

**Joint District Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**Districts 15-17-19**  
**Monday, January 28, 2008**

- Opened with a moment of silence
- Attendance:

10 members were present (Pat, Ray, Frank, John, Leroy, Scot, Joe, Nicole, Erin, and Jen), including 3 new GSR's:

  - Frank from New Way Group in Chesterton (Thursday night)
  - Scot from Valparaiso Group (Sunday night)
  - John C. from multiple groups in Chesterton (Friday night)
  - \* Pat from W.A.N.S. group in Valparaiso is not a new GSR, but he is new to the District meeting
- Announcements:
  - The next Area 22 Assembly is Sunday, February 17, 10am-4pm at St. Mary's Orthodox Center  
8600 Grand Blvd.  
Merrillville, IN
  - We need people to go to local radio stations to ask them to play our ad.
  - We need GSR's to not only make sure the meetings they represent get registered, but also other meetings they attend (if possible).
- Discussions:
  1. Nicole discussed the importance of our hosting an Informational Forum.
  2. Nicole listed district chair positions that should be filled: Secretary, Chair for Hospitals and Institutions (H & I), Public Information Chair (PI), and possibly Answering Service Chair, Communication with the Professional Community Chair, and Grapevine Chair.

- Jen volunteered to be District Secretary; group conscience consented.
  - Questions were raised regarding specific responsibilities of H & I Chair and PI Chair. Nicole stated she will bring written information from the Service Manual next month for further elaboration/discussion.
3. Ray spoke on responsibilities of an Answering Service Chair.
  4. Ray provided an example of committee involvement at the district level: that H & I could possibly be involved in helping individual groups/meetings in hospitals and institutions (i.e. Porter Memorial Thursdays and Saturdays) obtain chairpersons for meetings.
  5. Erin suggested looking into working with Care Counseling in South Haven.
  6. Nicole stated that we still need DCM's for Districts 15 and 19.
- On agenda for next month's meeting:
    - Need group conscience vote on a budget for the Informational Forum.
    - Review written explanations of open chair positions from the Service Manual (provided by Nicole).
  - Meeting adjourned, and closed with Responsibility Pledge:

“When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there, and for that... I am responsible.”