Big Books, there is a Big Book study that devotes 1/2 time to reading pages and 1/2 time in discussion of reading.

Old Business

- <u>Election for PI/CPC</u>. Laura nominated Judy K, with a 2nd from Kate. No other nominations. Judy K. accepted nomination and was unanimously elected.
- <u>Election for Alt. PI/CPC</u>. No nominations. GSR's asked to go back to groups and let people know of service position. Will stay in old business until position filled. Person must be present to be elected.
- <u>Election for DCM Central</u>. Kate nominated Laura J, with a 2nd from Joy. Todd L. expressed interest in position. Joy nominated Todd, but he declined due to health reasons. Laura accepted nomination and was unanimously elected.

New Business

- <u>Election for Schedules Chair</u>: Penny is currently the Alt. Schedules chair and wishes to take the Schedules Chair position. She was unanimously elected.
- <u>Election for Alt. Schedules Chair</u>: No nominations. GSR's asked to go back to groups to let them know of open service position. Person must be present to be elected. Will stay in old business until position filled.

- Group inventory for district: It was suggested our district consider taking a inventory to see how we are carrying the message and how we could improve things. Russ discussed there are 2 inventories available to consider: a group inventory available from GSO and one from Area 34. Laura will get both inventory forms and send them with the May minutes. We can then decide which form to use and when to take the inventory. It was suggested we consider doing one of them at the upcoming workshop.
- <u>Stipend for travel to Area meetings for Service Committee Chairs</u>: Discussion on providing a gas stipend to Service Committee Chairs to attend the area assemblies. At this time, only DCM's are reimbursed. Joy made a motion that district 6 provide a \$30 gas stipend to Service Committee Chairs, with a 2nd from Marsha. Much discussion was held, with the motion being re-worded several times. Final motion reads: Upon request, DCM's and Service Committee Chairs be given a \$30 gas stipend to attend area assemblies, car pooling when possible. One person opposed motion. Minority opinion: should have a \$90 cap. No votes changed. Final motion carried.
- <u>August workshop</u>: Discussion held on hosting a fall service workshop instead of a picnic again this year. Concerns were raised of the low attendance at the last few years events and August not being a good month to host workshop. No volunteers for August workshop committee. Discussion continued on having a service workshop, doing the district inventory and having presentations of service positions in the district. Motion made by Russ, with a 2nd from Kate to host a Fall Fling service workshop to be held on October 10, 2015 at a location to be determined at the July district meeting.
- Area meeting in Sept: At the July district meeting, we will need to select people to chair the following for the Area Assembly in Fremont: Food, Set-Up, Greeters and Flyers. The Assembly is Sept. 20 from 10 am 3:30 pm at the True North Building in Fremont. Volunteers need to be there at approximately 9 am. GSR's asked to go back to groups and let people know of these service opportunities.
- Change future May meetings to 1st Sun., instead of 2nd: Motion made by Laura, with a 2nd for Joy to hold future May district meetings on the 1st Sunday of the month instead of the 2nd Sunday due to Mother's Day. Motion passed unanimously.
- Excess funds in treasury: Motion made by Kate, with a 2nd from Greg to donate \$800 to GSO and \$600 to Area 34. 1 person opposed minority opinion: New York needs the money and Area does not as they have excessive funds along with the issue of the treasury not being paid back the missing funds. Motion to reconsider: no votes changed. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 pm.

Next District 6 meeting will be July 12 @ 1:30 pm. Meeting will be hosted by the Hart AA Group and is located at 191 W. Main St in Hart.

Respectfully submitted Laura Jones