



Meeting Minutes

Date: May 14, 2019

**Groups Represented:**

Monday Night Winners  
Monday-Friday, Saturday Attitude Adjustment  
Monday-Friday, Serenity at Noon  
Tuesday Night 12 Step Meeting Bellefonte  
Tuesday Night Young Hope  
Tuesday/Thursday Primary Purpose  
Wednesday Living in the Solution  
Wednesday Night One Hour Step Meeting  
Thursday Night Big Book Meeting Bellefonte  
Friday Teachables  
Saturday Night Living Sober  
Saturday Morning Gratitude  
Saturday Night Discussion Group Centre Hall  
Sunday Keep It Simple Sunday  
Sunday Sober Sundays  
Sunday Came to Believe

The meeting was held at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, State College PA and was called to order at 7:20 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer.

**Officer Reports:**

Officer-at-Large (Jamie): Our next meeting will be held at St. John's Lutheran Church, S McAllister St. in Bellefonte (plan to be outside in the pavilion, weather permitting).

Secretary (Jen): April minutes approved with no revisions.

Treasurer (Lisa): In April, we received contributions from 6 groups. DCM (Bob) was reimbursed for travel and our Verizon bill was paid. April financials approved. We have \$685.60 of available funds (\$25.39 of which is for C&I Literature) and \$1200 prudent reserve.

Web Servant (Tad): Tad will update the printable meeting list on our website. He will also report website stats starting next month.

ADCM (Bill): Bill reported that renovations to the Clubhouse will not impact the basement (i.e., our meeting place). The lease for the Clubhouse ends in late 2020 and we will get an update about the status of the building closer to that date.

DCM (Bob): Bob will be on vacation for most of June. Bill will try to cover for Bob at the Mini Assembly on June 8<sup>th</sup> (Bloomsbury, PA) and the Quarterly Area meeting on June 9<sup>th</sup> (Jefferson Township, PA). Bob asked if someone could please join Bill. There is a second Mini Assembly on June 30<sup>th</sup> (Philadelphia, PA).

Bob, Bill, Jules, and Wayne attended Pre-Conference Sharing. See attached document for a summary from Bob.

Bob emailed information with updates about EPGSA.

### **Summaries and Actions:**

Laura asked what to do if Al-Anon members are attending the AA meeting and some homegroup members are questioning whether these individuals should be sharing if they are not alcoholic. (Relates to Tradition 4 & 5). Darren referred the group to the blue card that defines an open vs. closed meeting and to reference The AA Group pamphlet (open meetings are open to anyone who wants to attend as an observer but each group is autonomous).

### **Committee Reports:**

Archives: The committee did not meet this month. We will make more copies of keys for Archives. Amos G. has old documents meant for Archives – Tad will get in touch with Amos to get more information. Bob has a device to convert cassette tapes to MP3.

C&I (Corrections & Institutions): Hans was finally able to reach a contact person at Quehanna Boot Camp and now has the information to finish updating the waiver for volunteers. We will need volunteers (males and females) to hold regular meetings at Quehanna Boot Camp – this announcement will be posted on our District website and members interested will be directed to contact our district43 email. The committee also discussed ways of improving current meetings (e.g., they found some inconsistencies at the meeting held at the Meadows). Jules announced that Centre County Women’s Correctional Facility needs volunteers and that PREA training can be scheduled for 10 or more volunteers or volunteers will have to wait until the next scheduled training. The Youth Detention Center could also use volunteers (no applications or training required). The committee made some other updates to the application processes for volunteers.

CPC (Cooperation with the Professional Community): No new business. The next committee meeting will be this Friday at Perkins (near the mall) at 6:30 pm.

PI (Public Information): Jamie is working to figure out where to distribute the 800 printed copies of updated meeting lists. Bob suggested that GSRs interested can take copies back to their homegroups. The committee will determine where the remaining updated meeting lists are needed.

Structure: Bill requested all GSRs who have not yet picked up their homegroups structure manual please do so. The committee plans to meet again in May. Andrew commented on last month’s topic of whether officers who are not also GSRs should be allowed to make motions. His group believes the reason for the structure manual indicating that an officer who is not serving as a GSR should not make a motion is because that individual does not serve a group’s conscience and is thus simply sharing an opinion.

Visitation: Absent.

**Old Business:**

Andrew made a motion to create a calendar on the district website including the meeting days and times for each committee. Meetings are not to be scheduled on the same day/time. Motion approved.

- It was suggested to try to set the same day/time each month
- Homegroups could suggest different members of their group attend committee meetings to report information back to the group
- Please update Tad ASAP with meeting information

**New Business:**

Recovery Sunday at St. Andrew's on May 26<sup>th</sup> at 8am, 10am, 5pm is requesting volunteers to share what AA does / does not do (~5 min). CPC committee was given the responsibility for handling this request and will discuss this at their next meeting this Friday. The committee will send an email after their meeting updating all GSRs with their decision.

The question was raised as to whether we should redefine our definition of a quorum (p. 13 Structure Manual)?

Andrew made a motion to not post non-AA events on our website. This raised good discussion about how to define what an AA event/function is (grey area with the Dance). Motion was tabled. Please bring the following 2 ideas back to your homegroups for feedback: 1) posting of non-AA events on website and 2) how to define AA events / AA-affiliated events.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.