

Meeting opened at 7:00 in person with GSR preamble

Sobriety Birthdays: No birthdays this month.

Present: Steve C. DCM; Tom M. CPC/PI Chair, Janet C., Workshop; Kim S., Corrections; Carla S., Bridging the Gap; Ken K., Grapevine; Dana R., Alt GSR Roscoe recovery; George, Accessibility Chair; Terry, Alt Accessibility Chair; Curtis C., GSR HOW; Sue P. GSR SOS; Denny S. GSR Three Legacies; , Phil K., GSR We Agnostics; Michelle C., GSR Upper Room; Steve K; Downtown; Jeanie E., GSR healthy Solutions; Collette G., Healthy Solutions; Allen, Augury GSR; Gus, GSR NAG; Marajane P., Bridge Group GSR; Jeanne M., Belvidere Group GSR; Edward W., visitor; Ginger, visitor; Greg, visitor.

Secretary report: See minutes. motioned to accept, approved

Treasurer Report: May Revenue was \$464.08, while May Expenses were \$421.53, resulting in a net Surplus for the month of \$42.55. The cumulative surplus is now \$1,696.36. As a reminder, this is in excess of our Prudent Reserve of \$2,843.00. The largest expense for the month was the workshop of \$220.47.

GSR Reports:

Augury: Memorial Day picnic on the 29th at the Augury. Starts at 10am. Bring your own meat.

Belvidere Bridge Group: Welcome new GSR Marajane P.

Belvidere Group: Our old location was damaged due to the recent storms. Our new location is St. Johns Church, 401 N. Main Street, Belvidere. We have all the same meeting times. Speaker meeting May 13th at 7pm. No potluck or breakfast due to church construction. Annual picnic on 8/6/2023. More details to come.

Central: Not present

Downtown: We are starting our speaker meeting again starting the 3rd Saturday of May. Speaker at 5:30pm

Healthy Solutions: A speaker meeting will be held June 17 at 5:15 pm with a potluck to follow. Myron F. will be the speaker.

Home at Home Group: Not present

HOW Group: No report

Language of the Heart No present

NAG: Effective 6/1/2023 with the 6:45 am meeting; NAG is meeting at 2633 20th St Rockford, IL 61109. Meeting schedule remains the same.

NE Group: No new report

McFarland Group: Not present

Muddy River: No new report

Our Primary Purpose – Not present

SOS: No new report

Roscoe Recovery: Roscoe Recovery has started our outside meetings every Wednesday night from 5:30pm to 6:30pm. Our first meeting was May 24th and will continue thru September (weather permitting). If/when we get bad weather such as last night then we will be meeting at Leland Park in Roscoe where there are picnic tables and a covered pavilion. The address for Leland Park is 5727 Broad St. Roscoe IL 61073.

Three Legacies: We started doing a book study on Dr. Bob and the Good Oldtimers. It is being held on Mondays at 5:30. There was a good turnout last week. Plenty of books to go around.

Upper Room: Will be having anniversary picnic soon September 9th at Ana Page Park. More information to come.

We Agnostics: Attendance has been steady. Hybrid continues to be well attended.

Committee Reports:

Treatment: There are no major changes for the Tuesday nights at Rosecrance. We are still going into speak to all the units and we have consistent volunteers come in. Jeremy is also handing out meeting pamphlets so they are aware of meetings in the district. We are trying to pick a day to have a meeting with the staff to help us with more groups to come in as well. The only changes this month was Healthy Solutions are now going in on every third Wednesday of the month now at 7:30 instead of Sundays. This works better with the schedule at Rosecrance. There has been no week where we weren't able to

come so every week we were able to have a meeting there. Nothing else to report at this time thank you for letting be of service

CPC/PI: Harlem High School – I was able to spend the day on Friday May 19, 2023 speaking to Freshman students in their health class at Harlem High School. An hour-long presentation was each given to seven different classes on the program of AA and the specifics of the disease of alcoholism. 2) University of Illinois School of Medicine – The University of Illinois has asked that the CPC coordinator give a 2-hour seminar to 1st and 3rd year medical students at the School of Medicine in Rockford. The event will take place in October of 2023. The title of the colloquia is Wet Drunks, Dry Drunks and Recovery from the Fatal Illness of Alcoholism through Alcoholics Anonymous. 3) 17th Circuit Court – Tom visited the Administration Office at the Winnebago County Courthouse to inquire about speaking to the staff and judges. The assistant set me up with the Deputy Court Administrator of Problem-Solving Courts who I sent an e-mail to and left a voice message for requesting to meet with the staff and judges from Bankruptcy Court, Family Court, Juvenile Court and Criminal Court.

