

MONTHLY DISTRICT 12 ASSEMBLY MINUTES

JULY 21, 2024

Prepared by Christine P.

District 12 Secretary

LOCATION:

- Manchester - St Raphael's Church/Hybrid/ ID: 306 311 205 Passcode: district12

DATE:

- July 21, 2024

ATTENDANCE:

- 38 Total: 32 Voting 6 Non-Voting

IN PERSON VOTING:

Maura P. (DCM), Mike C. (Treasurer), Earl B. (Webmaster/GSR Fellow Travelers), Vinnie G. (Helpline Chair), Mark G. (Grapevine/Literature), Karl T. (Correction Chair), Michelle S. (District Services Chair), Rachel T. (LCM), Miranda Z. (LCM Chair), John O. (LCM), Larry M. (Search), Amy S. (GSR No Name Gr), Lou F. (GSR Heard it Through the Grapevine), Rick L. (GSR Hard Hat), Dana D. (GSR Joy of Living) Tom M. (GSR Clean & Serene), Statia B. (GSR Happy Hr West), David S. (GSR Saturday Solutions), Darcy W. (GSR Beg. Mon. Night Mtg Bedford), Susanna W. (GSR St. Pius), Lisi (GSR Back to Basics), Terry C. (GSR PMG), Eric S. (Alt GSR PPG), Kerry S. (GSR Happy Hr. East)

ONLINE VOTING:

Christine P. (Secretary), David W. (Tech Chair), Laura S. (GSR Goffstown We Understand Gr), Laura C. (GSR Womens New Beg), Louie F. (GSR Manch

YP), Christine F. (GSR Mon Hooksett Womens BBSS), Timmy B. (GSR Zoomigos), Marquis H. (GSR Rise & Shine)

NON-VOTING:

- Jim M. (Alt DCM), Trina (ALT GSR Zoomigos), Jessica P. (Coffee Maker), Patty L. (Alt. GSR, Goffstown We Understand), Andrew T., Melissa R.

MEETING OPENING:

- Jim M. opened the meeting at 6:00pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Eric S., read the AA preamble. Amy S., read tradition 7, Vinnie G., read concept 7, & Maura P., read step 7. The meeting was called to order & the roll was verified. Motion to accept June minutes by Earl B., seconded by Amy S.
- Motion to accept the June treasurer report by Earl B., seconded by Michelle S.

DCM: Maura P. (district12dcm@gmail.com):

- No report

AltDCM: Jim M. (district12altdcm@gmail.com):

- Jim has been filling in for the Functions Chair & the functions committee has been very busy organizing the Summer Outing along with the Area 43 Assembly which we have the honor of hosting. The Summer outing will be at Clough State Park in Weare on August 10th from 10-5pm. Tickets are \$15 Get them from the QR code on the flier or at the park the day of the event. All children are free. Jim has tickets & the district will be making tickets available to those who don't have the funds to buy a ticket reach out to Jim 603-345-8855 text or call. The Area 43 Assembly is coming together nicely thanks to Christine, our secretary securing St. Catherine's Parish at 207 Hemlock St. Manchester. The Assembly will be August 24th from 8-3pm. There should be a flier on nhaa.net very soon. More will be revealed including committee meetings to organize. First things first, taking care of

our summer outing. Hope you all are enjoying the nice weather. Don't forget you can't keep it unless you give it away. Lots of love and prayers for all of you, stay strong, keep the faith, love you all.

Secretary: Christine P. (district12secretary@gmail.com):

- Thank you for taking the time to read these minutes & allowing me to serve as your secretary. Anyone not receiving emails please let Christine know.

Treasurer: Mike C. (district12treasurer@gmail.com):

- See attached report.

