District 25 Meeting Minutes – Panel 73 March 5, 2024 (Corrected)

Diane M. (D25 – DCM); **Chris B.** (GSR – Good News Group/D25 – Secretary); **Kat L.** (D25 – Treasurer); **Charles W.** (GSR – Vernon Park); **Josh L.** (GSR – Manayunk Big Book); **Jackie** (GSR – Steps 3, 7, and 11: A Spiritual Journey {*Virtual*}); **Wanda S.** (GSR – Briar Road Strep); **Janet M** (GSR – Conscious Contact); **John S.** (GSR – Saturday Night Step); **John St.** (GSR – Mt. Airy Beginners); **Braden** (GSR – East Falls Big Book); **Chrissie L.** (AGSR – Osceola); **Torrey S.** (AGSR – Good News Group); **Douglas R.** (AGSR – Briar Road Step); **Loretta L.** (GSR – Top of the Hill); **Rita D.** (AGSR – West Oak Lane); **Kristen K.** (GSR – Chestnut Hill Big Book)

1 – DCM; 1 – Secretary; 1 – Treasurer; 10 – GSRs; 4 – AGSRs

- 1. Meeting opened at 7:00 PM by **Diane M.** (D25 DCM) with the Serenity Prayer, GSR Preamble, and the "I AM RESPONSIBLE" Pledge.
- 2. A portion of the section *A.A.'s Third Legacy of Service* of <u>The A.A. Service Manual Combined with the</u> Twelve Concepts of World Service.
- 3. Roll Call
 - a. **Diane M.** (D25 DCM) \Rightarrow Present
 - b. Chris B. (GSR Good News Group/D25 Secretary) ⇒ One Group Issue: Attendance at Meetings continues to be an issue as many of the group's scheduled meetings continue to be suspended.

 One Announcement: New Noon Meeting on Wednesdays (Literature)
 - c. Kat L. (D25 Treasurer) \Rightarrow Present
 - d. Charles W. (GSR Vernon Park) ⇒ No Group Issues
 - e. **Josh L.** (GSR Manayunk Big Book) ⇒ No Group Issues
 - f. Jackie (GSR Steps 3, 7, and 11: A Spiritual Journey $\{Virtual\}\} \Rightarrow$ No Group Issues
 - g. Wanda H. (GSR Briar Road Strep) \Rightarrow One Group Issue: Meeting needs support.
 - h. **Janet M** (GSR Conscious Contact) \Rightarrow No Group Issues
 - i. **John S.** (GSR Saturday Night Step) \Rightarrow No Group Issues

- j. **John St.** (GSR Mt. Airy Beginners) ⇒ No Group Issues
- k. **Braden** (GSR East Falls Big Book) \Rightarrow No Group Issues
- I. Chrissie L. (AGSR Osceola) \Rightarrow Present
- m. **Torrey S.** (AGSR Good News Group) \Rightarrow Present
- n. **Douglas R.** (AGSR Briar Road Step) \Rightarrow Present
- o. **Loretta L.** (GSR Top of the Hill) \Rightarrow No Group Issues
- p. Rita D. (AGSR West Oak Lane) \Rightarrow No Group Issues

 Announcement: 51^{st} Group Anniversary, 04/26/2024, 7:00 PM.
- q. Kristen K. (GSR Chestnut Hill Big Book) ⇒ No Group Issues
- 4. The Minutes from the February 2023 District Meeting were presented by **Chris B.** (D25 Secretary).
 - a. **John S.** (GSR Saturday Night Step) made a motion to approve the Minutes as read.
 - i. **Loretta L.** (GSR Top of the Hill) seconded the motion.
 - ii. The motion passed unanimously.
- 5. **Kat L.** (D25 Treasurer) gave the monthly *Webservant's Report* in place of **Lenny T.** (D25 Webservant).
 - a. The website address is www.district25aa.org.
 - b. Please take some time to review the content of the website including the district calendar page.
 - c. Links to all documents contained in a GSR Kit are located on the "LINKS" Page.
 - d. A request for reimbursement for \$388.66 to cover expenses related to renewals officer email package that was due in January of 2024 was made
 - e. A link to the monthly District 25 virtual meeting on the ZOOM Platform was added to the "LINKS" Page.
 - f. A motion was made to approve the Report as read.
 - i. The motion was seconded.
 - ii. The motion passed unanimously.
- 6. The Visitation Committee Report was Tabled until the next meeting in April.

