

**Al-Anon District 1 Meeting. Saturday, February 12, 2022. 1:30 – 3 p.m.
In-person at St. Stephen Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall.**

Present: [9 people present]

Katy M.-DR, **Susan R.** Treasurer; **Erik R.**-Literature Coordinator, **Adrienne A.**- Alateen Coordinator and GR for Saturday 10 am Let Go and Let God, **Carole L.**, GR for Tuesday 630-830 Northside, **Carol B.** GR for Sunday 3 pm First Things First; **Mary P.** GR for Tuesday 12 noon Serenity; **Susan K.** GR for Thursday noon Hope for Today; **Nancy H.** DISL.

Meeting opened with a reading of the 3 Legacies, 12 Steps, Traditions, Concepts of Service and Warranties of the Conference starting at 1:32.

Introductions by name.

Minutes of the November 13, 2021, District meeting were examined and approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

- The report was examined and approved unanimously.
- Discussion of upcoming expenses: Susan reminded us that in 2022 we will have two in-person Assembly meetings that we will need to pay travel for our DR to attend. \$200 in the past for each [future will be more expensive]
- We will likely have a Gratitude Luncheon. \$230 spent for this last year [future will be more expensive due to sharp rise in food costs]
- Susan R. will bring suggested new budget number for the District for 2022 to our next District meeting, for discussion and approval.
- Susan will research what our donations have been made to the Area and the WSO in the past and recommend an amount at our next meeting.

Literature Report

- 1 sale of \$80.00 was recorded for the period November 13, 2021, to February 12, 2022. \$42, cash, of that was given to the Sunday 1st Things 1st meeting because the District ran out of copies of the *HFT* (B-27) daily reader and Erik used their copies to fill that part of the order; \$38, cash, given to District 1 Treasurer as the part of the order that could be filled by the District literature supply, 4 copies of *How Al-Anon Works* (B-32) @ \$7

each=\$28; 5 *Welcome Newcomers* Packets (K-10) @1.60 each=\$8; and \$1 for 5 *Just For Today* and 5 *Just For Tonight* bookmarks at 10¢ each; \$1 of change back was returned as a freewill donation from the purchaser, the Thursday noon Hope for Today AFG.

- The approved purchase of 6 boxes (150 copies total) of *Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism* was not completed because Erik wanted to discuss with the Treasurer and District Representative what our District could afford, going forward, for this calendar year. The same is true for replacing our almost sold-out supplies of *How Al-Anon Works* (B-32) and *Hope for Today* (B-27)
- Erik was asked about progress on the District 1 volunteer project to produce the literature table for our August 2022 Area 9 convention in Orlando. There remain many unanswered questions about funding and transporting the approved list of literature, and the quantities of each title. Cindy J. has agreed to present a plan she and I worked out to the officers of Area 9. That plan requests that the Area fund the literature purchase up to \$3,500. I have divided the literature to be ordered into 12 lots so that all of our other Districts can claim 1 lot (or possibly, more), get the money to buy it from the Area, bring it to the convention (in a timely manner), and bring any unsold literature that they have bought back to their own District at the end of the convention. The funds produced by the sold literature will be forwarded to the Area to partially reimburse them for funding the purchase. Erik's plan includes that District 1 will pick up any unclaimed lots and order/bring them to the convention and keep unsold literature for our District literature sales. Erik's plan also includes that only the literature on the list is to be brought to the convention. He has already been offered several titles, from different Districts, of literature that they have been unable to sell over a long period of time.

Alateen Report

- The Let Go and Let God meeting on Saturdays at 10 a.m., at which the Alateen meeting will take place as well, has moved to Lafayette Presbyterian Church on Mahan Drive a little past the Costco Warehouse.

District 1 Website [Colleen was not present at this meeting but sent an inquiry via DR Katy M]

Should our website continue to have a sentence about Al-Anon not being for people whose loved one is addicted to drugs?

- Discussion centered on the ideas expressed in Al-Anon's legacies about our not deciding about who should belong in Al-Anon (Tradition Five). We do not need to go out of our way to single out a particular aspect of the wide spectrum of addictions. It is enough to say that Al-Anon is for those whose loved ones suffer from the disease of alcohol addiction.
- Motion was made to delete that sentence from our website. After some further discussion, a vote was taken, and the members present voted unanimously to delete the sentence about drug addiction.

[Left over from November 13, 2021, meeting but not discussed at this meeting: The Thought Force that explored the DISL job description has not finished yet and will present the results of that research when they have the report.]

Upcoming events

Next District 1 meeting: Saturday, April 9, 2022, 1:30 to 3 p.m. at St. Stephen

Assembly 6/24 – 26/2022

AWSC 8/5 – 7/2022

Area 9 Convention 8/26 – 28/2022

Assembly 10/7 – 9/2022

Discussion of Concept 9:

The meeting was within two minutes of the time set to conclude, so rather than speak about it, those present voted to continue it until next meeting. Assignment for next District meeting: Read and discuss Concept 9, especially the essay in the *Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual*, pages 193-198 by AA Co-Founder Bill W.

Meeting closed at 2:59 p.m. with the Al-Anon Declaration.