



Meeting Minutes, October 8, 2013

Meeting called to order by DCM at 7:17 pm with the Serenity Prayer and Introductions.

Groups represented: 17

Attitude Adjustment >>> Friday Night Teachables >>> Friday's First Campus Meeting >>> Living In the Solution >>> Monday As Bill Sees It >>> Monday Happy Hour Promises >>> Monday Women's Step Meeting >>> Sat Centre Hall Discussion >>> Sober Sisters >>> Thurs Bellefonte Big Book >>> Tues Bellefonte 12 Step >>> Tues/Thurs Primary Purpose >>> Tuesday Young Hope >>> Wed Bellefonte Candlelight >>> Wed Mill Hall Group >>> Wed Night Step Meeting >>> Wed Port Matilda

Officer Reports:

Officer-at-Large (Amy H): Schedule for upcoming district meetings –

- November 12th, Grace United Methodist (downstairs), 912 E. Pine St., Philipsburg
- December 10th, South Hills School of Business & Technology, 480 Waupelani Dr, State College (in Mazza Center across from cafeteria)
- January 14th, **tentatively scheduled** for St Johns Lutheran, 216 North McAllister Street, Bellefonte

Secretary (Vicki S):

- No corrections or amendments are requested for the September 10, 2013 meeting minutes. Motion made to accept minutes as is and seconded, motion passes with **16** ayes.

Treasurer (Jan B): See September contributions and expense report for full details.

- Financials are presented. Contributions in September amounted to **\$250.00** and Expenditures amounted to **\$648.42** - District has an available cash balance of **\$2060.57** - Projected expenses for October are **\$106.00** and Prudent Reserve is at **\$800.00**
- The yearly bill for PO Box rental was paid (**\$44.00**).
- The quarterly bill for the Community Help Center (Hotline) was paid (**\$225.00**)
- A motion is made to accept the Treasurer's report and seconded, motion passes with **16** ayes.

WebServant (Jenni L):

- Jenni has been actively learning and working on the website. She is caught up on answering website emails. She has checked the main pages and side links for breaks (all are good) and will continue looking for broken links.
- If you want something posted to the website or notice any glitches, please contact the WebServant at info@district43.com
- The idea of adding descriptive information about District 43 home groups and the format of their meetings to the website was suggested by the WebServant. This would provide someone researching meetings on the website with pertinent information about the group and meeting prior to attending it. GSRs are requested to discuss this idea with their home groups and give feedback at the November district meeting.

ADCM (Wayne L): No Report

DCM (Lisa T): See September 2013 DCM report for full details.

- The DCM emphasized the need for district support of corrections work. Now that SCI Benner is up and running and the paperwork for approval at jail meetings has become more complicated there is a greater need than ever to ensure that our prison population has access to AA. GSRs are requested to make this need known to their home groups.
- GSRs should inform their home groups that the prisons need donations of literature, especially

Grapevines.

Summaries:

- Friday Night Teachables – The meetings on October 11th and 18th will be held in the University Baptist and Brethren Church basement, 411 S Burrowes Street, State College, The meeting time will remain at 8:00 pm. This is due to St Andrews policy of locking up the church during State College High School home football games.

Actions: No actions presented

Tradition 10 - Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.

Committee Reports:

Archives (Nancy B):

- Archives received a group history from Mill Hall group and a write-up on the “pink can” initiative from Susan A.

Corrections & Institutions (C&I) (Bill Q):

- Bill Q reports that we “desperately need more people to do 12th step work” at all the C&I meetings.
- A clarification for AA’s interested in being a speaker at Quehanna Boot Camp. You can fill out a one page clearance form that will expedite your admission. If you are filling out a State Volunteer Application for SCI Rockview and/or SCI Benner you can add Quehanna Boot Camp but clearance will take longer.

Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) (Kevin K):

- Kevin reports that the response of the kids attending the YOP sessions is “amazing”. They are engaged, enthusiastic and asking many questions.
- Kevin has the YOP sessions schedule and will send it out via email.
- Info on how the AA Hotline works: - The Community Help Center volunteer will take the initial call and assess what is needed and then use the AA Hotline volunteer list to transfer the call. Calls will come from 814-237-5855. If you are on the hotline list and don’t want to be, you must contact the Community Help Center and ask them to remove your name. If you want to do service as a hotline volunteer, you need to give your info to Kevin who will update the list. The AA Hotline can always use more volunteers.

Public Information (PI) (Rodney C):

- Rodney reports that literature is being regularly distributed – no problems encountered.

Structure (Wayne L): No report.

Visitation (Susan A):

- Susan A reports that the Visitation Committee has visited **two** of the **seven** meetings on their schedule.
- Vintage AA (Monday, Noon, State College, New University Mennonite Church) has submitted a group form so that they can be registered with GSO.

Concept 10 - Every service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority—the scope of such authority to be always well defined whether by tradition, by resolution, by specific job description, or by appropriate charters and bylaws.

Old Business:

- **District 43 Inventory** –

- A motion was made to hold our district inventory on the second Saturday in **February 2014 - (Feb 8th)**. Motion seconded and passes with **18** ayes.
- We will use the same inventory format as the previous district inventory.
- The ADCM and OAL will work together to find a venue and attendees will provide a potluck meal. The DCM will look into finding a facilitator.

- **Should we have a Literature Chair?**

- Susan A shared her thoughts on carrying the message through literature and a discussion ensued, the outcome of which was a motion to form a small ad hoc committee to explore the use of literature in our district. Motion was seconded and passed with **17** ayes.
- Susan A will chair the committee and 4 people made themselves available for service.
- **St Andrews Church Liaison**
- The ADCM met with Julie, St Andrews secretary and gave his report on their changes and policies.
- GSRs are requested to discuss with their home groups how they feel about having the ADCM act for them in any dealings they have with St Andrews.

New Business: No new business was presented

Adjournment:

Motion made and seconded to adjourn meeting, motion passes by majority vote.

Meeting adjourns at **8:48** pm with the Responsibility Pledge.

Minutes submitted by Vicki S, District Secretary

Documents (distributed at meeting and archived with minutes)

Agenda, Roll Call, Financials (summary, contributions, expenses), DCM Report, Corrections Facilities handout, General Service Conference 2013 Final Report