



# Meeting Minutes, July 8, 2014

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

Groups Represented: 17

Friday Night Teachables >>> Mon As Bill Sees It >>> Mon Happy Hour Promises >>>  
Mon Night Winners >>> Mon-Fri Serenity at Noon >>> Sat Centre Hall Discussion >>>  
Saturday Gratitude Meeting >>> Sunday Came to Believe >>> Thurs Bellefonte Big Book  
>>> Thurs Sober Sisters >>> Tues Bellefonte 12 Step >>> Tues Young Hope >>>  
Tues/Thurs Philipsburg >>> Wed It's OK To Be AA >>> Wed Living In The Solution >>>  
Wed Night Bellefonte >>> Wed State College One Hour Step

## Officer Reports:

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

- August 12<sup>th</sup> - St. John Lutheran Church, 216 N. McAllister St., Bellefonte
- September 9<sup>th</sup> - St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 301 N. Pennsylvania Ave., Centre Hall
- October 14<sup>th</sup> - St Andrews Episcopal Church, (Library), 208 W. Foster Ave., State College

Secretary (Vicki S):

- The mid-year update of the GSR Roster will be e-mailed to the GSRs on July 15<sup>th</sup>. Please e-mail the Secretary with any last minute changes.
- No corrections or amendments are requested for the **June 10**, 2014 meeting minutes. Motion made to accept minutes as is and seconded, motion passes with **18** ayes, none opposed.

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

- > Total contributions in June amounted to **\$328.24**
- > Total expenditures amounted to **\$693.67**
- > The C&I Literature fund has a balance of **\$169.84**
- > The available cash balance for all other expenditures is **\$1251.70**
- > Prudent Reserve is at **\$1200.00**
- > Projected expenses for July are **\$109.50**
- The Treasurer reports that there “is nothing on the horizon” as far as large payments.
- A motion is made to accept the Treasurer’s report and seconded, motion passes with **17** ayes, none opposed.

WebServant (Jenni L): (Contact the WebServant at [info@district43.com](mailto:info@district43.com)) Jenni not present, DCM gave report

- Jenni reported to the DCM that all e-mails have been responded to, events have been listed and meeting info is up to date on the website.
- No meeting descriptions were submitted last month. For the benefit of several new GSRs, the DCM explained the [meeting descriptions page](#) that Jenni added to the website and how it will help AAs who are searching for a meeting. GSRs are asked to support this effort by submitting their home group meeting information to the WebServant.

ADCM (Wayne L):

- In the effort to encourage and inform GSRs about service as a district officer, the ADCM spoke about his responsibilities.
  - Wayne says that his job is to “tag along with Lisa”. He is referring to the cycle of service where he and the DCM take our district’s voice to Area and bring back the collective voice of Area 59 to share with District 43. He finds his involvement in this service very rewarding.
  - At the District level he acts as backup when the DCM is unable to serve, (e.g., chairing a District meeting). He attends all District meetings and functions and takes on roles as needed, (e.g., Liaison to St Andrews). He chairs the Structure Committee and advises other committees as needed.
  - At the Area level the ADCM is expected to travel with the DCM to Area quarterly meetings and other Area activities. Wayne is particularly enthusiastic about his involvement in Area work and how it has opened up his world and given him a new appreciation of AA fellowship and service. (Although it is not required of an ADCM to sit on an Area committee, Wayne serves on the Area 59 Corrections Committee.)

DCM (Lisa T): (see July DCM Report)

- **November 14-16, 2014**, Eastern Pennsylvania General Service Assembly (EPGSA) Registration forms are available. GSRs spread the word about attending the Convention.
- **4th Quarter Area Committee Meeting, September 14<sup>th</sup>** - Hosted by District 48. Loyalsock Volunteer Fire Company, 715 Northway Road Williamsport, Pa. 17701. Doors open 8:00 AM; Area Meeting starts 11:00 AM SHARP! The DCM encourages the GSRs to attend by reminding them of our proximity to Williamsport and describing in detail how the area meeting agenda plays out over the course of the day.
- **GSR rotation time** is not too far away to think about whom in your home group should be encouraged to serve as a GSR.
- **2015 International Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous**, Atlanta, GA, **July 2-5** Area 59 and Area 60 will be co-hosting a joint hospitality suite. They will need volunteers and monetary contributions. Information is available at [www.area59aa.org](http://www.area59aa.org).

