

District 25 - Panel 71 Meeting Minutes
July 5th, 2022
Via Zoom

Meeting called to order at 7:21 pm. Meeting held via Zoom as Wi-Fi at the UU was not working.

Open with the GSR Preamble.

1. The "[Third Legacy of Service](#)" from the General Service Manual. Read by Candy S.
2. "[I Am Responsible](#)" Declaration. Lead by Candy S.
3. Amanda made a motion to rearrange the meeting agenda to accommodate a visit from Sue M, Secretary Area 59. Second by Karen, Motion carried.
4. Area 59 Secretary, Area 59, Sue M. introduced herself and her position
 - a. Sue M. shared on [Concept VII from The Twelve Concepts Illustrated](#) pamphlet. The Charter and the Bylaws are legal instruments that empower the Conference to manage and conduct all of the world service affairs of AA. The Conference is advisory to the Board and the two entities must find agreement to do what is in the best financial interest of AA as a whole.
 - b. Sue M. shared on [Tradition 7 from The Twelve Traditions Illustrated](#) pamphlet. Every group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.
 - c. Sue talked about her role as secretary for Area 59. Calls to the roll, liaison to the convention, maintains the director for the Area
 - d. Attendees were provided time for questions
5. Roll Call

NAME	MEETING	UPDATES
Wanda (GSR)	Briar Road Step	Still on conference call; no issues.
Amanda G (GSR/Secretary)	Chestnut Hill Big Book	No issues.
Ben J. (GSR)	Chestnut Hill Step	No issues.
Kat L. (GSR)	Manayunk Big Book	No issues. Discontinuing zoom at the end of July. Going to in-person only beginning in August.
Josh L (AGSR)	Manayunk Big Book	No issues.
Pete (GSR)	Osceola	Meeting in person and on zoom on alternating days
Diane M. (ADCM)	Sunshine Group	No issues
Lenny (GSR/Webservant)	Sunshine Group	Gratitude meeting was planned for June 26 th and had to be rescheduled to Sunday, July 24 th at 3 pm; has some excess funds and considering scholarships to EPGSA
Rebecca (AGSR)	Sunshine Group	

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Mike R. (GSR)	Thursday Night Beginners	No issues
Krista (AGSR)	Thursday Night Beginners	
Leroy (GSR)	Top of the Hill	Meeting on zoom and in-person; meeting space is under reno although still able to have meetings in a different room. Spoke to group about literature for correctional facilities.
Karen C (AGSR)	Top of the Hill	
Charles (AGSR)	Vernon Park	Meeting on zoom on M/W/F; T/Th/Sa/Su meeting via conference call. No issues.
Celeste (GSR)	Wister Group	Meeting online; no issues. F 6:30 pm
Candy S (DCM)	Wister Group	
Susan M.	Area 59 Secretary	secretart@area59aa.org

6. Minutes from June meeting
 - a. Minutes reviewed.
 - b. Motion to accept by Celeste, second by Karen C.
7. Treasurer's Report – Tabled until August.
8. ADCM Report – Diane M.
 - a. No report
9. Web Servant – Lenny
 - a. Continuing to update the website.
 - b. Reminders to memorize the website (district25aa.org), review District 25 website and GSR documents and forms, including the GSR change form.
 - c. Use the website Bulletin Board and Calendar pages for group announcements.
 - d. Share information with your homegroups.
 - e. Officer email addresses are also on the website or send to districtcommittee@district25aa.org.
 - f. Contact Lenny with any questions about the site.
10. Visitation Committee – no visitations in June
11. DCM Report - Candy S.
 - a. 6/5/2022 An Hour with The Delegates
 - b. 6/7 District 25 monthly meeting; Discussion with D25 Treasurer re: reimbursements.
 - c. 6/11 Email to D25 Treasurer re: reimbursements.
 - d. 6/12 Quarterly Area Meeting (\$163.98 Zipcar & \$16.72 Uber); Public Information Subcommittee meeting; Email to D25 Treasurer re: reimbursements.

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- e. 6/14 Scanned Quarterly meeting flyers for distribution; met with GSR to get balance of QAM notes.
- f. 6/15 Public Information Subcommittee meeting with Devon; Prepared Minutes for subcommittee meetings.
- g. 6/20 Preparation for District meeting.
- h. 6/23 Email reminder to Area Secretary with Agenda and Zoom invitation.
- i. 6/30 Completed DCM report.
- j. 2022 EPGSA November 11th – 13th in Lancaster at the Wyndham Lancaster Resort and Convention Center
 - 1. GSRs are required, it is a voting year. Others are welcome.
 - 2. Registration is \$35, hotel and meals are separate. Online forms on Area 59 website.
 - 3. Looking for other sites to compare pricing for 2023 and 2024
 - 4. Hospitality Suite – consider contribution from District 25
 - 5. Volunteers are needed. Greeters, registration, hospitality
 - 6. Can submit recommendation for a guest observer from outside the fellowship – forms sent out with meeting documents.
- k. Increase in groups submitting GSR change forms to GSO instead of the Area office. **Please submit all changes to Area59aa.org.**
- l. Area 59 expenses are at 59% of budget which is where it should be at this point. Beginning to use funds that had accumulated during the pandemic.
- m. Updated address for Area 59 disbursements Treasurer@area59aa.org or: mail to:
 - Area 59 Treasurer**
 - 525 S. 13th St Unit C**
 - Philadelphia, PA 19147**
- n. Mailing to GSO:
 - GSO Office**
 - PO Box 2407**
 - James A. Farley Station**
 - New York, NY 10116-2407**
- o. Review calendar.
 - i. December 11th final quarterly area committee will be hosted by District 64
 - ii. October 15th Young People in AA Share-A-Day
- p. Delegate sent thanks for those who attended the pre-conference sharing session; was helpful to inform positions
- q. Now is the time to begin planning for the Convention, for requesting funding from your home groups.
 - i. Elections for several key positions.
- r. NERASA taking place in February in Albany, NY
- s. 2024 will be in Hershey, PA
- t. Submit stories for the Big Book – forms sent out with meeting documents.
- u. 2025 International Convention will be in Vancouver, Canada

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- v. Public Information Committee doing email and social media PSA blasts to encourage people to consider becoming sober, calling AA or going to the website.
- w. As hoc digital communications committee report forms have been replaced on the website so forms will be received automatically. When forms are submitted a confirmation will be sent.
- x. Motions:
 - i. District 61 requested proposed budget be presented in a timely manner prior to the incoming panel to provide time for review and questions. Motion to send to the finance subcommittee.
 - ii. Finance subcommittee Area 59 requested mileage reimbursement be increased to \$.47/mile. Motion carried.
 - iii. Structure subcommittee that Area 59 changes current structure to allow ADCMs to be full non-voting members of standing committees. Did not pass.
 - iv. Structure committee that Area 59 create committee aids who are former officers to serve on committees. Did not pass.
 - v. District 45 outgoing DCM of Area 59 or served at least one full two-year term or any area officer of any area is eligible to stand for any Area 59 office. Did not pass.

12. Old Business - tabled

13. New Business - tabled

14. Next Meeting: Tuesday August 2nd, 2022 @ 700 PM. In-person and on zoom at 6:30pm.

- a. Dan, Area 59 Treasurer will be our guest at the August meeting.

15. Motion to close meeting at 9:01 pm by Diane, second by Amanda. Motion carried.

16. Closed with the Serenity Prayer