



OFFICERS		Present*	Rpt
Delegate	Cathy T.	P	R
Alt Delegate	Don B.	P	
Chairperson	Denise M.	P	R
Secretary	Debbie H-F.	P	R
Treasurer	Ann J.	P	R
Active Past Delegates	Cheryl A.	P	R
	Renee H.	E	
	Jim S.	P	
	Carol V.	P	

COORDINATORS		Present*	Rpt
Alateen Coordinator	Open position	n/a	n/a
AAPP	Connie O.	P	R
Archive Coordinator	Karen D.	P	
Assembly Coordinator	Mary S.	P	R
Group Records Coord.	Selwa P.	P	
Literature Coord.	Ferrell N., Cathy T	E	R
Public Outreach Coord	Denise P.	P	
Web Site Coordinator	Sandi H.	P	R
OTHER AREA CONTACTS			
SE WI LDC/AIS Liaison	Mary O.	P	

DISTRICT REPS	Present*	Rpt
1 Brenda M.	P	
2 Laura Q.	P	
3 no DR	n/a	
4 Laura K.	A	
5 Sandra G.	E	
6 Pat S.	A	
7 Sarah M.	P	
8 Jami C.	E	
9 Ann J. (C)	P	R

DISTRICT REPS	Present*	Rpt
10 Mary S. (C)	P	
11 Susan B.	P	
12 Arla P.	P	R
13 Sharyl M. (C)	n/a	
14 no DR	n/a	
15 Heidi B.	P	R
16 Jackie L. (C)	n/a	
17 no DR	n/a	
18 Kelli M.	E	

DISTRICT REPS	Present*	Rpt
19 Mary S.	P	R
20 Diane R.	P	R
21 Karen D.	P	
22 Jaye R.	P	R
23 Cindy W.	A	
24 Bill B.	P	
25 Cindy V.	P	
26 Diane G.	A	
27 Annette R.	A	

* **Present column:** Present, Excused, Absent (unexcused). Contacts are encouraged but not required to attend.

9:04am - CALL TO ORDER by Denise M. followed by a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer

- Reading of the Traditions, Concepts & Warranties**, read around the room
- Introductions & Icebreakers:**
 Played an Ice Cream Cone game with people moving to new place in room.
 Read 2 passages from Courage To Change.
 Introduced ourselves answering a random question pulled out of the Magic Hat.
- Fear Inventory:**
 Fear workshop (based on Concept 9) from WICYPAA, facilitated by Cheryl A.
 Passed out Personal Reflections sheet. Broke into 4 groups and worked on the questions below.
 Each group worked on each question. Responses were read at the end:

- What program tools help us build self-confidence?
- What is a successful leader/trusted servant?
- What fears may impede our self-confidence?
- How can we empower ourselves to be successful leaders/trusted servant?

Secretary will type up the responses and distribute to AWSC along with the script.

In response to information from this workshop, the Secretary will send out updated Officer/Coordinator/DR lists before each AWSC and Assembly.

- Taking a Fear Inventory to your District Meeting and the GR's to their meetings**, Denise M.
 Encouraged people to do a Fear Inventory at their District Meeting.

The Personal inventory is not conference-approved so probably should not be used as a full meeting topic. It can be used with service sponsees. Many of these questions are in the Alateen Inventory on the Members web site.



5. **Review email Policy** – Confirm emails/Policy Manual, Denise M.
 - Email Policy:
 - Are you getting your Area emails? A handful of people have not logged in yet.
 - Web Site Coordinator demonstrated Area webmail forwarding. She is working with the ISP to eliminate the current level of spam.
 - Group Records and Web Site Coordinator are working together to get the group records synced correctly. Please be patient. If there are group changes, send the completed change form to the Group Records Coordinator.
 - E-Communities: Position and contact changes are submitted to the WSO on a regular basis by the Delegate. The WSO is working on getting everyone access.
 - Districts with no DR, with or without a contact person, need help in getting information since they cannot get on to e-Communities.
 - If you have a District meeting list on the web, send updated meeting lists to the Web Site Coordinator. You must also send a Change Form to the Group Records Coordinator.
 - Policy Manual

The revised Policy Manual is on the Area web site; it will be kept current with all changes. There will be an addendum on the site tracking changes. A printed copy will be available at the Spring Assembly for Officers, Coordinators, DRs and one for each group.
6. **Minutes from the Prior AWSC Meeting** on 8/4/2012, Debbie H-F.

Please give all reports to the Secretary, preferably by email.
*Motion made to accept the minutes as presented (by Karen D., seconded by Mary S.). **Motion carried.***
7. **Treasurer's Report**, Ann J.

Recovery Orgs contribution of \$300 is from the Green Lake Al-Anon Adult Child Workshop. The Policy Committee decided to obtain a Wisconsin Class B Raffle License, \$25 per year.
The Secretary will email the Raffle information to the AWSC, sent 3/3/2013.
*Motion made to approve the financial reports to take to the Assembly as presented (by Cheryl A., seconded by Jaye R.). **Motion carried.***
8. **Officer Reports**, see the attendance list at the beginning for reports given
Copies of reports given were distributed to the AWSC separately. Chair stipulated that if you do not submit your report by the deadline, you will not be able to read it.
Delegate: Total contribution amount to the WSO from Area 61 in 2012 was \$17,373.27 from 221 groups.
9. Passed envelope to donate Love Money to the new Delegate (to cover her extra expenses at the WSC). Given to Cathy T. at end of meeting.
(Note from the Delegate, "Thank you so much for this financial support.")

