District 43 Meeting Minutes

April 11, 2023

Open with Serenity Prayer at 6:45pm

Officer Reports

Officer-at-Large

Todd reported that the May meeting (5/9/23) will be held at Pleasant Gap United Methodist Church, 179 S. Main Street, Pleasant Gap.

Secretary

Shannon asked if there were any corrections to the February minutes, none noted. Motion to approve the February minutes (Pass).

Treasurer:

Jules reported we started March with \$2,123.71 in the bank. March's expenses were \$63.11 to Verizon. We had \$530.80 in 7th Tradition contributions and \$153 in Pink Can contributions. The District's available funds above prudent reserve are \$935.65. There's \$608.75 available in Pink Can funds. March's ending balance was \$2,744.40. We will vote to approve the March financials at the next meeting because they had not been distributed to everyone prior to this meeting.

Web Servant:

Brock was out of town but emailed this to the group for his report - "I will be meeting with Todd before next month's meeting to make a more informed decision about what improvements can be made to the website. I would like to note that, as of now, I am still able to post events on the website and edit the page, although it still takes longer than I would like it to."

ADCM:

Kelli H.- No report other than the structure committee had its first meeting and it was awesome! See committee reports for more info.

DCM:

Pre-Conference Sharing Session - took place right after our district meeting on April 15th in Allentown. Alex distributed a handout that listed a dozen or so of the many items that were up for discussion on 4/15. Format will be different this year, someone will present on each topic and then there will be a round table discussion. As noted last month, if you had input on any of these topics you could use the QR code previously circulated to add your input to this discussion.

Update w/ GSO Trustees- Does there need to be a better policy in place to vote out a board member and bring concerns about a board member's conduct to the rest of the committee? Did the committee act too hastily and was there a due process that was conducted in addressing Linda's conduct? These will be the self-correcting questions AA will try to answer and our delegate will surely weigh in on this issue at the General Service conference. If you have an opinion, group conscious or questions, please let Alex know.

Summaries and Actions

Medallion Night April 28th at 7pm at St. Andrew's still needs a host group.

Paul announced that the Millheim Saturday morning group was having a brunch this Saturday 4/15 at 9am followed by a meeting at 9:30.

We sang happy birthday to Sue T.!

Monthly Tradition Discussion Tradition 4

Committee Reports:

Archives/Structure/Visitation -

Paul reported that the committee met on 3/30. In attendance was Sue T., Kelli, Taylor, Vince and Paul.

Visitation - They put together a visitation packet as per the guidelines in the structure manual (see Paul for copies). They divided up the meetings that don't have a GSR and are giving out packets to those meetings. They will update us if any of these meetings turn out to be inactive so we can update the website accordingly.

Archives - Vince had things in good order. Some members will meet at the Clubhouse later this month to go through our archives since nobody but Vince is familiar. Suggestions are welcome for what to do with this stuff. Andrew suggested setting out a table at Medallion Night so members could see our collection.

Structure - the committee would like direction relative to recent changes made (i.e. pink can funds staying in our district). Do they draft something to put in the manual and bring it to the group for approval? Do they physically update the manual? Asking for a general understanding of how this works.

Nest meeting is 4/27 at 7pm on Zoom.

Corrections & Institutions -

No chair identified yet for this committee. Members are Jules, Lisa T., Nick, Sean, John D., Tim L. and possibly Corey. Benner and Rockview are going to open their doors for

meetings soon. We have a lot of pink can funds and Jules suggested we use some of those for literature in Benner and Rockview once we get back in there. New volunteers for the women's meeting at Centre County have been working out great. Nick will check to see if the Detention Center is open to having meetings again. The Meadows is always looking for support, that meeting is Tuesday evenings.

CPC/PI/Website-

Committee consists of Kristin, Scott, Brock and Jamie so far. Kristin reported that they met on zoom the week before the district meeting. They divided up places to call and ask if they need What is AA pamphlets (pamphlets will have a stamp on them with the hotline phone number and district website). Jamie reported that he already touched base with a lot of these offices. Kelli shared that in her old district they used cards similar to business cards with small stands that didn't take up as much room as pamphlets. The phone list for the hotline was brought up which is something that CPC oversees. Darren reminded us that the list is no longer being tossed every 6 months. It's assumed that folks who signed up want to remain on the list and the committee will check in with them every year or so to confirm that they want to remain on the list. Andrew joined the committee and offered to be the chair. Website - tabled the service provider issue until Brock returns and has a chance to meet with Todd.

Old Business

Creating a Budget for District 43 - Jules verbally summarized the expenses District 43 has and we talked about what would be most helpful, an actual budget or a list of what expenses to expect and when they are due (also a budget!). Jules will put something together for us to look at next month.

New Business

Darren and Andrew reported that a venue has been secured for the June quarterly Area meeting that our district is hosting. It will be at the Milesburg Community Center on Sunday June 11, 2023. Now we need to start collecting volunteers and organizing this event. A committee will begin meeting on Sunday April 23rd at 7pm using the District zoom account and will meet weekly after that to organize the event. Anyone willing to participate in any capacity is encouraged to attend. Please spread the word.

Jules shared that the "live" structure manual document was on Lisa T's work computer and since she is retiring, it needed a new home. Jules got the document and gave copies to Kelli and Alex. Jules also reported that she needs to transfer the Zoom account to Todd since that is the responsibility of the Officer at Large.

Kristin asked if our district could have a fellowship committee.

Close with the Declaration of Unity at 8:30pm

Attendance (18)

Alex (DCM) Kelli (ADCM) Jules (Treasurer) Shannon (Secretary) Todd (Officer at Large) Jan (GSR Keep It Simple Sunday) Jamie (GSR Friday Night Teachables) Paul (GSR Attitude Adjustment) Randy (GSR Wed. Candlelight Bellefonte) Jayson (GSR Snow Shoe Group/Alt-GSR Wed. Candle Light) Sue (GSR Happy Hour Promises & Noon Primary Purpose) Taylor (GSR Tuesday 12 Step and Monday Women's Step) Nick (GSR Living in the Solution) Scott (Alt-GSR Friday Teachables) Kristin (GSR- Gratitude) Rich (GSR- Came to Believe) Darren (visitor) Andrew (visitor)