

## District 3, Area 34 AA meeting minutes for August 4, 2008

### Attendance:

Kurt B, District Treasurer, GSR, Zeeland Friday Night Gratitude Group  
Jim K, Alternate GSR, 12 & 12 Holland  
Brian L  
Melissa L  
Amber B, Holland Group GSR, Area 34 PI/CPC Chair  
Molly M  
Reka J., GSR, Zeeland Tuesday Promises Group  
Lynn D., GSR, Holland North, Answering Service Chair  
Michael N, Treasurer, Stepping Stones Noon Group, South Haven  
Fred S., GSR, South Haven  
Gene O, DCM, District 3, GSR, Glenn Group  
Paul C., GSR, Hamilton  
Sam W., GSR, Saugatuck All Saints  
Don J., Corrections Chair  
Brian V., 70X7 Life Recovery  
Scott A., Alternate Chair, Holland Group  
Vic Z., GSR, Stepping Stones  
Ron E., Holland Group Treasurer  
Warren E, District 3 Secretary, Alt. GSR, Monday Continue to Continue Douglas  
Fabian H., El Progresso  
Luis L., El Progresso  
Dan N., Treasurer, Thursday Saugatuck  
Rick R., Grapevine Chair  
Alfredo B., GSR, El Progresso  
Curtis W, GSR, New Found Freedom, Holland Alano Club, 8PM  
Dirk D., GSR, Farmhouse Group

Don J opened the meeting at 6:00 pm and followed with a reading of the long form of the 8<sup>th</sup> tradition. Welcome to new GSR's and their introductions.

Secretary report: Warren E read the minutes from the June and July meetings. Both were accepted in turn.

Treasurer report: Kurt B. explained the bank statement and pointed out a large reserve. Inquired about dispersing monies to Area and GSO.

DCM report: Amber B. Noted the next Area meeting is at Harbor Springs on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month. Last meeting at Sault St. Marie. Two (2) positions are still open at the Area level; Area Event and Convention Chair, and Website Alt chair. Bids for the location of the 2010 Michigan convention location are still open. The 1-800 number is not longer in use and has been removed from the directory publication. A survey is being circulated concerning the timing of Area Meetings and the frequency of it. Participation is needed but meeting each month is a concern along with gas and lodging.

Answering service report: Lynn D. supplied data on July calls – 13 calls received two patched. Contact names of four people were added to the list to receive calls. She noted that more volunteers are welcome and that individuals can name their hours of availability.

Website report: Jim K. shared an e-mail copy of David T's report. Waiting for group names from Fred for meeting at Stepping Stones Club in South Haven. New contact number for the Fennville Tuesday Group: Carol C. 269-561-7334. Plans have been made to make trip to location of one of the locations of the Spanish speaking groups to get updated District 17 info ( District 17 is co-located in our District 3 ) This is planned to be completed by the September District 3 meeting. Please note the first Monday in September is Labor day. David t. will change the web page to reflect that we will meet on Sept 8<sup>th</sup>, ( not September 1 ).

Pi/CPC report: Tom m. e-mailed a short statement to Kurt B. Pi committee was unable to meet in July therefore there is nothing to report. He has however received the Big Books ordered and the committee will be passing them out to churches etc. He also notes that He is in favor "of the whole LCM change."

Corrections report: Brian V. reported the Vern has nine people who have passed prison evaluation and been approved for entry into the jail ( Fillmore Facility ) meeting to start in two weeks.

Special needs: Absent – no report

Grapevine report: Rick R quickly reviewed a few selected reading. Grapevine is available in English and Spanish.

Old Business:

LCM north and south and Alt LCM positions will be filled in October when the other officers will be elected.

New Business:

Travel expenses discussed. Motion to approve actual gas expense and one night of lodging for the Harbor Springs Area Assembly meeting made and approved.

Brian V. talked about the 70x7 services. They provide addiction treatment and community reentry for former inmates, AA and Alano meetings , and many other 12 step meetings available. 70x7 has acquired the Emmanuel Baptist church as a meeting location. Brian is asking for volunteers to sit on the advisory board to determine what can be offered.

Amber B. needs more people to increase the Pi/CPC committee – please help.

Melissa L offered her amends and reported on her progress towards growth.

Motion to closed.

Meeting closed at 7:20