

District 13 General Service Meeting Minutes
May 6, 2025 @ 7:00 pm

Opened with the Responsibility Statement at 7:00 pm.

Introductions: 21 were present; None on Google meets. Sign-in sheet went around as well as the sign-up for the Anoka County Fair Volunteering.

Concept V: Read by Scott S. Sue L. will take Concept VI for next month

Officer's Reports:

Secretary

- April minutes approved with a motion by Sue. L, 2nd motion by Lenny.

Treasurer

- Krissy presented the financial report. Report was approved with a motion by Shaun, 2nd motion by Scott S.

Alt DCM

- No report

DCM

- Barb attended the Southern Mn. Area Assembly and Delegates Workshop on April 12 from 9:00am to 4:00pm. A new Area 36 Treasurer was elected. They broke up into small groups at separate tables and discussed and gave Doug H., feedback and recommendations on the agenda items that were addressed at the 74th Annual General Service Conference this past April 27- May 3. Doug H. will give his delegates report next month at our District 13 meeting on June 3.
- Barb wrote the DCM report for the Pigeon which has been published. Barb will be submitting a new report to the Pigeon before the upcoming Area Committee meeting on May 10.
- Barb reserved the gym at the Coon Rapids Methodist Church for November 16, not the 9th, for the Gratitude Celebration. The room was not available on the 9th. We will have food refreshments and cake as well as an AA speaker and an AI-Anon speaker at the celebration. The flyer for this event will come out early September of this year. This is an opportunity to thank all the GSR's for their service!
- Rachel reported she did attend the Senior Expo that occurred on April 5.
- Our Steering Committee meeting was cancelled on April 28th due to the threat of bad weather. Barb did send the officers and chairs her outline for that meeting by email.

Commitment – “A Word About Commitment” was read by Shaun.

Intergroup Report: Andy from Intergroup was present and gave this update:

- Mirus is out.
- He brought contribution forms for those people and groups interested in doing service work at the Intergroup Office. 3rd MONDAY NIGHT: 7:00pm-9:30pm open to answer phones each month and 4th TUESDAY NIGHT: 7:00pm-9:30pm open to answer phones each month. If interested? Please call the Intergroup Office.
- Gratitude Night was a great event! Rose was the speaker. Dancing, photo booth, service tables well represented. ICYPAA was well represented. They represent young people in AA.
- The Gopher State Round-Up is coming up and Intergroup has a hospitality suite. There are time slots available to sit at the hospitality suite. Sign up your groups! There is: Friday night 7:00pm-9:00 pm open. Friday there are also 2 time slots from 9:00pm-11:00pm open. And, on Saturday, there are two time slots open from 8:00am-10:00am to volunteer at the suite.
- March Finances are indicating that we are beginning to trend upward, slowly but surely. You can become a Grateful Giver donating \$5 or \$10 or more to Intergroup, and don't forget the Birthday Plan.
- Cups and merchandise are for sale at Intergroup.

FOCUS: Eric M. from Area 36 presented his experience as Finance Chair and discussed Finances in AA.

- Eric offered to give out the GSR's self-support packet available through Area 36.
- Next Saturday, May 17, is the next Area Finance Committee meeting. District Treasurer, GSR's and anyone interested can attend.
- If you would like a quarterly finance letter, please contact finance@area36.org.
- The West Central Forum is coming up September 19-21, 2025. This happens every two years. The Treasurer of the General Service Board will present, there will be "round the picnic table" slides that will point out Area finances, historical data will be shared concerning the 7th tradition and what the annual contributions were in one year for the 2.5 million people in AA. Also presented will be operating expenses in AA.
- Eric discussed the agenda item that our delegate addressed at the Conference on reaffirming cost of inflation. Look forward to Doug H.'s presentation on that agenda item.
- Area 36- finances still remain pretty steady.

Committee Reports

- Accessibilities – **Open**
- Archives – **Open**
- Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) – **Open**
- Corrections – **Tim D.** Tim chaired his third meeting at the Lino Lakes Prison. Six people in attendance from the facility. Tony H. and Scott S. are almost ready to go and their paper work has been done to speak. The people that are attending the meeting are ready to be released. It is a very low security and non-threatening environment. Women can volunteer to speak as well. A question was asked: How many people can speak at one time? Tim was not sure and was going to ask.
- Grapevine – **Open**
- Group Outreach – **Open**
- Group Records – **Open**
- Literature – **Christine S.** Christine supplied pamphlets for the Senior Expo. Christine attended the Area Assembly and Delegates Workshop April 12. There will be Literature updates in the Delegates Report. The 5th Addition of the Big Book is coming out! And many groups are forming to discuss the Plain Language Big Book!
- Public Information – **Open**
- Technology – **Chris S.** Chris introduced himself as the new District 13 Technology Chair. Chris will be submitting a mockup of the new District Web page for the June 3 District meeting. We will be getting a new domain and format! Thank you, Chris!
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- Treatment – **Jordan S.** Jordan reports that (1) Allina **Out-Patient** is looking for speaker's **1st Monday** (Cindy F. attending now) and **last Tuesday** (Vince F. attending now) both at **10:00 am**. (2) **Anoka Care** is looking for speakers on **Saturdays at 6:00 pm**. (3) Canvas Health- May not work out because they want to have people do training videos etc. Vince spoke there Wednesday at 11:00 am. (4) **New Heights Sober House-** Chad F. spoke there. (5) **Transformation House in Fridley-** Speakers needed **Mondays and Fridays at 6:00 pm**. Need both male and female speakers.
- **Old Business:** Area Assembly/Delegates Workshop was on April 12; 74th Annual General Service Conference was on April 27th-May 3; Gopher State Round-Up is coming up on May 23, 2025 at the Double Tree in Bloomington; Lino Lakes Meeting- 2nd Tuesday and 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm
- **New Business:**

Gratitude Celebration: November 16th from 2-5PM. It will be held at the Coon Rapids Methodist Church and in the gym.

Delegates Report: Doug. H., our delegate will bring us his report June 3, 2025 at the next District Meeting! Please attend!

Secretary Officer Position open: Anyone interested and willing to stand for this position will be able to do so at the August 5th District Meeting. We will vote on a new Secretary then.

- **GSR Sharing/ Reports. No one gave a report.**
- **Anniversaries-** no one celebrating an anniversary
- **District 13 Steering Committee meeting is May 26th. This is Memorial Day but we are still meeting at 6:30 pm at the Panera Riverdale, 3540 River Rapids Dr., Coon Rapids, Mn. 55448'**
- **District 13 Meeting is June 3, 2025 at 7:00 pm Coon Rapids Methodist Church. NOTE: No District meeting in JULY.**
- **Area Committee Meeting May 10, 2025 on-line from 9:30am-5:00pm.**
- **Area Assembly June 21, 2025 Winona, Mn. 9:00am-4:00pm in-person and on-line.**
- **Joint Area 35/36 Committee Meeting: July 12, 2**

Closed with the Declaration of Unity.