

District 73 minutes from September 18th 2026 7pm

Church of the Brethren 215 N. Court Street Dixon, Il. 61021

The meeting was started by Jane M. at 7pm. The Safe Meeting statement was read by Dave. Jane M. mentioned that Gina M. was ill and going to the ER in Rockford. Denise S. read the GSR Preamble followed by Demise V. reading Tradition 9 then Don S. read Concept 9. We went around the room introducing ourselves ending with zoom attendees. The minutes were reviewed with Denise V. making a correction for Corrections on AA volunteers can not correspond to inmates with letter writing and visiting outside of meeting. Correspondence must be 700 miles away if writing to an Inmate. Jane M. motioned to approve the minutes and Emery 2nd with all approving. James S. gave the treasurers report with pointing out an amendment on a 9 cent error which was corrected and adjusted. Don S. motioned to approve report with Jim A. Second the motion. All approved with passing. Karen D. had no updates with Schedules and Electronics. Denise V. mentioned that the date on the bottom of the schedules need to be corrected. A motion was made by Denise V. to print 200 more schedules with Jane M. second and all were in favor. Patty W. reported on the answering service of \$99.00 for bill and calls being district 71 – 4, 72 – 2, 73 – 5, and 1 out of district. James S. reported on Website with 233 visitors in August and 98 visitors in September. Denise V. reported on corrections. Dixon has had no meeting do to lock downs. Three more pamphlets were ordered and Spanish speaking volunteers are needed. Thompson having up to 30 people with more books needed as they sign out books and then bring them back. 12 & 12's are needed also at the jail. Kim S. recommended that a flyer go out looking for more woman volunteers. Gary F. suggested a workshop for the volunteers at some point. As all volunteers have to take and pass the PREA test before being approved with background checks. It was suggested for James S. to renew the Grapevine subscription. Therese D. informed us of the 20 Book sale with a 20% discount for October using the 20books for a code. CPC reported by Kim S. that Kathy B had a letter put together to send to medical facilities on recovery and a RSVP contact. Ryan D. reported that he was checking with Rosecrance on 3 specific days we could attend weekly probably Tues. Wed. and Friday. Gary F reported from Archives of a new format for history from New Beginnings. Also that he was still sorting through material. With Old Business there is still openings for DCM, Alt. DCM, Alt. Secretary and always needed GSR's to be encouraged to attend with an Alt. GSR if needed. The back up committee was discussed and voted down as to not to confuse things further. Therese D. mentioned that procedure for absence of DCM would be Alt. DCM if not then Secretary to step into Chair for that meeting. The new Big Book will be coming out next year with around 20 new stories and taking out 12 stories. District 73 will have a panel at the Conference with 3 people Therese S., Mark D. and Gary F. with Karen D. being the moderator. The conference will be in Wauconda, Il. NIA register was updated removing Therese D. as secretary and adding Kim S. More announcements were read. Karen D. motioned to adjourn meeting Denise S. 2nd all approved,

Closed District 73 meeting with the Responsibility Statement and the Lord's Prayer.

In Service

Kim Smeja/Secretary

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