

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

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Welcome to our monthly District meeting.

1. As a reminder, Southeastern PA Intergroup (SEPIA) has moved to a new web site: www.aasepia.org.
2. DCM attended **Pre-Conference Sharing Session** sponsored by Area 59 on **April 3rd, 2016**. Meeting started at 9 AM and ended at @ 4 PM in Chester Springs PA 19425.
 - a. DCM participated with the Corrections Committee during the morning session.
 - i. Reviewed literature, with special focus on the pamphlet “Corrections Correspondence.”
 - b. DCM participated in the review of all 2016 General Service Conference Committee Agenda Items, mostly reviewing literature and service work related to each committee and sharing ideas and recommendations, in part, for the Delegate to hear and consider. Of note:
 - i. AA finances were brought up multiple times as a concern, related to AA being self-supporting. This issue is a concern for many members, especially in relation to producing more literature and offering more services.
 - ii. Many members are also concerned that AA is losing its focus on the “alcoholic,” in keeping with the 5th* Tradition.
 - iii. Another concern for many members, also related to finances, is the cost of printing and translating AA information and reports into many languages, most dominantly Spanish and French. Although most want to provide such literature, being fiscally sound is important too.
 - iv. Another issue to be addressed at the Conference is the gendered language, which is sometimes male focused.
 - v. Another debated issue was the use of the term “Special Needs-Accessibilities,” and its connection with the “Treatment” Committee. The Conference is trying to address the needs of many, yet is also struggling with both financial support and service support.
3. DCM made copies of informational sheets on Robert’s Rules (to be passed out and considered).
4. DCM acquired some District Inventory materials (to be passed out and considered).
5. Convention Guest Observer, for November 2016 Convention in Gettysburg, PA:
 - a. If you have someone you would like to nominate as the Convention Guest Observer, please be prepared to bring it up and address it at our next District 25 Meeting, which is **June 7th**. If there are more than one nominee, then we will have to select one, as each District can only nominate one person.
 - b. Nominee should be “a non-alcoholic who has little or no familiarity with our Fellowship,” but who might be aided by learning more about it. As well, the nominee “should be someone outside the treatment field.”
 - c. If we want to nominate someone, I will have to bring @ 56 copies of the nominee’s abbreviated resume and a short bio to the Area’s next Quarterly Meeting, which is **June 12th**.

6. Mini-Assembly II: The Area 59 Delegate's Report on the 2016 AA General Service Conference
 - a. **June 26th**, 2016 at Goshen Fire Co., beginning at 10 AM. All GSRs and all members are welcome to attend.
 - b. Please make copies of flier and bring them to your groups.
7. Upcoming important District 25 and Area 59 Events:
 - a. **Area 59 Quarterly Meeting on June 12th, 2016** at Nittany Valley Event Center, 119 E. College Ave. Pleasant Gap, PA 16823. (DCM plans to attend. ADCM and GSR's are invited to attend.)
 - b. **Mini-Assembly & Delegate's Conference Report 2 on June 26th, 2016** from 10 AM and end at @ 2:30 PM at Goshen Fire Co., 1320 Park Ave., West Chester, PA 19138. (DCM plans to attend. ADCM, GSRs, and all members are encouraged to attend.) (Fliers available.)
8. DCM Group/ Meeting Visitation in the District this past month: None.
9. Travel Log this past month: None.
10. Expenses this past month: None. [District owes DCM \$96.00 from previous month.]