- 7. **Kat L.** (D25 Treasurer) gave the monthly *Treasurer's Report*.
 - a. Wanda H. (GSR Briar Road Strep) made a motion to accept the Report as read.
 - i. **John S.** (GSR Saturday Night Step) seconded the motion.
 - ii. The motion passed unanimously.
- 8. **Diane M.** (D25 DCM) gave the monthly *DCM Report*.
 - a. <u>DCM attended the following events</u>:
 - i. 02/10/2024 35th Annual Area 59-SEPIA Share-A-Day, Tree of Life Church, 933 Baltimore Pike, Springfield, PA.; 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM.
 - ii. 02/23-25/2024 NERAASA (Northeast Regional AA Service Assembly), Hershey, PA (Hosted by Area 59).
 - (1) Total registrants were estimated to be over 1300.
 - (2) Served at the Public Information Table.
 - (3) Served at the Program Table.
 - (4) Attended the DCM Round Table.
 - b. Future Events
 - i. 03/08-10/2024 SEPIA 57th Annual Round-Up, The Grand Hotel, 1045 Beach Avenue, Cape May, NJ.
 - ii. 03/10/2024 Area 59 2nd Quarterly Meeting, Carbondale, PA.
 - iii. 04/06/2024 Pre-Conference Sharing Session, Reformation Lutheran Church, 1215 Vernon Road, Philadelphia, PA 19150 (Hosted by District 25).
 - iv. 05/11/2024 1st Mini-Assembly, Hosted by District 29, TBA.
 - c. Stories are being solicited for the Update to the Pamphlet Do You Think You're Different?
 - i. The deadline for submissions is **April 30, 2024**.
 - (1) Submit your story to the following link:
 - (a) https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/5a77c27d179d4856b32eed86b01e3429

(2) Additional ways of sending your story

- (a) Send an E-Mail to pampletstories@aa.org
 - (i) Subject Line: "Do You Think You're Different?"
- d. Please review the list of proposed Agenda Items for the 2024 General Service Conference.
- e. Please check out AA Newsletters: "We (Area 59)," "Interviews (SEPIA)," and "Box 459 (GSO)."

9. <u>Old Business</u>

- a. Pre-Conference Sharing Session Update: The Location will be the **Reformation Lutheran Church**, **1215 Vernon Road**, **Philadelphia**, **PA 19150**.
 - i. Need volunteers for setup, registration, etc. as well as for the coffee commitment.
 - ii. **Diane M.** (D25 DCM) to plead case for advanced payment from Area Treasurer at next Quarterly Meeting.
- b. **Chris B.** (GSR Good News Group/D25 Secretary) mentioned that the 2025 Alcoholics Anonymous International Convention will take place from 07/03-06/2025 in Vancouver, BC, Canada.
 - i. Urged GSRs to make homegroups aware of the process for DUI, etc. dispensation (see attached).

10. New Business

- a. Need a new ADCM due to **Leroy L.** stepping down.
 - i. The ADCM assists the DCM at Area Meetings along with attending the Monthly Grapevine Meetings.

b. Status of Visitation Committee

- i. **Kat L.** (D25 Treasurer) gave an update.
 - (1) To date the Committee has visited 6 groups.
 - (2) Need volunteers to serve on the Committee as **Kat L.** is currently the only active member.
 - (3) A motion was passed to table the *Visitation Committee* Report indefinitely.

- 11. Tradition Three from the Twelve Traditions Illustrated Pamphlet was read and briefly discussed.
 - a. No rules for membership.
- 12. Concept Three from the <u>Twelve Concepts Illustrated</u> Pamphlet was read and briefly discussed.
 - a. "Right of Decision"
 - b. The GROUP must have trust in its GSR, the DISTRICT must have trust in its DCM, and the AREA must have trust in its DELEGATE.
- 13. **Charles W.** (GSR Vernon Park) gave the *Structure Committee Report* in place of **Lenny T.** (D25 Webservant).
 - a. A DRAFT copy of the proposed District 25 Structure Manual was previously submitted for review by the District GSRs.
 - i. Please present the DRAFT Manual to your homegroups.
 - ii. The next Structure Committee Meeting is scheduled for March 16, 2024.
- 14. Chapter 3: The Area Assembly and Its Activities from The A.A. Service Manual Combined with the Twelve Concepts of World Service was not read due to time constraints.
- 15. The meeting was closed at 9:02 PM with the Serenity Prayer.
- 16. The next District 25 Meeting will take place both in-person; at the **Unitarian Society of Germantown –**6511 Lincoln Drive (enter parking lot off of Johnson Street), Philadelphia, PA; and online via the **ZOOM**Platform (Meeting ID: 711 925 4298, Passcode: 998248) on Tuesday, April 2, 2024; at 7:00 PM.

Prepared and Presented by Chris B., District 25 Secretary.