**Summaries:**

- The Millheim Group invites you to the annual "Friends, Fun, Fishing, Frolic, Feast, and Flotilla" on **Saturday, July 19**, at Poe Valley State Park. The event will be staged in the first pavilion (#2) - look for the AA sign. An open meeting will begin at 10 a.m.
- The Port Matilda Group will be having their annual picnic on **Saturday, July 26**, at the Port Matilda Municipal Park. The event will begin at noon with a speaker scheduled for 3:00 p.m. Bring a covered dish. They will also be holding their annual Serenity Under the Stars camping weekend on **September 26-28** at Black Moshannon State Park.

- Medallion Night, July 18<sup>th</sup> at 8pm, will be temporarily relocated, (See Actions)
- The Sunday Afternoon Discussion meeting (3pm) At St Andrews is still in peril of folding without more support.

**Actions:**

- The ADCM reports that the usual location for Medallion Night, Canterbury Hall in St Andrews Church, will be having problems with construction noise so it is not an option for the July 18<sup>th</sup> Medallion Night.
  - Rodney C, GSR for Friday Night Teachables Group (who host Medallion Night), will work with Tony (Medallion Night Representative) to quickly find a new venue.

**Tradition 7** – Each AA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.

**Committee Reports:**

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

- A literature inventory is in progress and it will be e-mailed to the GSRs in August. Dan W reminds Archives that a “checkout” system for archival material needs to be put in place too.
- Several ongoing projects (e.g., the display and the manual) need to be discussed by the committee and completed.
- The facsimile edition of the big book ordered for Archives has arrived.

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

- Bill reports that two new AA volunteers are approved for service at Centre County Jail. He says it’s still “like throwing darts” to get approved. Meetings at Benner SCI will expand to two night time meetings and meetings during the day.
- Bill responds to Craig’s question about the “long process” (months) involved in processing the paperwork for prison service. Bill says that this is not unusual, the paperwork bounces from place to place. Bill will try to follow up with the prison administrators on the “overdue” applications.

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

- Kevin reports that CPC is inactive at present. The YOP schedule should be available in August.

Literature (Susan A): Susan not present, Craig A gave report

- Craig reports that the initial literature order is being placed. They received four orders from four groups. Pickup on these orders will be at the next district meeting on August 12<sup>th</sup>.

Public Information (PI) (Rodney C):

- Rodney reports that the order for new PI literature has been placed.
- PI has obtained permission to leave AA literature at Schlow Library in State College. Other libraries in our district will also be asked.
- PI is making an effort to post the tear-off flyer, Is Your Drinking a Problem?, in new locations. Rodney posted one at the Lemont Village Association bulletin board in the Lemont post office.

- It was suggested that this flyer be made available on the district 43 website for any AA to print off if they know of a location that has given permission to post it. All agreed that this was a good idea and the secretary will send the file to the WebServant for posting.

Structure (Wayne L):

- Wayne reports that he is working on a Literature Committee write up to add to the Structure Manual and will make it available for district approval at the August district meeting.

Visitation: The Visitation Committee is not active at present.

**Concept 7** - The Conference recognizes that the Charter and the Bylaws of the General Service Board are legal instruments: that the Trustees fully empowered to manage and conduct all of the world service affairs of Alcoholics Anonymous. It is further understood that the Conference Charter itself is not a legal document: that it relies instead upon the force of tradition and the power of the A.A. purse for its final effectiveness.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

- District 43 liaison to St. Andrews – should it be an ongoing (from panel to panel) responsibility of the ADCM or set up as a unique position requiring the district to vote on candidates?
  - The discussion favored having whoever takes on the position of ADCM act as the liaison to St Andrews.
  - A motion was made and seconded to give the ADCM the responsibility of acting as the district's liaison to St Andrews Church. A vote was taken, motion passed with **19** ayes, none opposed.

**Adjournment:**

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

Meeting adjourns at **8:25pm** with the Responsibility Pledge.

Minutes submitted by Vicki S, District Secretary

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**Documents** (distributed at meeting and archived with minutes)

Agenda, Roll Call, Financials (summary, contributions, expenses), DCM report, flyers for

- Millheim AA Annual Frolic and Feast at Poe Valley S.P.
- 2015 International Convention of AA – Areas 59 & 60 co-hosting a joint hospitality suite.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Hickory Run Campout
- 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Pennsylvania State Convention