**Al Anon District 5, Area 27 Michigan**

**King of Kings on Packard**

**Meeting Minutes**

November 16, 2024

10:30AM-12:00PM

**Location**: Kings of Kings, Ann Arbor MI

1. Opening with the Serenity Prayer

**Present**: Maggie F., Nancy B., Cheryl B., Jan A., Robin W. Jennifer M., Randy (online), Margie, Kelly, Monty

1. **Previous meeting minutes** – Motion to approve Margie F., 2nd Cheryl B.
   1. **August 17, 2024** – Cheryl, Jennifer
2. **District Rep position open-** 
   1. Nancy described the role as written in the service manual and how she sees her position. Talked about how the district rep. communicates information from the state. We looked through the manual to give accurate information.
   2. Term ends Dec. 31, 2024
   3. Number of groups -18
   4. One of the struggles is keeping track of the groups and group rep.
3. **Alternate District Rep**- need one-
4. **Group Records- Spencer- Need replacement – *Randy is taking this position- wants to talk with Spencer – website tough to navigate – will reach out to Erica as well. The form to make donations is not accessible on the website. Randy is trying to find information and documents.*** 
   1. **Spencer’s responsibilities: Spencer is willing to speak with anyone interested in taking this position over.** 
      1. **Maintains the printable meeting list and posts updates to the website and group members.**
      2. **Forwards meeting changes to the MIAFG group records coordinator when requestion. (This has not happened very often).**
      3. **Audit meeting list against the WSO Records to ensure accuracy (there are a couple of meetings who are listed locally but not nationally).**
      4. **Keep District appraised at district meetings.**
      5. **Edit meeting list on the Google spreadsheet**
      6. **Download list in PDF for district meetings**
      7. **Send updated meeting list to District 5 website**
5. **Fall Assemble Update** 
   1. No one attended
   2. Gloria V was voted in as the secretary
   3. Group names can no longer describe the type of group. A ‘womans only’ description will come later in the description of the group.
6. **Update from AWSC Held November 9th 2024 in St Louis MI.** 
   1. **Donations are up 76%**
      1. **Remember to use your quarterly appeal letters**
   2. **At Fall Assembly, Group Reps voted to send Delegate to World Service Conference.**
   3. **Group voted to allot $4500.00 for the upgrade of internet availability for Area Assemblies and AWSC.** 
      1. **Task force voted on to report back to the group in March 2025**
      2. **Ann is leading that task force**
   4. **Chosen Agenda Items workshop to generate new agenda items for the Al-Anon organization could address. Nancy passed around an example.**
   5. **Physical storage thought force committee presented on their work to determine how much records/documents we have collected and where should we store this stuff.**
      1. **36 storage boxes identified.**
      2. **Looking for more items folks may have….**
      3. **Task force created and will report back in March 2025 to vote on action steps.**
   6. **Group Rep and District Rep zoom meetings, prior to the Assemblies and AWSC’s all are welcome and can join to gain support, ask questions, learn what other’s are doing. Networking opportunity**
   7. **State convention for 2026 location voted on. Prinston Grand Rapids for the 54th MI Al-Anon Convention 2026.**
   8. **Group donations tally- available to review during this meeting.**
   9. **Al-Anon User’s manual updated and online for use.**
7. **District Treasure-Jan A.**
   1. **District 5 donations**
   2. **Jan is willing to step down if anyone wants it.**
   3. **District phone and District website are the expenses. – service changed. Jan paid bill**
   4. **Jan will email the report to whom ever wants it.**
   5. **Maggie makes motion to send $200 to MiAFG and to WSO. Cherly second. All agreed.**
   6. **Todays donation $16**
   7. **Robin made motion that we accept treasures report. All in favor – passed**
8. **District Phone- Kelly S. Anyone can take the phone if they have been in Al Anon for at least a year. Mary M. wants to give back the CAL. Jan said this has happened before. Kelly will go get the materials and will pass it on.**
9. **District Website Update**
   1. **Randy Vonck- (On zoom)**
   2. **Website address is:** [**www.afgdistrict5.org**](http://www.afgdistrict5.org)
   3. **How do folks reach you to get something added to the website? Randy is going to update the website or create a new one.**
10. **District Alateen update- None**
    1. **Email** [**alateen@afgdistrict5.org**](mailto:alateen@afgdistrict5.org) **Robin Robinson available to coach anyone cleared for Alateen work**
11. **Literature Distribution – None –** WSO new booklet - $4 it’s a very good book. Healing within our alcoholic relationships
12. **Public Outreach**
    1. Would like the district to invest in posters and phone cards that new members can take with them to reach out to state and national AL-Anon websites and record willing member’s phone numbers.
    2. Nancy would love to have the poster and phone list for our district. - group supported Nancys work on the cards and posters and will submit a bill
13. **Upcoming dates**

**\*Tecumseh Open Al Anon Meetings every Third Thursday night 7:30**

**\*MI Al Anon State conference May 3rd 2025 @ Grand Valley State University, Grand Rapids hosted by District 20.**

**Meeting closed with the Serenity Prayer – closed meeting at 12:02p**

Send minutes to Randy

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