District Services: Michelle S.(district12districtservices@gmail.com) :

- Nothing to report

Registrar: (district12registrar@gmail.com) :

- Open

LCM'S: Miranda Z., John O., Nate W., Rachael T. :

- This month the LCMs met for our monthly committee meeting on Thursday July 18th. We have two upcoming meetings on the books to visit as a team! This is on top of our individual adventures visiting meetings in District 12. We have gained access to the LCM emails thanks to our technology chair and are currently going through them. We have had the opportunity to help a few people/meetings this past month. We did have some concerns brought to us by a smaller, financially struggling group in district 12 looking for guidance and suggestions. Some of the concerns brought to our attention were:
 - -Large amounts of newcomers getting dropped off at the meeting by sober houses and treatment facilities and they run out of newcomer chips faster than 7th tradition funds can replenish it. Some group members raised concerns that some of the people getting dropped off are forced to be there when this meeting is a closed meeting of AA. This group, already being under financial stress, is also required to pay \$400 a year for insurance to the church, they also wanted to know if it's within tradition rights to band together with other groups and share the cost of insurance together. A few of the suggestions and ideas the LCMs came up with for the group are:

- Stop doing chips for a little while and just do group member anniversaries
- Raising hands for acknowledgement and round of applause instead of doing chips
- Asking other AA members and groups for help by donating used 24hr chips
- Making a disclaimer at the beginning of the meeting about it being a closed meeting and what that means for their group specifically along with reading the closed meeting script
- Giving the people forced to be there the opportunity to sit outside or step out of the room while the meeting happens if they do not believe they are an alcoholic or reminding them that in AA they will not be forced to participate in anything, etc.
- Taking a group conscious to ask other groups at that location to join the insurance if they want and they could all meet to discuss it together with the groups wanting to participate.
- LCMs plan on taking all this information and suggestions to the groups business meeting to discuss it with them in person. We also wanted to give District 12 the opportunity to hear our current ideas and give us feedback or additional suggestions to pass along.

Search: Larry (district12search@gmail.com):

- Nothing to report

Functions: (district12functions@gmail.com):

- Open

Treatment: Allison G. (district12treatment@gmail.com):

- Not present/Christine gave a report stating Farnum is full. Although, there is a group signing in as “Q & A of Manchester” which needs some clarification on where this group comes from. Amy S. to get in contact with Allison.

Helpline: Vinnie G. (district12hotline@gmail.com):

- Nothing to report

Coffee Maker: Jessica P.

- Thank you for the yummy coffee & goodies ☺

PI/CPC: Alyssa M. (district12picpc@gmail.com):

- Not present

Technology: David W. (district12technology@gmail.com):

- Nothing to report

Alcathon: Justin G. (district12alcathon@gmail.com):

- Not present

Literature: Mark G.

- All literature for sale at every district meeting. Get your 50/50 to win a book of your choice. PayPal is now available to purchase all literature.

Young People's Liaison: Amy S.

- Amy S. stood, qualified and was voted in unanimously.

Corrections: Karl T. (district12corrections@gmail.com):

- We have been able to maintain a steady presence at the Facility during the Summer season thus far. We have been turned away now and then due to Lock Down and or lack of sign-ups. The Facility Programs Director has been communicating regularly with the Chair and has assured that we can soon expect an improvement in the speed of screening and approving new volunteers. At this time, Karl has gone to an all-paper system to see if this will improve our visibility and increase the speed of screening. We will see. Yours in Love and Service. Karl

GSR REPORTS:

- Zoomigos remains an active and vibrant group. We've had a positive rotation of new volunteers for Chair and Tech positions recently. We are blessed to have welcomed several newcomers during July. Planning for our Summer Outing is a combined Zoomigos/ Rise & Shine Group outing on 8/24 - Rain or Shine, is going well with plenty of service support. We have purchased a subscription to grapevine, as it is one of our reads one night during the week.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The following are upcoming Area 43 assemblies:
 - Aug 24, Location / St Catherine's Church
 - Hybrid / 207 Hemlock St, Manchester NH
 - Nov 23 Location/ TBD / Hybrid
- Keep an eye out for emails to come. You can also find ALL Area43 information on nhaa.net
- CONGRATULATIONS!!! Jessica P. on 1 year, Mark on 2 yrs

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Open District Positions:
 - *Asst Treasurer- No One stood
 - *Workshops & Forums- No One stood
 - *Voice Within- No One stood
 - *Publishing- No One stood
 - *Records & Archives- No One stood
 - *Functions- No One stood

NEW BUSINESS:

- August 10th District12 will host a summer outing
 - Location - Clough State Park

MEETING CLOSURE:

- Meeting ended with the responsibility statement at 6:52pm.
- Super Grateful for each & every one of you!
- Next district meeting is Sunday August 18th, 2024.
- The year ahead are our following District12
 - September 15th

- October 20th
- November 17th
- December 15th

*Yours in Love & Service,
Christine P.
District 12 Secretary*