

## **District 25 Panel 66: DCM Report (Cort H.)**

### **12-6-16**

Welcome to our monthly District meeting.

1. The DCM has passed out copies of the primary few pages of the District 25 Guidelines. Full copies of the D25 Guidelines are on the District 25 website. Please make sure you are familiar with these guidelines if you are a newer GSR, and/or pass this information along to your group's incoming GSR.
2. The DCM received, but did not get a chance to read, the Box 459 Winter 2016 Issue.
3. Regarding the local Philadelphia New Year's Eve Alkathon:
  - a. the Alkathon will be held at the Falls Presbyterian Church on 3800 Vaux Rd., beginning on December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016 at 12 pm (noon) and finishing the following morning, January 1, 2017 at 7 am (the last meeting will be from 6 – 7 am). So it will be a 19 hr. Alkathon. Each meeting will be 50 minutes, allowing set up and cleanup between each meeting. The Theme is "Bringing in the New Year Sober: Your Best Days Are Ahead of You."
  - b. The committee has one more Planning meetings scheduled, Saturday December 17<sup>th</sup> (?), to be held at the SEPIA office (?) and beginning at 12 pm (?), and lasting about 1.5 hours. The DCM has handed out Flyers for the Alkathon. Please let your groups know and disperse to any other meeting(s).
  - c. The DCM volunteered to Chair the Refreshments Committee, responsible for collecting money for and organizing the basic coffee and refreshments supplies. We will also try to provide someone to be on site during the alkathon to help facilitate the use of the kitchen for beverages, food, etc. Please talk to your group about donating money for supplies (or donating actual supplies) to the Alkathon. (This is definitely an AA event, as it will mostly be meetings.) Also, please participate on this committee if you can. ☺
4. Regarding the EPGSA General Service Assembly, on Nov. 4-6, in Gettysburg, PA:
  - a. This was an election year. District 25 really showed up and participated. We had 11 groups represented at the election, the DCM, and ADCM, and we had several AGSRs and other guests in attendance. The voting for the Area 59 Panel 67 positions resulted in:
    - i. Delegate: Paul M. (previous Alt. Delegate)
    - ii. Alt.-Delegate: Melanie M. (previous Chairperson)
    - iii. Chairperson: Ken D. (previous Secretary)
    - iv. Secretary: Steve S. (previous Treasurer)
    - v. Treasurer: Curt C. (previous Officer at Large)
    - vi. Officer-at-Large: Caroline N. (previous DCM of District 27)
  - b. DCM attended a presentation/ workshop called "Supporting Our Future" with Past Delegate from Panel 50, Area 29, Morgan J., as moderator. Considered and analyzed the financial and structural problems facing AA, no membership or financial growth, drawing comparisons to 1950, the year that the General Service Conference began to be forged, reorganizing AA, reducing the roles of Bob (who was sick) and Bill.
  - c. DCM presented at a workshop that showed a part of the new AA Corrections video, "A New Freedom," and that provided an overview of the Corrections Committee and its challenging, though very valuable work.

- d. Also, of note, although I personally missed it, Rita (incoming ADCM) spoke at the “God As I Understand Him” meeting on Sunday morning. Go Rita!
5. District 25 will try to finish the elections for the Panel 57 Officer, for the position of Treasurer, during Old Business at tonight’s meeting. Of note, the standard practice of District 25 is to use the “Third Legacy Procedure” for the structure of our voting, found in *The A.A. Service Manual* (2015-2016) on S21-S22 and in the *Eastern Pennsylvania General Service Assembly Area Structure Manual* on 23-24. As well, A brief overview of each position is listed below, mostly taken from *The A.A. Service Manual*, the *Eastern Pennsylvania General Service Assembly Area Structure Manual*, and *District 25 Guidelines*.
- a. Treasurer: “The Treasurer records and acknowledges group contributions; maintains the [district’s] bank accounts; pays all of the bills incurred by the [district]; submits ‘group contributions’ lists...; and [prepares] financial statements quarterly/annually.”<sup>1</sup>
6. It would be great if members of Panel 65 could consider ideas for recommendations for the next panel, starting officially in January, which they may choose to accept or reject, and if we could try to provide a budget overview of yearly contributions and expenses. I have passed out copies of the Final Recommendations used for Panel 65. To be discussed during New Business.
7. Upcoming important District 25 and Area 59 Events:
- a. **Area 59 Quarterly Meeting, on Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>**, hosted by District 51, at Bristol Borough Active Adult Ctr. 301 Wood St. Bristol, PA 19007. Area Committee Meeting begins at 11:00 AM. (DCM & Incoming DCM plan to attend.) (All GSRs and members are welcome to attend.)
- b. **Philadelphia Alkathon**, on December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016 at 12 pm (noon) and finishing the following morning, January 1, 2017 at 7 am (the last meeting will be from 6 – 7 am) at the Falls Presbyterian Church on 3800 Vaux Rd. (All are welcome)
- c. **NERAASA**, from February 24-26, 2017, in Farmington MA.
8. DCM Group/ Meeting Visitation in the District this past month: NA
9. DCM Travel Log this past month:
- a. DCM attended Area 59 EPGSA from November 4-6, in Gettysburg, PA
10. DCM Expenses this past month: (Possible) total of \$220.37
- a. EPGSA Travel costs (135 miles x 2) x \$.40/ mile = \$108.00
- b. DCM Printing Costs for the two years (estimated): Printing Ink and Paper from *Staples* = \$112.37 { would need to be approved by Panel 65}

THANK YOU EVERYONE !!!!!!!

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<sup>1</sup> IBID, p. 17