



Meeting Minutes, November 11, 2014

Meeting called to order by DCM at 7:15pm with the Serenity Prayer and Introductions. Welcome Earl M, new GSR for Monday Night Winners

Groups Represented: 15

Friday Night Teachables >>> Mon - Happy Hour Promises >>> Mon- As Bill Sees It >>> Monday Night Winners >>> Mon-Fri Serenity at Noon >>> Mon-Sat Attitude Adjustment >>> Sat- Centre Hall Discussion >>> Sat- Gratitude >>> Sat- Keep It Green >>> Thursday Sober Sisters >>> Tues Bellefonte 12 Step >>> Tuesday Young Hope >>> Tues/Thurs Primary Purpose >>> Thursday Night Big Book >>> Wed Night Bellefonte >>>

Officer Reports:

Officer-at-Large (Amy H):

Schedule for upcoming district meetings –

- December 9th – Zion Lutheran Church, Church and Pine Sts, Boalsburg

Secretary (Vicki S):

- No corrections or amendments are requested for the **October 14**, 2014 meeting minutes. A motion is made to accept minutes as is and seconded, motion passes with **16** ayes, none opposed.

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

- > Total contributions in October amounted to **\$1064.02**
- > Total expenditures amounted to **\$524.93**
- > The C&I Literature fund has a balance of **\$109.96**
- > The available cash balance for all other expenditures is **\$2180.86**
- > Prudent Reserve is at **\$1200.00**
- > Projected expenses for November are **\$259.00**
- A motion is made to accept the Treasurer’s report and seconded, motion passes with **18** ayes, none opposed.
- The Treasurer asks that GSRs check the contributions report to make sure their donations are correct. She also comments that our groups have been generous in their contributions to district.
- The Treasurer requests that the district start a discussion on what to do with its available cash, (**Note:** The **\$1200.00** prudent reserve will roll over to the next Panel in its entirety but the cash on hand, which is in excess of **\$2000.00**, will be disbursed to carry the message. A discussion ensued and, with only minor differences of opinion on the district’s priorities, it boiled down to a motion to -
 - (1) Set aside **\$1000.00** for the new Panel’s DCM and ADCM to attend the NERAASA Conference.
 - (2) Roll **\$300.00** to the Pink Can Fund for immediate C&I literature expenses.

(3) Wait for the C&I committee to give a dollar amount request for more funds at the December district meeting which will be rolled over for the use of the next C&I Committee.

(4) Roll the remaining cash balance over to the next Panel.

The motion was approved with **18** ayes, none opposed.

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

- Jenny reports that she has updated the meeting list pdf and added the new meeting descriptions she received. All emails have been checked and answered.

ADCM (Wayne L): No Report

DCM (Lisa T): A separate DCM Report was not submitted this month.

- The DCM gave an update on D43 people who will be attending the convention.
- Our DCM and ADCM are involved in presenting a Funshop Skit, First Things First Fashion Show on Saturday afternoon at the convention.

Summaries:

- Centre Hall Discussion Group – Saturday, November 15th - is hosting its Annual Anniversary Potluck Dinner and Meeting. Fellowship and food at **6pm**, open speaker meeting at **7pm**.

Actions: None

Tradition 11 - Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain anonymity at the level of press, radio and films.

Committee Reports:

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

- Vicki S will be going to the convention on Saturday and hopes to have a conversation with the Area Archivist.

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

- Bill gave an update on AA attendance at prison meetings. There is still only a very small core group of (older) AAs attending. Here is a great Bill quote. "If you want to stay sober, go to one meeting at Rockview." GSRs should remind any AAs undecided about jail service that they might get back a lot more from a jail meeting than they give.
- Bill will be stepping down as C&I Chair due to health problems but will keep up with advising the committee and will continue to attend as many meetings as he can at the prisons.
- Bill says that Corinne Schaffer, Drug & Alcohol Director at Benner SCI would like to come and talk to us. Arrangements for this will likely be the responsibility of the new Panel. Bill reports that she has done extensive paperwork to approve seven AAs and only four attend meetings. She isn't too happy about this and Bill reminds us that to do any good for inmates we need to keep our relationship with prison officials as positive as possible.

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

- Kevin reports that YOP is going well. Jimmy H is doing a spectacular job of rounding up people and it's much better with younger AA volunteers attending.
- Kevin will connect with the hotline people and the update will be in January.

- Susan A brought up an issue that should be addressed by the CPC committee. Against protocol, her phone number was given directly to a hotline caller. She found the call to be 'uncomfortable' and requests that Kevin let them know that they may have a training issue. Kevin said he would bring it to their attention.

Literature (Susan A):

- The 4th quarter literature order is here. D43 thanks Craig A for picking it up in NYC. Prepaid orders for literature are taken every quarter (Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct) and picked up at the district meeting on the following month.

Public Information (PI) (Rodney C):

- Distribution of the new flyers has been taken care of with the exception of Philipsburg and Lock Haven locations.
- Rodney says that he has some literature left but the new committee will need to order more.

Structure (Wayne L): No report

Visitation: The Visitation Committee is not active at present.

Concept 11- The trustees should always have the best possible committees, corporate service directors, executives, staffs, and consultants. Composition, qualification, induction procedures, and the rights and duties will always be matters of serious concern.

Old Business: None

New Business:

- Election of the 2015 - 2016 Panel Officers. (Refer to pages 15-16 of the D43 Structure Manual for our voting procedures.)
 - > **Wayne L** will serve as **DCM**
 - > **Susan A** will serve as **ADCM**
 - > Secretary, Treasurer and Officer-at-Large are not yet filled.
 - > **Jenny L** will serve as **WebServant**
- The DCM says that another way to offer your service is to be a meeting facilitator. For example, Debbie C is the contact for the Youth Detention Center. She ensures that not too many or too few volunteers are attending a meeting. She will be transitioning out and someone will be needed to take her place. The Meadows meeting may also need a contact.

Adjournment:

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

Meeting adjourns at **8:35pm** 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), flyer for Centre Hall Anniversary potluck meeting, article on anonymity from Nov. 2014 Grapevine (Mike the Plumber and Airplane Tim)