



Meeting Minutes

August 14, 2018

Groups Represented

Sunday Came to Believe
Tuesday Twelve and Twelve
Sunday Eleventh Step Healing Group
Young Hope
Friday Night Teachables
Saturday Living Sober
Gratitude Group
Happy Hour Promises
Wednesday 8:00 Step Meeting
Tuesday/Thursday Primary Purpose
Monday As Bill Sees It
Milesburg Friday Night Spiritual Side
Centre Hall Saturday Night
The Meadows Tuesday 6:30
Monday Noon
Sunday Came to Believe
Mill Hall Group
Monday Winners
Living in the Solution

The meeting was held at St. Andrews in State College and was called to order at 7:15 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer.

Officer Reports:

Officer-at-Large (Jen): The next district meeting will be held on September 12 at Zion Lutheran Church in Boalsburg.

Secretary (Paul H.): The minutes of the June 10 meeting were approved.

Treasurer (Shannon): Shannon reported that as of July 31 the total available funds are \$1,499.59 above the prudent reserve of \$1,200.

Web Servant (Tad): Tad reminded GSRs to let him know about AA events and he will post them. He said that Cook Forest (September 7-9) is currently posted. He also said that most of the e-mail being received through the site lately is spam.

ADCM (Bob): Bob reported that because Carrie is back at school she will not be available for the next two months and she has asked Bob to fill in as ADCM.

DCM (Carrie): Carrie was absent as noted above.

Summaries and Actions

GSRs were reminded of the annual Cook Forest event scheduled for September 7-9.

Committee Reports

Archives: Bob donated an artifact for our District archives. He gave it to Paul for placement in the archives. It is a District 43 meeting list dated January 1992 in very good condition.

C&I (Corrections & Institutions): Applications are being accepted for the next round of PREA training and GSRs are asked to promote this. PREA training is required in order to enter a prison. More women are applying and males are especially needed. The dates for this training will be announced in the near future. All of this information is accessible on the District website for anyone who is interested.

CPC (Cooperation with the Professional Community): Roger reported that a wider range of human services hotlines are being consolidated under Centre Helps, which receives the calls made to the AA hotline. Most recently the suicide hotline has been folded into Centre Helps. Roger said that this makes sense as a cost saving approach, and the people at Centre Helps are trained professionals.

PI (Public Information): No report.

Structure: Bob reported that he would like update the structure manual and he will bring forward some recommended updates at a later date.

Visitation: Jamie reported that he has visited 9 meetings as far away as Avis, and he is enjoying it and he plans to be completely caught up very soon.

Old Business

Old Business and New Business were combined to address a range of topics.

New Business:

Bob introduced Paul M, the Area 59 Delegate to the General Services Office. Paul made a very comprehensive and informative presentation on the structure and decision processes of AA as a formal organization from top to bottom, or he would say, from bottom to top!

Bob distributed registration packets for the November 2-4 EPGSA conference.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved by voice vote to reimburse Bob for purchase of 12 hard back Big Books for prisons from general funds.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved by voice vote authorizing our DCM to lend our endorsement to a proposal by Area 59 to spend \$1,200 per month to rent space for proper storage of archives.

A motion was made and seconded to create an ad hoc committee to examine options with regard to the AA hotline. This relates to the issue of the expansion of Centre Helps across a broader range of services. Some concern was expressed that AA's message might not be carried as well in such a mix. A written ballot was held and the motion did not pass. The vote was: 4 yes; 9 no, and 3 no decision. In accordance with traditions, everyone with interest in this was encouraged to continue to refine the idea for future consideration. It was also suggested that one or more of the standing committees might want to take a look at the questions concerning the AA hotline.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.