

MINUTES for March 22, 2026
District 10, Northern Illinois Area 20
ZOOM Meeting ID 861 1954 7045 Passcode: DISTRICT10

Call to Order 6:07pm

Quiet time followed by Serenity Prayer. # Attendees? 32

Anniversaries? Mark, 24yrs. Cindy, 26yrs **Birthdays?** Kevin, Friday the 13th.

First time attendees to this meeting introduce themselves: Karl, Saturday Men's ARC,

Secretary's report (Dawn Rene W.): Minutes from previous meeting

Any questions/corrections? Motion to approve the minutes: Sean, Joe

Treasurer's Report (Salli W)

Any questions/corrections? Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Beginning = \$4816.95, Ending = \$5450.43. Still working on balancing the budget accurately. Approved; Brian, Christina

DCM's Report (John C.) Thank you Jeff S for stepping up to cover the DCM while John C was out due to medical issues.

John attended the Area 20 Spring Assembly, but did not stay for the conference.

Poor audio quality and accessibility issues prevented John from following what was going on at the microphone and the general interactions during the Assembly. The one issue that was made clear was that the motion to combine the Electronics Equipment and the Technology Committees did pass.

The Area 20 Spring Committee meeting is Saturday May 16th, at Lord of Life Elburn IL.

Alternate DCM's Report (Jeff S.) (NO REPORT)

Area 20 business: Spring Assembly report; Pre-General Service Conference Zoom breakouts started noon today; PGSC Workshop April 11 at the First Covenant Church in Rockford; Spring Committee Meeting May 16

There are many things already in place to support and assist us to organize workshops and conferences. These things can be found on the Area 20 website and in our Service Manuals.

Open Forum: Spring Breakfast April 12

Old Business:

New Business: Workshops are a good way to carry the message to the still suffering alcoholic. Every committee can hold a workshop on their particular committee. Please bring your ideas for workshops; GSR school May 23rd, Sponsorship, how to use the steps in everyday life, how committees can work together to encourage one another, 4th step workshop,

Things that we all need to be thinking about and planning for:

- District 10 officer rotation will be happening at the end of this year, 2026. We do not have an Alt Secretary or Alt Treasurer. Please be considering people that are in fellowship at the various meetings that you are attending, and help us be on the lookout for potential candidates. And feel free to refer any suggestions you might have to Dawn, Salli, John C or Jeff S at any time during any given day.
- Hosting 2027 Big Book Conference;
*There is a website already developed for publicizing the Big Book conference. And Electing and organizing a committee needs to be done at our April GSR meeting.
Here are a few links to Area Guidelines for planning and hosting that might be helpful to become a bit familiar with what hosting a Big Book Conference might entail. Of course there is always help available from Area 20 officers.*

Big Book Conference:

<https://aa-nia.org/event/2026-nia-20-big-book-conference/>

Planning Procedures:

https://aa-nia.org/wp-content/uploads/Procedures-for-Planning-the-Big-Book-Conference_Eng.pdf

Reference Documents for hosting:

[https://aa-nia.org/wp-](https://aa-nia.org/wp-content/uploads/202512_Reference_Documents_for_Hosting_Area_Meetings_Eng.pdf)

[content/uploads/202512_Reference_Documents_for_Hosting_Area_Meetings_Eng.pdf](https://aa-nia.org/wp-content/uploads/202512_Reference_Documents_for_Hosting_Area_Meetings_Eng.pdf)

- District meeting format revision; DCM and Alt DCM are considering some adjustments for how our monthly meeting Agenda might be revised.

Motions:

Committee Reports

Accessibilities (Roger H.)

Alt. (VACANT)

(NO ATTENDANCE) (NO REPORT)

Answering Service (Joe F.)

Alt. (VACANT)

We are still trying to find the person who was potentially going to stand for the Alternate Answering Service Chairperson.

I attended the Area 20 Assembly in Schaumburg IL. I voted to approve the motion to combine the Area 20 Electronics Equipment and Technology Committees, which was approved by the Fellowship. I talked with Dave T. the Area Answering Service Chairperson. We discussed various service providers. We were also able to share our personal recovery journeys. I texted all District 10 Answering Service volunteers to get information on call volume and frequency. Since the beginning of 2026 we have received 81 calls, which are promptly followed up on. We have 29 volunteers set up in 4 groups, which rotate weekly.

Archives (Dean D.)

Alt. (Rob D.)

Archives storage is at Dean's house, still working on updating files and displays that are falling apart, and attended a sharing session at Area 20 Assembly.

Bridging The Gap (Alphonso F.)

Alt. (Dave M.) (NO ATTENDANCE) (NO REPORT)

Corrections (Skot F.)

Alt. (VACANT)

Skot stood for Corrections Chairperson, and is looking for assistance to become familiar with the position.

C.P.C. (VACANT)

Alt. (VACANT)

Directory (Mark H.)

Alt. (VACANT)

Thanks Joe F. for helping to update the contacts in the printed directory. Updated directories have been delivered to the ARC, Berger Hall and Round Lake Area Alano Club.

Mark has been in contact with a person at Lake County Jail and has found out that they are in need of AA literature, and is looking for guidance as to how to help.

Events (Diedra H.)

Alt. (Brian M)

Venue is reserved for Summer Picnic August 9th. We are hunting for a new venue for Fall Breakfast. I have direct contact for Corrections.

Grapevine (Christina H.)

Alt. (VACANT)

Promoting Grapevine Raffle, attended Spring Assembly,

GSR Contact (Brian C.)

Alt. (Jim W.)

GSR School coming up! May 23rd, Serenity House, 11:30am.

Literature (Judd H.)

Alt. (Pam P.)

Newsletter (Paul W.)

Alt. (Katie D.)

Newsletters are available only online right now. But Katie has people organized to distribute the newsletters as soon as they are available.

Public Info. (Camila H.)

Alt. (Jane B.) (NO ATTENDANCE) (NO REPORT)

Technical (Jeff C.)

Alt. (James) (NO REPORT)

James is standing for Alt Technical. And was approved.

*** Proposed revision:**

Please consult your groups about this proposal for future discussion and voting. It would replace the current Traditions meeting at 5:30 pm with a GSR meeting at 5:30 pm. Discussion is withheld until the April 26 district meeting.

Treatment (Jason C.)

Alt. (Laura W.)

(NO ATTENDANCE) (NO REPORT)

Website (Bob L)

Alt. (Ted S.)

Continued to create documentation on webmaster duties and site procedures and functions

Motion to Adjourn.

Judd, Christina

7:15pm

Responsibility Statement

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

NEXT DISTRICT 10 MEETING- 4th Sunday of the next month: April 26

**St. Gilbert's Church, Sunday,
Traditions meeting at 5:30pm
District Meeting at 6:00pm**