



Meeting Minutes

Date: March 12, 2019

**Groups Represented:**

Monday Night Winners  
Monday Happy Hour Promises  
Tuesday Night 12 Step Meeting Bellefonte  
Tuesday Night Young Hope  
Tuesday/Thursday Primary Purpose  
Wednesday Living in the Solution  
Wednesday Night Step Meeting  
Thursday Night Big Book Meeting Bellefonte  
Friday Teachables  
Saturday Morning Gratitude  
Saturday Night Living Sober  
Saturday Night Discussion Group Centre Hall  
Sunday Eleventh Step Healing Group  
Sunday Keep It Simple Sunday  
Sunday Sober Sundays  
Sunday Came to Believe

The meeting was held at St. John's Lutheran Church in Bellefonte and was called to order at 7:15 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer.

**Officer Reports:**

Officer-at-Large (Jamie): Our next District meeting will be held on Tuesday April 9<sup>th</sup> at Grace United Methodist Church in Phillipsburg.

Secretary (Jen): Jen passed around Group Change Forms. If you have not completed this form online, please fill these out and return to Bob. Minutes were approved.

Treasurer (Lisa): Lisa brought Birthday envelopes for individuals that have not taken one for their group. Tad clarified the cost for the website includes hosting service (Go Daddy) and the cost for ownership of both district43.com and district43.org which is a 2 year cost. Financials were approved.

Web Servant (Tad): Tad will add the new meeting (Wednesday noon Bellefonte Living Sober meeting) to our website because the meeting has been active for 6 months. Tad will do research on the meeting app and see if we can add the capability to search for meetings on our website. Tad will add website stats to his quarterly report.

ADCM (Bill): Medallion Night will be held on April 26<sup>th</sup> at St. Andrews in Canterbury Hall. Bill

discussed the new pamphlet “The God Word” and the updated pamphlets “LGBTQ Alcoholics in AA” and “Women in AA”. Bill attended the Quarterly Area meeting and reported that Area suggested that birthday envelopes could be given with coins to anyone with 1 year or more of sobriety to contribute to GSO (e.g., \$1 per year of sobriety).

DCM (Bob): Kris attended the meeting to share that we will be holding a dance on April 19<sup>th</sup> that will be an open event including Al-anon, OA, AA, NA, etc. The cost for the event will be \$450 and Kris needs the money by April 12<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are needed. Please talk to Kris for more information and how to get involved.

Bob reported on his trip with Bill to the quarterly Area meeting. The next Area event is Pre-Conference Sharing Session (fyi: for Area events, ‘session’ means that all GSRs can participate and ‘meeting’ means that only Area Officers can participate). The Mini-Assembly will be held on June 8<sup>th</sup> in Bloomsburg. GSRs are highly encouraged to attend Area events. This year, EPGSA will be held November 1 – 3 in Lancaster. Start planning for your attendance. Each Homegroup should be saving money to send their GSR to the conference. Approximate costs for the conference (including 2 nights, meals and registration) for double occupancy is ~\$305 and for single occupancy is ~\$440. There will be a penalty for the Area if reserved rooms are not booked. The Area EPGSA committee will be transparent with planning and sharing conference information.

### **Summaries and Actions:**

N/A

### **Committee Reports:**

Archives: Jen reported that Archives had a meeting last month where they started looking through our Archives collection and began discussing plans of action. Archives will be holding their next meeting on Saturday March 23 at 1 pm at the Rule 62 Clubhouse to begin sorting through the collection and taking an inventory. All are welcome and any extra hands would be appreciated. She also passed around more Group History Forms and requested that all GSRs fill these out with your Homegroups and return them to her. It may be helpful to discuss these questions with Oldtimers at your groups. If possible, please turn in 2 copies of your Group History, one will be kept in District 43 Archives and the other will be sent to our Area Archivist.

C&I (Corrections & Institutions): In response to contact made to GSO by a British AA member who will be incarcerated at the Moshannon Valley Correctional Institution near Philipsburg and would like to start a meeting at the facility, Hans has been trying to get in touch with the Institution but to no avail.

Hans reported that C&I are working on the following tasks:

- Possibly adding Quehanna Boot Camp as another location for an AA meeting.
- Drafting a request form to obtain information from facilities about whether AA meetings are held there and if not, whether they would be approved.
- Working with Tad to update information on the website that is not current.
- Improving the application process for volunteers.
- Creating a list of all meetings and locations. Possible 8 locations total.
- Look into whether new ownership for St. Joseph Institute will now approve our District to hold an AA meeting at that location.
- Contact Hans for more information/questions/opportunities for service.

CPC (Cooperation with the Professional Community): The Hotline now has updated contact information for the active CPC committee members. Brock reported that the committee is planning the CPC workshop (1 hour speaker and 30 minute Q&A) that will be held on April 19<sup>th</sup>. Andrew will get more information about the process of how the Hotline handles old volunteer lists. In the past, the Hotline was informed to discard old lists (every 6 months or when the new lists are received) in the spirit of rotation as well as to keep the information of volunteering members current. Bob discussed the non-AA observer (doctors, psychiatrists, etc.) at the General Service Conference. Each District can nominate 1 person. If you have anyone, contact Brock.

PI (Public Information): Jamie is still waiting to confirm that the printable meeting list is updated before printing. He is doing some research to determine locations that need pamphlet racks and/or pamphlets. He will print 800 copies of the meeting list to distribute.

Structure: Bill reported that the committee has been working on updating the Structure Manual. Bill will print an updated manual for each group and distribute these next month. Any changes to the manual that are not minor will have a motion made.

Visitation: No report.

#### **Old Business:**

#### **New Business:**

Laura made a motion to allow the Structure committee to spend up to \$150 to print each group and officer a Structure Manual. Motion approved.

Sober sisters will be hosting Medallion Night.

Andrew made a motion to read the long form of the Tradition for our monthly discussion and add it to the agenda. Motion approved.

Jen made a motion to add the short version of the Concepts to our monthly agenda and simply read it. Motion failed.

Andrew made a motion to post committee meeting times on the website. Motion approved. (Update Structure Manual)

The meeting adjourned at 9 pm.