District 25 Meeting on Saturday, February 4, 2023

Present: Brenda L (DR), Meg L (GR for Eastside AFG), Maggie E (District Treasurer), Jess (Sunday Serenity-Newark), Penny, Maggie G. (Living in the Solution/intergroup rep)

Brenda chaired the meeting; this was our first hybrid meeting!

Maggie E. read the 12 traditions, Maggie G. read the 12 concepts, and Meg read the general warranties of the conference.

Secretary: Jess read the minutes from last month's meeting. There was a correction regarding the date of the last AIS meeting that she will make; the minutes were approved. The district is still in need of a secretary (this position remains vacant). Meg volunteered to take the minutes for today's meeting.

Treasurer: Maggie reported our current balance is \$993.75; this is unchanged from last month.

It was noted during the meeting that our district budget may need to include donations to the church in the future.

District Representative (DR):

Brenda reported that AIS asks for a donation of \$3.00 per month if their zoom account is used. After group discussion, Jess made the following motion:

District 25 will pay AIS \$36.00 to cover the cost of using the zoom account for one year. We will reevaluate our use of zoom as needed. If the zoom account is not used for the entire 12 months, the remaining funds will be a donation to AIS.

Meg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The new AIS website is up and running. It has an events page; there are several upcoming events:

---March 3rd-5th Flower City Fellowship Convention. This is an AA event with Al-Anon participation. Registration fee is \$35.00. It is being held at the Double Tree in Henrietta this year.

---March 18th Area World Service Committee (AWSC) meeting will be held via zoom. Brenda will attend.

---April 28-30th Conference of the Lakes will be held in Pen Yann.

---May 19th-21st NYN Spring Convention. This will be a hybrid meeting. We are hoping all of the 8 meetings in our district will be represented.

Brenda and Meg attended the AIS meeting in January. Brenda and Maggie E. attended the Outreach Committee meeting in January. (Both meetings were held via zoom).

Next District Meeting:

There was discussion about the date of our next meeting. Maggie E. moved that there be no meeting in March, and that the next meeting be held on Saturday, April 1, 2023 at 10:30 am at the Fairport United Methodist Church as a hybrid meeting. Meg seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously.

District 25 Outreach Event:

There was discussion about choosing a date for the event in early Spring. Brenda moved to hold the event on Saturday, April 15, 2023, at the Fairport United Methodist Church. Jess seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously.

Plan is for organizers to arrive at 9:00am to set up. Suggested time for guests will be 9:15 to 11:30am. There will be no registration, but we will have a voluntary sign-in sheet. We will not be asking for donations. We will have coffee and simple refreshments.

This event will have dual purposes: (1) Fellowship with Al-Anon members (2) Outreach to newcomers.

Many ideas were suggested:

---Have AIS booklets available for people to take.

---Invite people to bring excess literature from their groups.

---Form letters to give to professionals ---Allow individuals to speak briefly (e.g., 2 minutes at the microphone) ---Possibly tie in with Al-A-Teen in some way (Maureen is the Al-A-Teen chair for AIS) ---Maggie E. spoke about adopting libraries ---Maggie G spoke about meetings being held by volunteers at Norris clinic and Jennifer House

We would like to have speakers at the event. Carol C, the NYN chairperson, has volunteered to speak; Brenda will contact her. Possibly members of the Outreach Committee would be willing to speak; Brenda will reach out to Dennis, the committee chairperson.

Brenda has a list of contacts from the Outreach Committee and has included them in District 25 emails.

We will finish planning the event at our next meeting.

The meeting was closed with the Al-Anon Declaration.