11:56am – 1:09pm – Lunch



10. **Coordinator Reports**, see the attendance list at the beginning for reports given

- AAPP: If someone in your District wants to become an AMIAS, they should get in touch with Connie O. She will work with them directly.
- Alateen Coordinator: Chair is working on filling this open position.
- Assembly Coordinator: District 2, 5, & 22 are hosting the 2013 Spring Assembly. District 11 is hosting the Fall Assembly. We need hosts for the 2014 Spring Assembly.
- Literature Report: Cathy T. read a notification from the WSO on literature cost increases effective May 1st. This will include some items that were previously free. A new Al-Anon workbook is coming in July, 2013, *Reaching for Personal Freedom-Living the Legacies (P-92)*. An e-book edition of *Having Had a Spiritual Awakening* will be released soon. *Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism 2013* will begin to arrive by mid-March.
- Al-Anon 2013 International Convention Reminder: July 5-7, 2013 in Vancouver, by Cathy T.

11. **Selection of Action Committee Members**, Denise M.

Fellowship Communications - Districts 2, 19, 11, Past Delegate-Jim S.
Group Services - Districts 9, 12, 21, 25, Past Delegate-Carol V
Membership Outreach - Districts 1, 7, 22, 24, Past Delegate-Renee H.
Public Outreach - Districts 6, 15, 20, Past Delegate-Cheryl A.

12. **Action Committees Met**

13. **Action Committee Reports**

Fellowship Communications, Susan B.

Discussed Forum Writing workshops, how to use them more effectively. Discussed “recycling” old literature by distributing them at various places.

Group Services, Karen D.

We will be mailing a letter to unrepresented groups in District 13, 14, 16 & 17 (have not had representation for at least 9 years). Question to all DRs: Are you sending all materials you receive to all groups in your District on a timely-basis?

Membership Outreach, Jaye R..

Goal is to update GR/DR orientation packet and post them on the web site. Can the GR orientation be done at the District-level and can the DR orientation be done at the AWSC.

Public Outreach, Denise P.

Discussed Meeting on Wheels at different types of institutions. Plan to send press releases to all media in WI and Upper Michigan every 6 weeks related to a current issue. Mentioned BlogTalk radio (up to 3 hrs./day of radio time) and other ways to disseminate information.

*Special Project request was made for up to \$300 to purchase a current media list. If the WSO already has it, the money will not be used (by Heidi B. seconded by Brenda M.). **Motion carried.***

Question raised if Special Project money was approved in a prior year but not used, is it still available? Yes

14. **District Reports**, see the attendance list at the beginning for reports received/given.

15. **Questions from District Reports**, Denise M.

How do you help pay for member’s registration to Assembly if they cannot pay? *Pass a basket for a Scholarship Fund, ice cream social.*

What if you have no DR for District? *Group Services is working on this for Unrepresented Districts.*



BUSINESS

1. **TEAM Event Feedback**, Jaye R. read report from the TEAM Chair, Rhonda P.
Recommendation is to explore having an Area 61 conference/convention rotating on different years with a TEAM Event. A Thought Force was created to study this. Members are: Denise M., Jaye R., Brenda M., Diane R., and Connie O.

Question asked: What is a Thought Force versus Task Force? *A Thought Force uses KDBM to gather information regarding an issue. It does not take action/create anything.*
2. **Web Site Task Force Report**, Debbie H-F.
Life happened and we did not meet our initial deadline of December 31, 2012. Debbie H-F and Wanda S. are working on a design. Phase 1 is to migrate the existing functionality to an easier-to-use, more modern looking site using WordPress. Let Debbie know if you are interested in volunteering for this project.
3. **Annual Audit**, Cathy T.
The annual audit was performed by Cathy T. and Ann J. and we passed. The current balance in our checkbook is \$21,153.57 which includes a total of \$3,788.95 for North Central Regional Delegate Meeting registrations and expenses. (Area 61 is hosting the N. Central Regional Delegates Meeting, March 15-17.)
4. **Wisconsin Raffle License**, see Treasurer's Report
5. **Redistricting to Include More Unrepresented Groups**, Cathy T.
Some Districts (13, 14, 16, 17) in Area 61 have not had representation for more than 9 years. The Group Services Committee will be reviewing options for servicing the unrepresented groups.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Assembly is coming up May 17-18. The next AWSC meeting will be August 3, 2013.

To commemorate Lois W's birthday on Monday, March 4th, please consider leaving a piece of Al-Anon literature in an appropriate place.

3:30pm - MEETING ADJOURNED by Denise M. closed with the Al-Anon Declaration
*Motion made to adjourn the meeting (by Don B., seconded by Selwa P.). **Motion carried.***

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Harvey-Frederiksen
Area 61 Secretary, Term 2013-2015

Note: *These minutes are not official until approved by the AWSC.*