



Meeting Minutes, February 11, 2014

Meeting called to order by DCM at 7:15pm with the Serenity Prayer

Groups Represented: 13

Fridays First >>> Mon Happy Hour Promises >>> Mon Womens Group >>> Mon-Fri Attitude Adjustment >>> Sat Centre Hall Discussion >>> Sat Gratitude Meeting >>> Sober Sisters >>> Thurs Night Big Book >>> Tues Bellefonte Step >>> Tues Young Hope >>> Tues/Thurs Primary Purpose >>> Wed Living In the Solution >>> Wed Step Meeting

Officer Reports:

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

- > March 11th, St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 301 N. Pennsylvania Ave., Centre Hall
- > April 8th, St Andrews Episcopal Church, (Canterbury Hall), 208 W. Foster Ave., State College
- > May 13th, tentatively scheduled for Mill Hall Presbyterian Church, 109 Main St., Mill Hall
- > District 43 Corrections and Institutions Workshop March 22nd, Saturday, 2:00 to 4:00 pm at Pine Hall Lutheran Church, 1760 W. College Ave., State College

Secretary (Vicki S):

- No corrections or amendments are requested for the January 14th, 2014 meeting minutes. Motion made to accept minutes as is and seconded, motion passes with 14 ayes, none opposed.
- Updated district roster will be e-mailed to GSRs in February and hard copies will be available at the March district meeting.

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

- > Total contributions in December amounted to **\$1048.67**
- > Total expenditures amounted to **\$91.13**
- > The C&I Literature fund has a balance of **\$413.05**
- > The available cash balance for all other expenditures is **\$1433.73**
- > Prudent Reserve is at **\$1200.00**
- > Projected expenses for February are **\$131.50 +**
- The Treasurer reports that we have met our prudent reserve goal of **\$1200.00** and that our cash balance is high enough to start discussing options for using the surplus. The discussion that ensued reflected many opinions and fell into two main categories.

(1) Send money to Area/GSO

- to fulfill our commitment to them early in the year and avoid budgetary problems later.

(2) Keep money within our own district and

- provide more conference funding for DCM/ADCM and perhaps provide the fees for GSRs, whose home groups lack the funds, to attend the conference or pre-conference.
- have committees assess their monetary needs for 'carrying the message' over the course of the year and bring that back to district for discussion.

Opinions, both pro and con for these ideas, were expressed and there was some confusion about the best way(s) to distribute our funds. GSR's were asked to mull over these ideas and get feedback for further discussion at March district meeting.

- A motion is made to accept the Treasurer's report and seconded, motion passes with 16 ayes, none opposed

WebServant (Jenni L): (Contact the WebServant at info@district43.com)

- Jenni reports that emails and postings are up to date. She has created a Group Descriptions page and two groups have submitted their information. GSRs should tell their home groups about this new feature and send Jenni their information.
- Jenni requests that GSRs and their home groups look at the website with “fresh eyes” and give feedback as she makes changes to improve the website. Dan W. states that “The website is easy to browse on the phone.” Other feedback at the meeting for the webservant is that “it’s in good hands” and the GSRs appreciate her vigilance in keeping things up to date.

ADCM (Wayne L):

- The ADCM took the opportunity to talk about the Pre-Conference Sharing Session hosted by District 65, Location: St Cecilia’s Social Hall, 750 State Drive, Lebanon, PA on Sunday, April 13th. Having had the experience of attending in the past and witnessing what a powerful and inspiring event this is, Wayne encourages the GSRs to come share in this amazing day of AA in action.

DCM (Lisa T): See Feb District Inventory Results for full details.