Corrections: Not much to report, meetings are going every week. Took in books that were donated and they go as soon as we bring them. Waiting on Area to send a new case. Winnebago County now has a release team. I have an email in so that we can meet with them and give them our resources along with Bridging the Gap. I have had 2 women call upon release. One is working steps with me and I am very proud of her. The other is keeping in touch. I received my first letter from an inmate that went to DOC. I am was very excited to hear from her and will be continuing to keep in touch with her. I was asked to print a flyer for the Beloit Group, but was out of ink today. They are having their spring fling on May 13 th at Boundaries: 3817 S. Riverside, Beloit. Sandwiches at 6, speaker at 7, Dance floor opens at 8. \$10 donation at door.

Grapevine: No activity to report other than I have a new volunteer to become Alternate Grapevine Chair.

Webmaster: No report

Accessibility: The new chair and co-chair hit the ground running. Have helped several in need.

Workshop: There was a Grapevine workshop on Saturday, April 29 th , 2023. It was a big success! About 25 or more people attended. There will be another workshop in June. Saturday June 24 th 2023 The topic to be discussed: HOW TO HOST A BIG BOOK CONFERENCE plus another general recovery topic. This workshop will be held at the Rockford Alano Club. 9 am to Noon. There will be free pizza and there is NO COST to attend. The DCM, and the Alt DCM were approached by Dawn B., the NIA20 alternate chairperson, who asked if they were interested in having District 70 host the Northern IL Area 20 2024 Big Book Conference in Rockford. This workshop will be an opportunity to see what is involved in hosting a Big Book Conference. Dawn will be at the workshop to explain everything and answer any questions. If this is something that District 70 is interested in, we'll have a group conscious and vote on it. There will be flyers sent soon! Please put this on your calendar. JUNE 24 th 2023. If anyone has an idea for a Workshop topic – LET ME KNOW!

If any group would like to host a Workshop – LET ME KNOW!

Bridging the Gap: working on flyers for BTG to give to GSR they will be ready soon and handed out! We have further instructions as to helping a person being released from jail and assisting that person at her /his first 6 meeting. We have volunteers in place at present ready to move forward.

Answering Service: We had 35 calls in May. We were able to utilize the group chat I set up for cross committee business - outreach. This helped us arrange a 12 step meeting for a hospitalized individual via his Son and our Accessibilities Committee. We are also receiving calls as people leave Jail and reaching out for Kim - AWESOME team work everyone. Please talk up Answering Service at your home group and have people reach out to me to get involved we need volunteers who would be interested in taking this over next year as I am fully ready to step down it has been over 3 years I have held this phone every day.

Ad Hoc Finance Committee: No new report

ISCYPAA Liaison: No report

Announcements: There will be a memorial for Linda B. at the Alano Club from 1-4pm on the 6th of April.

ALT-DCM Dear District 70, Due to some medical issues I'm sorry I won't be able to attend the meeting for some time. I'm on a good road to recover my health. I'll be with you spirit and I'm available by phone, text, and email

DCM: I emailed out the NIA20 Area Delegate's committee report. All info on the agenda items of the GSC are included. There was a very historic vote affecting the GSC & the GSB, as result of the GSB asking for the resignation of the GSB chair on January 29, 2023. Also, information on the translation of the 4th addition Big Book in plain & simple language. And the changes in the 12x12 that were approved at the 71st GSC in 2021. There is District 70 workshop on June 24th. Most of the information and questions on hosting the Big Book conference in 2024 will be answered and discussed at this workshop. Please attend. We need the District GSR's support, and the District committee chairs support at this workshop. We do not have the time to cover this at our District meeting. That's why we are having a workshop on it. Some discussion will be at our July meeting and then taken back to the groups for discussion. A vote will be in August at the District 70 meeting. Then we will put a bid in at the Fall Assembly if our District votes to host the 2024 Big Book Conference. There are 10 committees for this conference. They should be filled with AA members from District 70, AA groups, not District committee chairs. They have enough to do with their jobs as is. There will be District committee members on the committee, DCM or Alt DCM and 1 committee chair and 2 GSR's to help and offer oversight, so the timeline can be met. As a result of the Big Book Conference discussion at our July meeting, I sent an email out and asked for input on changing our District meeting to July 13, instead of July 6. Many members will be out of town for July 4th week, and we need good attendance for the Big Book conference discussion. The input I received on my email was (zero) no change, (2) either night, and (6) for July 13th. We will take a simple majority vote under New Business for changing the July District 70 meeting from July 6 to July 13 tonight. Let's start talking about elections coming up in October. We have key positions that will be open with no one to facilitate them.

Old Business:

- 1) Open Positions: Edward W. stood for Alt Corrections Chair and was elected;
- 2) Janet read motion regarding the printing of the schedules. Unanimously passed.

New Business:

- 1)** No new business

Motion to close ; 2nd, approved,

NEXT MEETING: June 1st.