

District Meeting Minutes 11/11/2023

Location: Downtown Williston – Williston ND

Chair: JoLeen B

20 Attending

Meeting brought to order @ 2:04pm

Meeting opened with Serenity Prayer

Jarrvis read the 12 Traditions

Dusty read the minutes from the 10/21/2023 meeting

There were no additions or changes to the minutes.

*Motion made by Suan to approve the minutes – Motion 2nd by Gaylen
– All in Favor – No Opposed - Motion Passed

GSR Reports

Plentywood – Skyler S – The meetings are going good. Having newcomers attend. Wednesday 6-7, Saturday 10-11 MST

Downtown Williston – Brian – Meetings are going good, attendance is steady. Sunday morning is good. There is now an NA meeting Friday @9pm. Halloween party was great. 4 Attendees for the monthly business meeting.

24hr Group Watford – Jack – Meetings are going strong 25-80 member attending a week. Women's meeting is going good. 24 Hour group will be having a Christmas party December 16, 2023- Please see attached flyer.

Newtown – Mark – Not in attendance

We Are Not Saints – Susan – Will be having 2nd business meeting next week. Will be electing an alternate GSR. Running same attendance.

Men's tag Watford – Robert – October 31st Chili Contest. All going well same attendance as usual . Will be having a speaker meeting December 2 & 3rd.

Our Redeemer's / Keep It Simple– Nancy – Doing good group is growing, was 24 last week. Please remind people to bring sides, salad, dessert, and bread. Still want to change the name of the group. Jack aid the GSR need to get ahold of the registrar, may need a new group number. Gaylen said he had experience with it and he will help out.

Papa Jacks – Not present

Crosby – Not Present

Ray - Not Present

Tioga – Not Present

DCM Report

Skyler S. – Information from delegate Rachel \$30,000 was spent to launch the Grapevine App. GSO rent was paid and October cashflow was in the positive. Also, they are looing for volunteers for the West Regional Conference in Minot for tech stuff please contact Randy or Chris. Brian mentioned this I a big function with lots of zoom connections. Zoom meeting tomorrow at 5 PM. Skyler also wanted to mention that the GSO is experiencing issue with getting literature and Grapevine out – Remember there are only 85 people working there and they are trying their best.

Hospital & Institution – Not Present

PICPC – Position Open – Need nominations

Phone/Hotline – Jaarvis – 2 call bothe hung up – Kylie volunteered to take the phone for the next month.

Treasurer's Report – Dean B – Read by Stephanie

*See Attached

Savings Account

Balance \$2005.03 Savings

Checking Account

Balance = 2,500.87

District 1 Contributions - \$1,943.00

Pink Pig ??? - The pink Pig balance is still in discrepancy.

*Brian made a motion to approve the treasurer's report - Skyler 2nd –
All yes- No Opposed – Motion Passed

Old Business

Skyler booked a room Best Western for the AA speaker coming for the Christmas Party on December 2. He reserved with his own personal account.

Jack volunteered to pick Mike the speaker up from the airport @ 3:10pm – and will drop him off Sunday morning.

Christmas Party flyer Gaylen says 5pm to eat – He will need kitchen help ay 10 am – 12pm and 3pm.

Jack volunteered the 24 hour group to provide soda & water butter and rolls.

JoLeen asked Janah if she received any books that were donated last meeting – She stated that she gave the books to the clinic and they were being distributed to kids in treatment- and requested more pamphlets for youth.

Jack asked about having the Pink Pig money moved from the checking account to the Pink Pig account as the motion had been made. Jana mentioned that the Pink Pig balance is still messed up.

***Jack made a motion that we elect a new District 1 Treasurer- Susan 2nd the motion - All yes- No Opposed – Motion Passed**

Nancy aid she spoke with Dean and he would be willing to step down at this time - Janah Young was asked if he would accept a nomination for District 1 Treasurer. Janah accepted the nomination. Chair JoLeen asked if there were any other nominations for the position. There were none.

***Motion passed for Janah Young to assume the position of District 1 Treasurer.**

Steph wanted to make sure it was in the minutes that Janah was elected as new treasurer for banking purposes to

Skyler announced that \$206 was collected today for the Christmas Party. This is in addition of what was raised last meeting.

Steph will get a debit card for the account and cards will be picked up for the secretary.

Steph will get with Janah to determine if a debit card can be obtained for the District account.

It was brought up that the District need a new secretary. Dusty will accept the nomination for the position. All in favor.

Hotline Phone – Jarvis – Two phone calls, both hung up. Kylie will take over the hotline phone

New Business

Jack asked that there be a format implemented for the minutes, to include: place, time and how many members, basically the meeting specifics.

