

Bob T. opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer at 1:35 PM.
Art J. read the secretary's report from March 13, 2011. A motion was made to accept the minutes as read. The motion was passed and carried.

Russ L. gave his treasurers report for March 13- May 7, 2011. We had a beginning balance of \$1317.96.
Total income of \$642.62
Total expenses, \$ 475. 33
We have an available balance of \$468.05 after set asides, and our prudent reserve.
A motion was made to accept the report as read; it was seconded, and passed

There were no group or district concerns

Joy B. is the new GSR for Port City Group

DCM reports:
No DCM's where present.
DCM north has emailed me her report and I will pass that along.

Committee Reports:
Archives, Charlie O. was not present, Art J. reported that Charlie has a Flyer from the 1977 Port City Picnic that he is going to enter into the District 6 archives.

Corrections: Not present

Grapevine: Not present

Pi/CPC: not present

Schedules: Tom G. informed us that the new schedules are out. He has asked that the new information be turned into area 34, so they can update their records. Russ L. volunteered to do this.

Telephone: not present, Russ L. Reported phone system still working good.

Web Master: not present but has submitted his report.

GSR reports:
Russ L.: Sunday Breakfast Group attendance is good, 25 to 30

Thomas G. speaking for the Unity Group, attendance is good .

Joy B. Port City Group: Doing well, they have a new treasurer; they also have a new web site they would like to link to the District 6 web site. They are having some issues with postings on face book
Jane reported there is a flyer published by GSO concerning anonymity and the media.

Jon J. White lake group: Meetings doing well, he reported he made the last white lake business meeting they are having some renovations issues and who is to pay for them. Reports white lake group will be celebrating their 60th anniversary the weekend of June 18th.

Pete, Expect a Miracle group: reports meetings doing well, 30 plus. Good sobriety and lots of old-timers

Jane, Eye Opener Group: Good attendance, 30 plus, Monday is Step day, Tuesday is B.B. day. First Wednesday of the month is a tradition meeting.

Art J. Shelby fellowship, meetings doing well

Old Business: None

New Business: The secretary reported that Chris E. has resigned her post as DCM Central and PI/CPC Committee Chair. Russ L. made the motion to table nominations for these posts until the July District 6 meeting. The motion was passed and carried.

Russ L. Asked if the district wanted to accept or reject the \$300.00 reimbursement money for hosting Area 34 Assembly. After a lengthy discussion, a motion was made to accept the \$300.00 reimbursement From Area 34, and then donate it to GSO. The motion was passed and carried.

Jane inquired about getting Big Books for the jails. Bob informed her we have a new corrections chair and that she should contact him.

Next meeting will be held July 10, 2011 starting 1:30 in Whitehall, at the White Lake Community Center, corner of Lamos Rd. and Scenic Drive.

DCM North Report For District 6 Meeting May 8, 2011

Some communications started with groups in North District.

Some groups in other districts offering small stipends for gas and other trinket gifts (i.e. coffee cup, books, etc.) to speakers who are invited by the groups to bring speakers from say 50 miles or more, to come and speak. Carry back to home groups as suggestion. Groups consider this as self-supporting by taking on the cost by the speaker to travel to their meeting.

Area 34 Assembly April 17, 2011 met in Fremont. There was a good turnout despite the rough weather.

Treasurers Report: After set asides, available funds through 4/17/11 are \$4,544.10

Treasurer submitted resignation as she is moving to Taos, New Mexico this summer.

Assembly accepted her resignation and thanked for all of her service over the years to Area 34.

Delegate Report:

AA World Services – Tokyo & New Zealand holding their own after earthquakes/tsunamis greatly affected area. 2 former Trustees of AA passed away last month.

Literature -Committee kits prices rising to \$18 as of July 1, 2011. Deaf Big Books dropping to \$8. Mel is looking forward to serving on Panel 60 at the General Service Conference in New York in upcoming weeks.

Old Business:

#1 – New Alt. Corrections chair-Name ??

#2 - Alt. Directories chair tabled until May– nominated member unable to attend today

#3 – Special needs Chair and Alt. Chair– no notes(sorry)

#4 - Bids for hosting Area Assembly in December – District 6 bid holds bid, if no other Districts step up.

#5 – Bids for hosting 2012 ECRC/State Convention – Bids presented by Districts 6 & 7. Vote went to District 7 in Grand Rapids at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel for the weekend of June 30 – July 1, 2012. Conference Committee will be organized at May Area Assembly at Boyne City Alano Club.

New Business:

Motion to send Delegate to GSC- Seconded and passed all ayes

Nominations for Treasurer and Alt. Treasurer opened. Russ Larsen accepted nomination for Treasurer and Liz Fessenden volunteered as Alternate. All Ayes to both

District reports submitted in writing to secretary to accommodate for workshop this afternoon.

Committee reports/requests:

CORRECTIONS – Grapevines and Literature passed out to GSR's/DCM's – Prisons in Muskegon undergoing major changes – MCF Closing, Brooks and Lakeshore will remain open. More discussion in committee after these changes take affect. Discussions have been opened on Area Corrections putting on a Workshop Spring 2012 centrally located in the state to make opportunities for high attendance. District 11 workshop was reported as “fantastic”. Don from District 11 (231) 633-0860 will share materials by request.

ARCHIVES - Mike Young made a request for Area 34 to Share Cost for his attendance to the National Archives Workshop in Montana this September. He will carry majority of cost: Area share - \$250. Vote - All Ayes

WEBSITE - Committee recommended hiring a professional website company WWW.WOWWEBWORKS.COM to host the Area 34 website. Within budget, no vote needed.

Announcements:

Northern Michigan Inter Area Spring Round up May 27-30, 2011 at Grayling Ramada Inn.

Last Saturday in May - Bear Lake 6PM Speaker Meeting

Last weekend in August – Manistee – Recovery Weekend – Sponsored by His and Her Fellowship Group