

DISTRICT 28 MINUTES

JANUARY 12, 2020

OPEN:- DCM BOB M. opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer , the Declaration of Unity and the Responsibility Statement.

NEW GSR:- Cory was a visitor from the Crystal River Group.

ROLL:- The following groups were represented:- Attitude Adjustment, Crystal River, Holder Way Of Life, Miracles, Real Happy Hour, Sober sand Gnats, Women's Friendship and Women's New Beginnings.

TREASURER:- Linda A. presented a report for the previous month showing an operating surplus of \$198.63 and a closing balance of \$6032.82. This figure includes the Pink Can ending balance of\$779.36. Linda's report was accepted and will be submitted for audit at year's end.

ARCHIVES;- Chair Dean B attended the Area Assembly and was invited to co chair the Archives Committee at the Florida State 2020 Convention in Jacksonville. He will be doing a presentation on District 28 at the State Workshop in Winter Park on February 22<sup>nd</sup>.

MEN'S CORRECTIONS:-Chair Bob M talked about Bridging the Gap and thanked all volunteers.

GRAPEVINE:- Denis S. attended the Grapevine workshop at the Area Asssembly and found all relevant information about Displays and Subscription procedures.

LITERATURE:- Chair Gina S attended the Workshop at the Area assembly and found new interesting publications about people like Nell Wing etc. Gave information on a three ring binder for sixty nine pamphlets.

CPC/PI :- Janet B. has been working with the following:-Langley Health, Access Health, Welcome Center Inverness, The Sheriff's Station, The Chronicle, State Probation and Parole and the SW Central Driver Improvement Center.

TREATMENT:- Chair Lisa B. attended the Treatment Workshop at the Area Assembly and was informed of the Bridging the Gap program by the Area Chair. She has reached out to the Springs Rehab in Lecanto and will shortly contact the Grace House and the Path.

DCM:- Bob M. said he had spoken to DCM's from neighboring Districts at the Area Assembly and had invited them to share in some Events with us. He said he was impressed by the new video version of the Big Book which is in Sign Language featuring actors, not real AA members, to protect Anonymity. He was made aware of new software to help younger members feel comfortable and had heard of a new Guide to working the Steps which may be coming soon.

OLD BUSINESS:- There was a discussion of possible small changes to the Structures and Guidelines.

NEW BUSINESS:- it will be necessary to complete a financial audit soon and this will require the presence of the DCM and two GSR's.

A MOTION TO CLOSE WAS ACCEPTED

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**Tradition One and Checklist:** Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon AA unity. 1. Am I in my group a healing, mending, integrating person, or am I divisive? What about gossip and taking other members' inventories? 2. Am I a peacemaker? Or do I, with pious preludes such as "just for the sake of discussion," plunge into argument? 3. Am I gentle with those who rub me the wrong way, or am I abrasive? 4. Do I make competitive AA remarks, such as comparing one group with another or contrasting AA in one place with AA in another? 5. Do I put down some AA activities as if I were superior for not participating in this or that aspect of AA? 6. Am I informed about AA as a whole? Do I support, in every way I can, AA as a whole, or just the parts I understand and approve of? 7. Am I as

considerate of AA members as I want them to be of me? 8. Do I spout platitudes about love while indulging in and secretly justifying behavior that bristles with hostility? 9. Do I go to enough AA meetings or read enough AA literature to really keep in touch? 10. Do I share with AA all of me, the bad and the good, accepting as well as giving the help of fellowship? 6

**Concept I and Checklist:** Final responsibility and ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship. • Does our group have a general service representative (G.S.R.)? Do we feel that our home group is part of A.A. as a whole and do our group's decisions and actions reflect that? • Do we hold regular group conscience meetings encouraging everyone to participate? Do we pass that conscience on to the district, area, or the local intergroup meetings? • Is the "collective conscience" of Alcoholics Anonymous at work in my home group? In my area? • Where do we fit in the upside-down triangle of A.A.? • Are we willing to do what it takes to insure that our democracy of world service will work under all conditions?