*Nancy made a motion to implement the meeting minutes to include a format. Brian 2nd the motion. All yes- No Opposed – Motion Passed

Jack wanted to bring to the District's attention that there is no mention in the District meeting minutes previous to the July 2023 meeting minutes pertaining to the mileage paid to District DCM. No District 1 By-Laws have been changed to reflect the changes made to the by-laws from the July 2023 meeting. There had been discussion to bring this information to the individual groups and he does not recall it ever being brought to the 24 Hour group to be discussed. Joleen could only find that in March 2023 that it was discussion was tabled on paying a reimbursement quarterly. He has went through the minutes and can only find from the January 2023 meeting that "Skyler would like for all GSRs to go back to the groups and see what they need or would like to see

from the District this year... Catrina will e-mail out this form to all GSRs to take back to their groups...Skyler is encouraged to track his mileage for all district related events to be reimbursed by the District.” Steph reiterated that there is no proof of a motion being made or passed in the minutes. Not trying to say he doesn’t deserve to get reimbursed. When it comes to money or financials in any business motions need to be made and passed. He understands we live in a rural environment but when you take the commitment you take it for better or worse. Brian agrees that it is critical that the meeting minutes are correct. Tom mentioned that a few years ago District 1 was all but dissolved. Gaylen mentioned that previously all monies were given out by percentages of what was available and that all previous position holders had taken care of their own costs with no reimbursements. Skyler, according to the 12 Traditions each group is to be self-supporting. If the group is not self supporting then maybe it is not ready to put on some functions. Skyler clarified what Jack was asking - 1st issue is having all the motions in the minutes and the 2nd, weather or not the DCM should be reimbursed? Skyler recalled that the discussion of reimbursement was discussed prior to elections at that meeting and questioned if anyone else

remembered that discussion. He recalls after elections there was a meeting and discussed about what to be reimbursed and voted on by the member there, that can't be found in the minutes but was. A couple month later it was changed again Jack reiterated that there is no mention of any motion made pertaining to reimbursement of mileage to Skyler. Skyler commented that it wasn't in any of the minutes prior to this year because it was discussed prior to elections. Jack reiterated that since the 1st of the year when the District board took over there is nothing in the minutes about reimbursing the DCM. Kyler continues that it has not been since the 1st of the year as it had been discussed before that and has never been brought back again weather or not the DCM should be reimbursed. The only motion that was brought forth was mileage and then later again brought forth to change it. Gaylen asked if it was in last years meeting minutes. Steph commented that all the meeting minutes should be on the laptop. Nancy suggested we start recording the meetings. Steph informed her we already do. Jerri commented towards their groups reimb policy. Jack asked Skyler what the difference is from being paid reimbursement as a GCR to a DCM?

** Jack made a motion to reimburse fuel receipts to the DCM from the 1st of the year 2023 from Plentywood to meetng.

Susan asked weather or not the motion was open for discussion. JoLeen answered no and was corrected by Jack that by rules it was to be opened for discussion.

Brian commented that the Treasurers Report is incorrect and suggested to pause all payment/disbursement until it is corrected.

Ken asked everyone to pause and recite the Serenity Prayer.

JoLeen commented that she had in her written notes from the February 2023 meeting that “Dean (treasurer) made a motion to pay Skyler for mileage reimbursement for traveling to areas to help and get info. Nancy said thank you Randy said as a group inventory not being used the way they need to be utilized?? Dean rescinded the motion. Kyler aid to strike the motion as it is already in the by-laws. Jack said thinks it would be extremely beneficial for the groups to use the group inventory. Catrina will e-mail out the inventory to group GRs” Motion was struck and next meeting was tabled until

next meeting about mileage and payout to Skyler. Next meeting 4/14/23 – Mileage reimbursement to Skyler for \$159.82. This is what's in her notes NOT the meeting minutes. We need to get back on track to figure out if it's going to be paid?, What's going to be paid?

Jack commented that it was always discussed paying area functions and District but NOT others.

. Steph commented that when the by-laws were done they tried their best to cover everything but things were missed. There's going to have to be changes made as with changing ideas and we'll have to work together as a group. There's nothing in the by-laws about receiving reimbursement for anything. JoLeen brought up that the point had been made at a previous meeting during the discussion on this matter that reimbursement was needed as a form to have people who could not economically afford to do their part in service work be able to. Jack commented towards this. Ken thinks it would be a good idea to print out the By-laws for everyone to have at meetings Susan commented that it was brought up before elections and what Gaylen said @ the percent ages worked. Tom thinks there need to be a budget set up for this. Charlice likes what Brian said about having the accounting to be in order.

****Jack rescinded his motion.**

It was decided to table this discussion until the January 2024 meeting to give Janah time to reconcile the accounts.

Dusty submitted bill for debit card for \$96.00 to be reimbursed – Dusty please put what for.

****Susan made a motion to reimb \$96.00 – Nancy 2ndAll
yes- No Opposed – Motion Passed**

Open Discussion

Tommy commented that the Big Book in Canada plain language was not the 5th Edition

Pink Pig – Williston \$57.51

Pig goes to Our Redeemers

7th Tradition - \$39.00

Next meeting December 2,2023 – Our Redeemers 4:00pm

Christmas Party 5pm PO Box – Susan 2nd the motion – All in favor No Opposed – Motion

Jack asked if Janah will be staying at the same bank which she agreed that she was.

Question was asked to get District PO Box

****Brian made a motion to get a District PO Box - Nancy 2nd the motion – All All in favor - No Opposed – Motion Passed**

It was asked weather or not Tawnya had been reimbursed – JoLeen will check on it – Motion had been made and approved to already pay her. If she need payment JoLeen will get with Janah to reimb Tawnya.

Stephanie – as Archivist will be getting some tuff on the website. Also if anygroups have any old timers get some info to teph so she can get it on the website.

Jack asked if Janah would check with the bank about getting a credit card, debut card or pre-paid card form the bank k

**January 2024 meeting will be January 6th at Williston
Downtown @200pm Potluck 2:30pm Meeting.**

**Susan made a motion to close the meeting – Gaylen 2nd All
yes- No Opposed – Motion Passed**

Meeting closed @ 3:55pm -With the Serenity prayer