District 25 Meeting Minutes Panel 67 August 1, 2017

Attendees

Randy H (DCM), Chris B (GSR), John S (GSR), John St (GSR), Audley (GSR), Latif D (GSR), David (GSR), Rick (GSR), Rhonda (GSR), Mary Ellen (Visitor), Patty (GSR), Butch (Visitor), Rita D (ADCM) $\Rightarrow 1 \text{ DCM}, 9 \text{ GSRs}, 2 \text{ Visitors}, 1 \text{ ADCM}$

- 1. Opened meeting 7pm
- 2. The DCM, Randy H., opened the meeting by reading "3rd Legacy of Service" from the service manual.
- 3. Attendees Recited "I am Responsible".
- 4. Read Tradition 8 from "The Twelve Traditions Illustrated" pamphlet. Discussion followed related to the topic of "Professionalism in AA."
- 5. Read Concept 8 from "The Twelve Concepts Illustrated" pamphlet. Discussion followed related to the topic of the "Duties and Roll of the General Service Board/Trustees."
- 6. Roll Call and Group Issues
 - a. Randy H.-DCM ⇒ No issues
 - b. Chris B.-D25 Webservant/GSR Good News Group ⇒ Weekday Noon Meetings need support
 - c. John St.- GSR Hands of Hope ⇒ No group issues
 - d. John S.-GSR Conscious Contact ⇒ No group issues/Mentioned that Germantown Saturday Night Step Group Needs Support (Handed Out Flyer)
 - e. Latif D.-D25 Treasurer/GSR Wister ⇒ No group issues
 - f. Wanda H.-GSR Briar Road Step ⇒ Needs Support
 - g. Audley-GSR W Oak Lane ⇒ No Group Issues
 - h. Patty-GSR Manayunk Big Book ⇒ No Group Issues
 - i. David-GSR Chestnut Hill Step ⇒ No Group Issues
 - j. Rick-GSR Top of the Hill \Rightarrow No Group Issues
 - k. Butch-Visitor from Early Morning Group
 - I. Mary Ellen-Visitor from Hands of Hope

- 7. Read Chapter 8, "Conference Committees," from the AA Service Manual. The DCM, Randy H., shared briefly about his experience as a member of the Public Information Subcommittee for Area 59 and what he has learned from it. All DCMs are assigned to a committee as part of the duties of their position. These committees meet regularly and help to make recommendations, regarding pending Conference actions scheduled for discussion, to the Delegate prior to him or her leaving to attend the Conference.
- 8. The Minutes for the July District Meeting were not read. This action was tabled to the September Meeting as the Secretary, Miles B., was not present.
- 9. The Treasurer, Latif D., read the Treasury Report for August (July Activity). The report was accepted with no further discussion.
- 10. The ADCM, Rita D., reported on the status of the planning process for the Combined Workshop to be hosted by Districts 25, 26, 27, and 28 at a location yet to be determined. The tentative date for the Workshop is Saturday, September 16, 2017 from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM and the theme will be "Preserving Our Future by Remembering our Past" piggybacking off the theme of the 2017 General Service Conference. Each participating District will present on AA's Three (3) Legacies of Recovery, Unity, and Service as they relate to AA's Past, Present, and Future. The ADCM suggested "How to present AA Service to the Newcomer while incorporating the Past, Present, and Future of AA" as a possible topic for District 25 to present at the Workshop. The ADCM also stated that District 25 would be responsible for supplying Deserts, Drinks, Cups, and Plates during the Workshop.
- 11. The Web Servant, Chris B., reported that all District Business Documents (Treasury Reports, Meeting Minutes, etc.) had been uploaded and up-to-date on the website except for the current year's DCM Reports of which February 2017 and June 2017 were the only ones currently available. He reminded the DCM, Randy H., of the need to obtain copies of the other months. Gave an update on the progress made in updating the group information on the website including that he had made visits to the Agape Germantown Group, the Steps Sisters Group, and the Sober and Out Group as well as the Fairmount/Brewerytown Clubhouse to verify the status of each. He has been corresponding with Caroline N., Officer-At-Large for Area 59, throughout the entire process so any necessary updates can be made at the Area level. There are currently forty-one (41) known groups active within the District. John St questioned him regarding his previously discussed wish to add a bundle of five (5) e-mail addresses, one for each District Officer, to the current web subscription like what Area 59 has for its officers. He reiterated that this is something that he still would like to do but his plan is to hold off bringing it up for a vote until the renewal of web subscription becomes due in December. This is because it would approximately \$5.00 to the annual subscription above what the District currently pays and GoDaddy.com would require full payment for the new subscription package immediately so he feels it is better to wait until the current subscription period expires.
- 12. No other committee reports were presented.

13. The DCM, Randy H., reported no activity since the last District Meeting. The DCM was questioned, however, and further addressed the Alternate Delegate, Melanie M.'s, recent resignation. He again stated that he had discussed it with the Area 59 Delegate, Paul M., and determined that the guidelines for replacement, if the Alternate Delegate's Position becomes vacant, is on page 24 in the Area 59 Service Structure manual.

14. Old Business

a. John S reported on the Status of Literature at Health Center 9. Center was given literature package and their staff is currently reviewing it prior to allowing it to be placed. A question was raised regarding the reason why the Health Center Staff needed to review it because the District had been supplying literature to the Center for a long time. John explained that it was that the Center wanted to avoid any potential lawsuits that could arise depending on the nature of any literature which they allow to be displayed at their facility, however, he does not expect any of the supplied literature to be rejected in this case.

15. New Business

- a. The ADCM, Rita D, stated that, since District 25 would be responsible for supplying Deserts, Drinks, Cups, and Plates during the Joint District Workshop tentatively scheduled for September, the Panel would need to come up with a budget for this purpose.
 - i. Discussion was Tabled until the September Meeting
- b. The DCM, Randy H., asked for Volunteers to help form an Ad-Hoc Subcommittee to help plan the District 25's contribution to the Joint District Work Shop.
 - i. Mary Ellen and John S both volunteered to help. Chris B. was also asked, by the ADCM, Rita D., to help since he prepared the District's contribution to last year's workshop.
- c. The DCM, Randy H., stated that the Panel would need to discuss budget for funding the DCM and ADCM to attend the EPGSA in November and whether the District could afford to fund both.
 - i. Discussion was Tabled to September Meeting.
- 16. Meeting was closed with Serenity Prayer at 8:31 PM.

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