

District 43
February 12, 2013

The following meetings were represented:

Tuesday Night Twelve Steps, Living In The Solution, Tuesday and Thursday Noon Primary Purpose Meeting, Thursday Night Big Book Meeting, Monday Night Happy Hour Promises, Sunday Came to Believe, Wednesday Candle Light Service in Belafonte, Friday Night Teachable, Wednesday Night Step Group, Keep it Simple Sunday Meeting, Thursday Women's Meeting, Thursday Night Big Book Study, Attitude Adjustment Meeting, Center Hall Saturday Night, Free to Be, Tuesday Night Young Hope, Snow Shoe, Friday Night Spiritual Side

Open with Serenity prayer

Officer Reports:

Officer at large:

Next meetings:

- March 12, at St. Andrews, State College
- April 9, South Hills Business School, Room 25 in State College
 - please don't bring food into the classroom.
- If you have other places to meet. If you'd like us to come to your Home group, please let the Officer at Large know.

Secretary:

Minutes submitted

- No corrections
- Motion to approve
- 16 – in favor, 0 opposed, Motion passes.

Sign in sheet going around.

Treasurer report:

Contributions, 392.00

- A Contribution came from Brian..., do we know what group he represents?
- Please have your treasures write the group number or the name of the group on the check.
- Contribution information has changed –there are new addresses to submit contributions. See handout.

Expenses – no literature was bought this month.

- Prudent reserve- We did not add to the prudent resource this month, because we are waiting for the NERRASSA expenses
- We have one Super media print -- \$72.50 even though we have a contract, they are still charging as for Bellefonte. We are in the process, of tracking down this expense.

- Can we just stop the payment?
- It's automatic payment.
- We can still change that.

Pink can with money it sitting in the kitchen at St. Andrews. – Young hope claims that.

Motion to approve the report. Seconded.

- 15 – in favor, 0 against, Motion passes.

Webservent:

No report.

If you have anything you would like to add, please email the district.

info@district43.com

ADCM:

No Report

DCM:

Typed report.

- Attended DCM orientation.
- Participated in Committee meeting for Area Corrections Committee.
- Committed to typing the programs for event on June 23rd.
- Upcoming events: Area meeting, NERASSA (two weekends)
- Change Group forms are being processed
- Exploratory meeting about forming an Intergroup was held; DCM participated in the discussion with Neighboring districts
- Consider the role of the GSR in our groups; We are the main voices of AA, we are the guardians of the traditions.
- Anonymity, please remind people.
- Room availability for the conference? – not at the conference hotel, but there are rooms available at nearby locations.
- June 23rd is the Delegate's conference report.
- Pre-conference assembly – April 7th. Our Delegate tells us about the Agenda topics. He takes that voice of our Area to the conference.
- Where is district 33? – close to Redding.

Summaries and Actions:

Philipsburg is now having fellowship: Saturday night meeting with bowling after.

- What time is that meeting? – 8pm

Action: group is looking for handicap accessible location, in State College. if you have ideas, call Lisa.

Tradition Two:

For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority, a loving God as he may express himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants they do no govern.

Highlights from Discussion:

- We are all members of our group, we are all equal participants.
- I'm willing to learn with you. We make our decision together, we all learn together.
- There is no set way to do things. We all learn, we all contribute.

Committee Reports:

Archives:

Have packets for all the GSRs. Guidelines for the each group, what Archives do and what we are planning to do.

How do we get history, and protect anonymity.

Take this to your groups, as we try to put this together.

Core format for groups to gather information from their groups.

Do we have the group history form on the website?

Confirm that this is on the website. – and it is.

Corrections:

Will be asking people for help.

CPC:

Hotline sheets? Does anyone have these?

Letter from some who worked at the hotline.

- How often are they updating their hotline records? Maybe they should update every June and September, to coincide with the college.
- January and June is when it gets updated.

St Josephs wants list to of AA contacts.

- Do we have bridging the gap here?
- Corrections could help organize such a list?

YOP

Dates have been rescheduled.

Points to cover and speaker guidelines.

We just expose them to AA.

Someone received literature from the YOP that the speakers were their favorite part of program.

PI:

Meeting lists are folded.
4 people on the committee so far.

Structure:

No report.

Visitation:

4 members on the committee. Each member went to one meeting each.
Each person will try to go to another meeting this month.

Concept Two:

When, in 1955, the A.A. groups confirmed the permanent charter for their General Service Conference, they thereby delegated to the Conference complete authority for the active maintenance of our world services and thereby made the Conference – excepting for any change in the Twelve Traditions or in Article 12 of the Conference Charter – the actual voice and the effective conscience for our whole Society.

Old Business:

1. Budget discussion

- Ideas, concerns, feedback.
- How we should use of the budget.
- Consensus was that our group was impressed that District had created a budget and sent it out to all the groups.
- Concerns, about what it would be
- Keep it as a guideline. So we have a sense of how much we spend on average.
- Doesn't have to be a hard and fast thing, but it can be a framework.
- District inventory- budget is part of that

Group has not made contributions in quite sometime, no one has a problem with how money is being spent.

New Business:

1. Discussion of AA club houses, non-profits

There is always discussion about fellowship and how it is spent,
People want a place, that's not an AA place.

- What do we spend our money on and what don't we?
- Locations can be helpful.
- Club house is not AA. It promotes fellowship, but it's not AA.
- Donations can for special events?
- We do outdoor things in the summer. Group picnics, camping trips

- If people want to do things outside of AA, then they should do them outside of AA.

2. Intergroups

Meetings to discuss becoming part of an Intergroup.

- Nice way for some of these places to organize –
- can help to collectively pull the resources. For example hotline.
- Host events that districts would *not be able to support.
- Would there be enough people to support an intergroup?
- What things would we want them to do?
- This is an exploratory time.
- Questions and concerns are being discussed.
- It's a great conversation to start.
- How much do we think they could do?
- What about corrections? Could an Intergroup help with corrections support?
- How are other rural areas handling their experience with Intergroups?
Do we have direct contact we ask?

Motion to close. Seconded. motion carries.

Close with the responsibility statement.