

Unapproved Minutes for District 18 Business Meeting: June 11, 2015: 6:30-8:30pm
Location: Plymouth Congregational Church 1900 Nicollet Ave Mpls, MN 55403



Greeters: Mark & Pierre

1. Serenity Prayer (6:30)

2. Introductions (6:32) 47 attendees

3. Welcome New GSRs and Others (6:40) Scott (not a GSR)

4. Intergroup Liaison Report - Mike D. (6:42)

Intergroup Summer Workshop - June 13th, 1pm Lunch & 2pm- four speakers, at Union Congregational Church, 3700 Alabama Ave, S. St. Louis Park, 55416.

Thanks to all of the groups who hosted at the Intergroup Gopher State hospitality suite this year as it was a great success.

5. Introduction and Announcements (District Committee Member (Kevin) (6:47)

- **Open Committee Chair:** Special Needs/Accessibilities just filled tonight- Mike
- **June 27th:** Area Assembly, New Ulm Community Center, New Ulm, MN (9:00 – 5:00pm)
- **July 18th:** Archives Alive, Glencoe, MN (10 – 1) BBQ to follow
- **August 8th:** Area Committee Meeting , Best Western- North Mankato (9:30 – 11:30 & 1-5pm)

6. GSR Sharing (6:54) Problems & Successes

Chris (Foundation Stone) Going great, founding member recently moved back to Iceland. The group is engaging with the pastor of the church where they meet to ensure the group is being a good tenant.

Riki (This Simple Program) Attendance is up. Temporarily meeting in a smaller room. Still trying to figure out door bell solutions.

Zak (Brenmar Mtg) Good attendance , getting ready for upcoming Group Inventory.

Derek (Shoulder to Shoulder) Group is dwindling, possibly due to lack of structure.

Tom (Alt GSR - Basic 12) Numbers are down but they have a good relationship with the church which meets at the same place as Tradition Five.

Dave (Rock Solid) Mon at 8pm, Sahara Club) - Trying to develop meeting structure as they are just 2 years old. The meeting is currently a topic meeting. Lots of new sobriety - mostly early 20s people. Female members have expressed wanting to get more women involved.

Steve (Tradition 5) 30th anniversary on Monday June 15th – potluck at 6 mtg at 7.

Dan (Biltmore group) New attendees from Park Ave. Started a business meeting on the 2nd Wednesday. The group is doing more service work with good participation.

7. Officer's Reports (7:02)

- a. District Committee Member (Kevin); d18dcm@gmail.com (3 minutes)
- b. Alternate DCM (Jenn); d18AltDCM@gmail.com
- c. Secretary (Brad E.); d18secretary@gmail.com (3 minutes)
2 amendments to the May minutes regarding the wording of the Finance chair report (requested by Chris and Sarah). - Chris & Sarah also inquired as to why the Gopher State District t-shirts weren't on the June agenda. After some discussion Jason M. asked to move it to old business on the July

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agenda. Ken R. seconded the motion. The DCM declined to vote on the motion and went to the approval of the corrected May District minutes. Minutes passed 20 to 0.

- d. Treasurer (Jason M.); d18treasurer@gmail.com (3 minutes)
Carla N- Made a point of order regarding the 2nd motion left on the floor before Jason went to the podium. Jason M. repeated the motion – To put the District t-shirt discussion on old business for the July agenda. Motion passed 20 to 0.

8. Committee Chairpersons (7:11) (1 min each)

- a. **Archives** (Denton), Archivist- Ken R; d18archives@gmail.com
- b. **Corrections** (Allen P.); d18corrections@gmail.com
- c. **Finance** (Dan); d18finance@gmail.com - Suggested amounts to groups /? Carla – Financial letter from D18?
- d. **Grapevine** (Flow); d18grapevine@gmail.com 612-374-2491 (DCM will check and let Flow know)
Subscription challenge
- e. **Group Records** (Derek E.); d18grouprecords@gmail.com
- f. **Literature** (Piyush B.); d18literature@gmail.com
- g. **Newsletter** (Marc T.); d18newsletter@gmail.com Needs committee reports
- h. **Public Information/CPC** (Blair C.); d18publicinfo@gmail.com
- i. **Special Needs/Accessibilities** (open): d18remotecommspecialneeds@gmail.com Mike
- j. **Treatment** (Pierre): d18treatmentfacilities@gmail.com
- k. **Website** (Marcus A.): d18webchair@gmail.com

9. Area 36 Delegate Report – Lisa Dawn G. (7:25)

Q&A - **Pierre** - Is there financial decline in AA as a whole? *Are we educating our groups?*

What does a \$1 mean? What services will be cut ? 7th tradition outreach – To fully participate in AA.

Jason - Literature sales vs digital? How to combat it? *The groups*

Flo - Regarding the scope & focus of Policy & Commissions committee- What do you need as chair next year? What can the Area and District do? *Policy & Commissions is a correlating trustees committee. The focus is ratifying non- voting members at the the GSC. Policy – is a catch all for things that the trustees are not sure what to do with. Committee policies.*

Chris - Our group cares about the Mental health pamphlet & 12x12x12. The pamphlet – *Mental Health - is going to the Trustees committee and they write the first draft. The final first draft will be presented at next year's GSC. Regarding the 12x3: The committee took no action as the concepts are in the BB, service manual, and a stand alone volume.*

Joy - Who writes the pamphlets? - *The Literature committee trustees.*

10. Concept 6: Sarah S. (8:10)

11. New Business (8:15)

- a. **Committee Proposals** - None

12. GSR Highlights: Chuck (8:26)

13. **Request for Volunteers for next meeting** (8:28): Greeters (); Concept 7 (Carla N.); GSR Highlights ()

14. Closing: “Responsibility Statement” (8:29)

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