

Approved Minutes
NA by Phone Area Meeting
1:40 pm Eastern, Saturday, January 11, 2020

Jimmie D, Temporary Chair asked Camilla L, Temporary Secretary to open the meeting which she did with the We Version of the Serenity Pray, Terry R read the Service Prayer and Pierre AS read the 2nd Tradition.

GSR Roll Call: Terry R, GSR for Recovery Thru Aging & Illness, Brian YellowEyes, GSR for Our Gratitude Speaks, Tara F, new GSR and Lin A, new GSRA for Loving Our Long-Timers, Suzanne B, GSRA for The Bridge and Natalie, new GSR for One Primary Purpose. Welcome to Natalie.

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

Minutes: Minutes for the Area Meeting held December 14, 2019, were read by Camilla. With the correction of Pierre's clean date, the minutes were approved as read. GSR's and all interested parties will receive copies of minutes.

Suzanne from The Bridge proposes that minutes not be read unless a correction is needed. The others unanimously disagreed and Suzanne withdrew her proposal. The minutes will continue to be read.

Group Reports

Loving Our Long-Timers: Tara F, GSR, reports the meeting is going well with 15 to 30 attendees. They are still considering a second meeting weekly. LOL presented NA history at the holiday marathons which was very well received.

Recovery Thru Aging and Illness: Terry R, GSR, reports they are meeting every week. They have a speaker every other week. Lin A is moderating and Terry is chairing. They are doing fairly well with about 10 people in attendance.

Our Gratitude Speaks: Brian YellowEyes reports about 10 members attending with 6 sharing regularly. They meet seven days a week at 8:30 am Eastern. Although there is not much participation of people sharing, the group and the meetings are solid. There is about 15 years average experience in their group. OGS is considering changing their phone number to make the meeting accessible for International callers.

The Bridge: Suzanne B, GSRA, reports The Bridge meets seven nights a week at 8:00pm Eastern and is doing well. They have a new website, thebridgena.com. She believes it is linked to NAbyPhone.com. Pierre AS has been voted in as Chairperson/Coordinator for their Saturday night meeting.

One Primary Purpose: Natalie reported that they meet seven days a week at 10:30 am Eastern except for Sunday which is at 2:00pm. All meetings are literature studies. All meetings are being covered and doing well. Effective January 20 they will have a new phone number: 712-775-7035, 753870#. As a group they have decided if the disruptive person is causing problems, they will mute the whole room and read literature. Therese adds that there are 10 to 20 people attending their meetings.

Camilla requests the groups forward to NAbyPhone.com their list of international dial-in numbers for inclusion on the website.

Old Business

Elections: Therese withdraws her nomination for Vice-Chairperson. With only one nomination for each position, the candidates are Jimmie D for Chairperson, Camilla L for Secretary, Suzanne B for Treasurer and Dale S with the assistance of Phil G as Web Master. The groups cast their votes: Brian YellowEyes for Our Gratitude Speaks, Suzanne B for the Bridge, Lin A for Loving Our Long-Timers, Terry R for Recovery thru Aging and Illness all vote Yes for each of the candidates. Natalie, since she is new, abstains from voting because she is unaware of her Group's desires. All officers were elected unanimously. Hurray!!!

Consensus was to change the title Web Master to Web Servant in our policy. Since proposal concerning mentioning NAbyPhone.com in group formats last

month was changed to be worded as a suggestion only, there is no vote to be taken.

New Business

Jimmy D suggests we consider and discuss meeting once a year in a geographical location so we can meet each other face to face. What A Way to Start a Day is celebrating their 10th Anniversary at the Panama City Convention, Fun in the Sun, April 16-19.

Open Forum

Pierre AS congratulates the Area on having reached this milestone but also points out that we still have a lot of work ahead of us. This is an opportunity for us to really make a difference.

Brian YellowEyes informs group that the NA Super Speaker Fest is going to be happening in Atlanta on March 6-8. There will be 54 Speakers with more than 30 years experience each. If you can't attend, go to NASuperSpeakerFest.com and stream it live or catch it on their YouTube channel.

Dale S would like to have contact information for all members of the area so he can solicit input for the new website. Camilla will give it to him.

Next meeting will be on Saturday, February 8, 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.

Jimmie D closed the meeting with the We version of the Serenity Prayer at 2:53pm Eastern.