- Note: Since DCM objectives and events were covered in the Jan DCM report there is no ‘regular format’ DCM report for Feb. The DCM will focus on reviewing the district inventory results this month. All GSR’s will receive an email copy of the inventory results which includes the missing page. GSRs are responsible for reviewing the district inventory results with their home groups.
- The DCM distributed a registration flyer for the **Circle of Hope Roundup**. This conference is organized by the Reading-Berks Intergroup, **May 2-4, 2014** Rodeway Inn (Formerly the Ramada Inn), 2545 North 5th Street Reading, PA 19605. The DCM described it as a “speaker jam”.
- On Sunday, Feb 16th the DCM is traveling to Philadelphia to present at a joint South-East Intergroup/Area event on what her Corrections committee does.
- Simon F and Sally K responded to the DCMs request for volunteers to help with delivering materials for the Drug and Alcohol Office.

Summaries:

- April 12th, Saturday, AA Dance – Potluck at **6pm**, “Good Old-timer” Speaker at **7pm** followed by a Dance at **8pm** - Pleasant Gap United Methodist Church, 179 S. Main Street.
- Cook Forest Conference coming in **May**. Be on the lookout for a flyer from the Bellefonte Freedom Circle about camping out.
- Corrections and Institutions Open House, **March 22nd, Saturday, 2 – 4pm** Pine Hall Lutheran Church, 1760 W. College Ave., State College. Dessert provided.

Actions: No Actions presented

Tradition 2 - 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 not govern.

Committee Reports:

Archives (Nancy B): Nancy not present, Vicki gave report

- The Archives committee will purchase a copy the 75th Anniversary facsimile first edition big book.
- A District 43 Year-at-a-glance report for 2013 should be available for review at the March district meeting.

Corrections & Institutions (C&I) (chairperson position is open) DCM gave report:

- Bill Q has stepped down as C&I chair. The responsibilities of the C&I chairperson are detailed in the District 43 Structure Manual. They are also listed in the C&I Subcommittee flyer that has been updated by the DCM and distributed to the GSRs.

- An order for C&I literature amounting to **\$412.00** is being prepared. The DCM has details of the order. The cost of this order will be paid out of the Pink Can Fund.
Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) (Kevin K):
- The Hotline volunteer list should be completed by the March district meeting.
- YOP Schedule – The meetings take place at 8:15pm at the Community Help Center.
www.communityhelpcentre.com
- Simon F has committed to Feb 13th, 17th and Mar 31st , other dates may still be open. Check with Kevin K.

Thursday,	Feb	13 th
Monday,	Feb	17 th
Thursday,	March	27 th
Monday,	March	31 st
Thursday,	April	17 th
Monday,	April	21 st

Public Information (PI) (Rodney C): No Report

- A few GSRs shared their thoughts on places they thought AA literature might be appreciated.
- A motion was made and seconded to approve a **\$59.00** order of literature for Centre County Drug and Alcohol Office. Motion passed with **14** ayes, none opposed

Structure (Wayne L): No Report

- The Saturday Gratitude Meeting’s GSR (Sue G) received a District Structure Manual.

Visitation (Susan A):

- Visitation will be holding a committee meeting at **6:30pm** on March **11th**, directly before the district meeting.
- The ADCM will be visiting the Pine Hall meeting on Sunday, Feb **16th**
- The visitation committee will tell groups about our website’s Group Description page and ask for their information when visiting.

Ad Hoc Literature (Susan A): No Report

Concept 2 - The General Service Conference of A.A. has become, for nearly every practical purpose, the active voice and the effective conscience of our whole Society in its world affairs.

Old Business: None

New Business:

● **District 43 Phone List**

- In the past, District 43 compiled and distributed a district phone list. AAs names and phone numbers could be accessed from group to group. It was discontinued, after extensive debate at district, because there was no way to prevent it from being abused and compromising anonymity. The ADCM has received requests to make it available again. GSRs are requested to ask homegroup members how they feel about this.
- A motion was made and seconded to table discussion on this issue. Motion passed with **13** ayes, none opposed

Adjournment:

Motion made and seconded to adjourn meeting, motion passes by majority vote.
Meeting adjourns at **8:48pm** 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), District 43 Inventory Results, C&I subcommittee updated flyer, Circle of Hope Roundup flyer