

Approved Minutes
NA by Phone Area Meeting
1:50 pm Eastern, Saturday, December 14, 2019

Camilla L, Temporary Secretary filling in until Jimmie D, Temporary Chair, arrived, opened the meeting with the We Version of the Serenity Pray, Dorothy S read the Service Prayer and Brian YellowEyes read the 2nd Tradition.

GSR Roll Call: Brian YellowEyes, GSR and Dorothy S, GSRA for Our Gratitude Speaks, Suzanne B, GSRA for The Bridge and Terry R, GSR for Recovery Thru Aging & Illness.

Member Roll Call: Camilla L-Loving Our Long-Timers, Therese T-One Primary Purpose, Dale S-The Bridge and Phil-The Bridge and later, Jimmie D-Our Gratitude Speaks.

Minutes: Minutes for 11th Area Meeting held November 9, 2019, were read by Temporary Secretary Camilla. And after extensive discussion over the wording of the proposal for groups to reference NAbyPhone.com in their formats in both the cover memo and the unapproved minutes, the sentence was changed and the minutes were approved with the one amendment. GSR's and all interested parties will receive copies of minutes.

Group Reports

The Bridge: Suzanne B, GSRA, reports The Bridge meets seven nights a week and is doing well. The Bridge is taking a couple of slots during the holiday marathons. They have a new website, thebridgena.com. The old website thebridgena.org is no longer being used. Dale S is administering their website. They are excited at having international access for their meetings and will give NAbyPhone.com their list of international numbers. They could use more trusted servants.

Recovery Thru Aging and Illness: Terry R, GSR, reports they are struggling for participation. They have a speaker every other week. Doing fairly well.

Jimmie D arrived and took over position of Chairperson.

One Primary Purpose: Therese T reported that all meetings are being covered and doing well. The disruptive person attended their meeting and was offered the chance to talk after the meeting in the parking lot.

Loving Our Long-Timers: Meeting is going very well with 10 to 25 members attendees and downloads of former speakers numbering in the hundreds. There are so many potential speakers, the group is considering a second meeting each week. LOL is taking slots during the holiday marathons. LOL has decided to use the Q&A function on Free Conference Call HD if the disruptive person calls in because he has attacked our speakers in the past. We do not want to lock our board.

Our Gratitude Speaks: Brian YellowEyes reports about 10 members attending with 6 sharing regularly. Although there is not much participation of people sharing, the group and the meetings are solid. There is about 15 years average of clean time and lots of recovery in their group. They study the literature. OGS is not participating in the marathons.

Old Business

Elections: The groups cast their votes for the nominees to officer positions. Terry R abstained because Recovery Thru Aging & Illness did not have a business meeting. Brian gave Our Gratitude Speaks votes: Yes for Jimmie D for Chairperson, No for Therese for Vice Chair, Yes for Camilla for Secretary, No for Suzanne for Treasurer. Suzanne for The Bridge stated they didn't discuss so she has to abstain. Because only one group was ready to vote, the elections will be postponed until next meeting in January.

Since only one GSR is prepared to vote on the other two proposals, changing Webmaster to Webservant and asking groups to consider mentioning NAbyPhone.com in their formats, those also will be brought up in January.

New Business

Suzanne for The Bridge nominates Dale S for Webmaster. Therese asks about Dale's qualifications. Dale responds (CD: 3.12.84), he has held every service position at the area level, held Phonline Chair, Outreach Chair and H&I Chair as well as RD for two years and RDA for three years at the regional level, was world

H&I for 7 years and helped start Outreach at world level, was involved in writing Outreach handbook and Institutional Group Guide. He and Phil have been involved in creating several websites for NA including the Upper Cumberland Area History website and the new Bridge website. He has an NA sponsor and starting in January will be working the steps and traditions with a dictionary for the 36th time. For 12 years during his recovery his home groups have been in penitentiaries. He life is NA and he lives for NA. He believes in the Phonelines, they are his salvation and he and Phil want to create a comprehensive website that will meet all of our needs to present the phone lines to the world.

Phil (CD: 10.11.99) is from the Georgia Region. Has been Public Info area chair and been webmaster for Georgia regional website, works on websites professionally and has been working with Dale for years creating NA websites. Has a sponsor and a home group. Web design is how he serves.

Open Forum

Pierre A from Vermont asks to be recognized as an interested member in attendance. His clean date is 1.13.14 and he is new to the phone line meetings. We welcome him.

Jimmie D will serve as Temporary Chair and Camilla L will serve as Temporary Secretary next month.

Next meeting will be on Saturday, January 11, at 1:30 pm E, 12:30p C, 11:30a M and 10:30a P on NA by Phone Area number 605.313.5145, 352188#, Playback: 605.313.5153, 352188#. Anyone who wants copies of the minutes can contact Camilla from Chicago at 773-905-8148 to receive copies.

Suggestion made for all members to ask other GSR's to attend the next meeting.

Jimmie D closed the meeting with the We version of the Serenity Prayer at 3:05pm Eastern.