



Date: 3/12/24 St Andrew's Episcopal Church, Canterbury Hall

Open with Serenity Prayer at 6:50 pm

Welcome & Introductions

- Alex-DCM
- Kelli-ADCM
- Todd- Officer at Large
- Jules-Treasurer
- Shannon-Secretary
- Brock-Web Servant
- Nick- GSR, Living in the Solution
- Jamie- GSR, Centre Hall Saturday Night
- Scott- GSR, Friday Night Teachables
- Vince- GSR, Milesburg
- Elise- Alt GSR, Milesburg
- Randy- GSR, Wednesday Night Candlelight Bellefonte
- Jayson- GSR, Snow Shoe
- Paul- GSR, Attitude Adjustment
- Daniel- GSR, Young Hope
- Kristin- GSR, Gratitude
- Andrew- Chair, CPC/PI/Website committee
- Darren- Visitor
- Kristen- Visitor

Officer Reports:

Officer-at-Large:

Todd reports that for the next 3 months (April 9, May 14, June 11) our meeting will be held at St. John's Lutheran in Bellefonte (216 N. McAllister St., Bellefonte, PA 16823).

Secretary:

Approve February Minutes - thank you Kristin!!

Treasurer:

Report was sent out. We started February with \$3,503.19 in the bank. February's expenses totaled \$508.18 and consisted of the Verizon bill, the quarterly Centre Helps payment, and the annual fees to GoDaddy for website hosting and domain name. We had \$45.00 in 7th Tradition contributions and \$127.00 in Pink Can contributions. Out of Pink Can, we spent \$315.06 on literature for the Meadows, so we have \$151.19 available pink can funds. The District's available funds above prudent reserve are \$1,651.95. February's ending balance including the prudent reserve was \$2,851.95. Motion to approve the February financial report passed unanimously.

Web Servant:

Brock reported that he will post the meeting minutes that were just approved.

ADCM:

No report

DCM:

NERAASA- Alex attended the annual NERAASA (Northeast Regional AA Service Assembly) in February which was held in Hershey this year. There were 6 different panel discussions and Alex also attended the CPC Round table since that is the committee he chairs for Area 59. Please see the attached notes Alex shared with us from the panels and the round table discussion.

Area March Quarterly Meeting- oopsie, Alex's notes got deleted but what he does recall is:

- Our delegate is still on the literature committee.
- The Pre Conference Sharing Session is coming up on April 6 in Philadelphia, hosted by District 25. All are welcome to attend! Alex has room in his car if you'd like to go.
- The Area 59 Alternate Delegate stepped down due to health concerns. Instead of turning to the structure manual to follow protocol for how to distribute the Alt Delegate's duties, the Delegate distributed the duties as he saw fit without consulting others or the structure manual. He skipped over the chair person who should've been given those duties and instead assigned them to the secretary. Alex was honest with us about his vote supporting the Delegate's decision but admitted that it did not feel good to vote that way. Alex encouraged us to participate in EPGSA this year because it is a voting year and we want to have a say in who is elected!

Summaries and Actions (A Summary is an announcement. An Action is something you would like input on or to hear the group's experience on the issue.):

Paul announced the monthly breakfast in Millheim will be Saturday March 16, food and fellowship at 9am, meeting at 9:30.

Monthly Tradition Discussion: Tradition 3

Committee Reports:

Archives, Structure, Visitation:

Paul reported:

- No report for Archives and Structure.
- Visitation is still picking off meetings that don't have representation one at a time. If you attend a meeting that doesn't have a GSR, please speak to a home group member and see if there is any interest.
- If anyone is interested in going to a Renovo or Avis meeting, please let Paul know and you can go together.
- He has not received any of the group contact forms that he emailed out weeks ago. Please complete the form for your group so that we can get the info updated behind the scenes on the website.

C&I (Corrections & Institutions):

Jules reported:

- We have a couple new members going into Centre County Correctional Facility. They were approved after PREA training in February and are now approved to attend.
- Lisa T. has been in touch with the Juvenile Detention Center and is working on getting that meeting up and running again.
- John D. reached out because Rockview has literature needs so we will try to accommodate once we know what they need.
- Shannon added that Clinton County now has a new female member approved so we might be able to take more than two meetings a month there.

CPC (Cooperation with the Professional Community), PI (Public Information), Website Committee:

Andrew reported:

- They are working on updating the hot line phone list for Centre Helps. Instead of passing around new lists every six months, they are checking with folks on the list to see if they want to stay on the list.
- Kristin got in touch with Centre Helps and we have a new contact there now. They asked us to do training there this Monday 3/18 at 6pm and the committee will show up!
- The letter that Andrew emailed to the Drug Court about the presentation we would like to make has gotten no response. Discussion about the best way to get the letter in front of someone. Elise shared that she has strong ties to the drug and DUI court and would be happy to help deliver the letter. Darren strongly encourages anyone with helpful connections like this to consider joining the committee.

Old Business:

Continued Website Discussion

- Paul- Rule 62 clubhouse does have a facebook page, which is a recovery based facebook page not affiliated with any particular fellowship. Paul spoke to John D who is the administrator of the page and they would love to post the announcements that we are struggling with putting on the website
- Vince- Milesburg group goes along with what Paul said; anything that supports 12th step work belongs on web; social things should not be
- Kristin- Gratitude group suggests a couple extra clicks to get to the more inward facing info, passwords are forgotten, unanimously not interested in a password
- Jules- Tuesday night step meeting (bellefonte) likes website as is, no need to change
- Daniel- young hope, wants to stop talking about it, wants us to come up with a solution that puts this to bed once and for all; password protected layer interesting but not necessary
- Alex summarized- we agree that no non-AA related events should be on our website. No social events whatsoever on the website. Kelli and Paul will come up with wording for the structure manual so this doesn't come up again.
- Lots of discussion about a link on the website connecting you to Rule 62 Clubhouse facebook page, or other recovery pages, and how that goes against tradition 6 and therefore shouldn't be done. Some members were in favor of breaking tradition in order to do this. It was suggested that

the AA.org website posts outside links so we should be able to. Kelli recommended emailing the PI committee at GSO to get their experience using outside links. We tabled this until PI comes back with info from GSO.

New Business:

Alex shared motions from Area 59 to discuss with our home groups (see attached agenda for specifics on each motion)

- Area 59 should strive to offer all Pre-Conference Sharing Sessions (PCSS) and at least one annual Delegate's Conference Report (DCR) in either an online or hybrid format.
- Finance Subcommittee Motion- The Finance Subcommittee recommends a structure manual change that would add a "ceiling" to our operating account.
- The Structure Subcommittee for Area 59 unanimously recommends that the subcommittees of Public Information and Cooperation with the Professional Community, commonly known as P.I. and C.P.C., combine to a singular subcommittee serving both functions for the Area.
- The Archives Subcommittee moves to implement the revised history section of the Structure Manual as submitted in its entirety.

Todd reported that Centre Peace emailed District 43 asking if they could host an AA meeting. They regularly utilize prisoners for moving furniture and other work, and thought this would be a great way to get them a meeting.

Nick made a motion from the Living in the Solution group that all items submitted to Pre-Area officers meeting shall be distributed to the Area DCMs prior to the quarterly Area meeting whether they are included on the agenda or not. Be prepared to vote on this at the next meeting.

Close with the Declaration of Unity at 8:22 pm:

This we owe to A.A.'s future: To place our common welfare first; to keep our fellowship united. For on A.A. unity depend our lives and the lives of those to come.