

District 19 & 20 Meeting|

March 18, 2023

In attendance:

Cheryl H. – Traditions - District Secretary

Kathy A. – Renewell - WIS Chair

Janice S. - El Paso GR– Derby

Prisca L. – Buscando Libertad GR

Linda M. – Finding Hope GR

Bill Mc. – New Beginnings – Dist. Treas.

Ana Maria – Phoenix GR

Leticia A. – Renacer GR

Mary Jane – Westside GR

Jorinda B. – Dist. 19 Rep

Lucy C. – Traditions

Joyce H. – Clearwater – WIS Treas.

Tony C – Serenidad - RSI

Maria O. – AIS Hispanic

Dorothy – ReNewell GR

Marsha V. – Young Hearts GR

Tom F. – New Beginnings GR

Jorinda opened today's meeting. Tami is recovering from knee surgery. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

Lucy read the traditions and Linda read the concepts.

Last months minutes were accepted by all.

Treasury Reports:

District Treasury – Bill Mc.

Bill handed out thank you notes to the groups for their donations. He also had a Christmas card from Terry he passed around. He handed out the treasury reports for January and March along with the bank statements. It was brought up by Joyce that it was decided last meeting that the bank statements were no longer needed, but we would do an annual audit by a third party once a year on each treasury report. Kathy A. has agreed to do the audits on the district, WIS and LDC treasury accounts.

WIS – Treasury – Joyce H.

Joyce handed out her treasury report. Ending balance \$402.12.

LDC – Treasury - Jorinda B.

Jorinda handed out her treasury reports along with bank statements for both January and March since she wasn't at January's meeting. Their ending balance is \$582.14, however they have an outstanding check out for over \$575.99 for book purchases. The office that they rent from waived their February rent of \$200 since they didn't have the funds. LDC is in desperate need of donations.

Treasury documents attached to email.

Old Business:

Annual Conference

The 50th annual Al-anon and Alateen Conference will be held June 9 – 11, 2023 in Wichita at the Drury Broadview Hotel. Since we are the host city, we encourage all our groups to go the conference. We also encourage folks to stay at the hotel as the more rooms that are booked, the better pricing we get for conference. For people who stay in the hotel, breakfast and an evening 'kickback' meal is included.

There are a couple of options for registering for the conference. One is by mail. The registration flyer is attached to the email. The second option is by going to the Kansas Website: www.kansas-al-anon.org. There you can register online, pay online and even book your room online. If you have any questions regarding the conference, please contact the conference chair at conf-chair@kansas-al-anon.org.

We would like to ask the groups to do the following for the conference:

1. Bring snacks for the hospitality room.
2. Have one or two groups coordinate a meal in the hospitality room for Saturday evening.
If you are wanting to do that, please contact the hospitality coordinator at conf-hospitality@kansas-al-anon.org.
3. A group to volunteer to decorate the tables at the conference.
If you are interested in doing that, please contact the conference chair at conf-chair@kansas-al-anon.org.
4. Bring a themed gift basket for the lucky chance drawing that will be raffled off Saturday evening. (It needs to include a piece of CAL literature.) Proceeds help fund the conference.
The basket that receives the most tickets entries wins \$100.00.

New Business:

KBDM – Jorinda

Jorinda brought up the KBDM to set up a thought force/task force to discuss the future of the LDC center in Wichita.

The LDC is located in a building on South Broadway. Here are some of the issues the LDC is having.

1. The door stays locked all of them time. You have to knock on the door to get.
2. Some people are leery of the neighborhood it's located in.
3. It is only open 1 day a week from 10 – 3 due to lack of volunteers.
4. They are barely breaking even and now many people order books online.

These people to agreed to be on this task force: Lucy – Chair, Jorinda, Bill, Linda, Marsha and Deb. Lucy will coordinate meetings on this and will bring it back to the next meeting.

Donations from District

It was motioned by Kathy to give \$100 love gift to Terry the delegate for WSOC in April. Marsha second and all approved. It was motioned by Mary Jane to give \$200 to the LDC to assist with their rent. Ana Maria second and all approved. It was motioned by Mary Jane to do two Lucky Chance Baskets for the conference. One for each district at \$100 each. Joyce second and all approved. Cheryl will be building these baskets.

Joyce reminded everyone about the WIS initiative for the Public Outreach plan. She shared many of the posters, bookmarks, and other things available to distribute. Please include our WIS number on them so people know where to contact them.

Reminder, for any group changes such as meeting time, GR, location, etc. Please send the changes to your district rep. She will in turn notify group records that will update the WSO and Tina in Wichita to be update the schedule.

Maria from the Hispanic AIS noticed their AIS number was not on the top of Wichita directory. Jorinda will give that information to Tina. She also was asking questions about the Hispanic AIS giving a treasury report as they have not done that. They didn't know they were supposed to. Jorinda is going to get Maria in touch with Mary Jo so they can discuss what should be done.

Cheryl brought up the fact that at the Wichita Fall Roundup (AA), they will be doing an Al-Anon countdown along with their AA countdown. Jorinda volunteered to donate a book "Lois Remembers" for the countdown.

The new service manuals were handed out to the groups. The district voted to purchase one service manual for each group. The Hispanic groups ordered their and will be reimbursed by the district for those. Any group wanting a second manual will need to purchase them on their own.

****Reminder**** This is the last year of the 3-year rotation for officers for groups and the Area. Please try to have group elections by November so they can be announce at the Area Assembly. Also, anyone interested in a position at the area level, please attend the Area Assembly in May to get more information.

Upcoming Events:

- **Area Assembly** May 5 & 6th in Salina. Please have your GR's or alternate there to vote for your group.
- **June Conference**, June 9 – 11, Wichita. Please get as many to attend as possible.
- **International Al-Anon Convention**, June 29 – July 2, Albuquerque, NM.

Group Reports:

We ran out of time, so we only got a couple of quick group reports.

Renacer – Leticia – They will be celebrating their anniversary April 15th & 16th. Meeting times are still the same. They also still use WhatsApp to share meetings.

Buscando Libertad – Prisca – 15 members.

We are open Friday 6 pm, Saturday 9 am. On March 1st, three members shared the program at Higher Ground Rehab. Some members are studying the concepts, they are on concept 4. Others are doing 12 steps, they are on the 1st step. Members from our group went to Kansas City do a workshop for members from Kansas City. Our group play Mexican Lottery to collect money for the intergroup expenses.

Next meeting will be May 20th, 1 pm at ReNewell.

Jorinda closed with the declaration.