

District 25 Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 7, 2016

Attending: Colleen Q., Miles B., Candy S., Rita D., Tanya T., John Ste., John P., Chris B., John Sta., Ray K., Jack L., Michael Y., Cort, H.

Our district suffered a sudden and tragic loss since we last met. Paul, our GSR from the Top of the Hill, died sober while jogging in the park. We began our meeting with a moment of silence in honor of his life, sobriety and service.

Opened the meeting by reading "Legacy of Service" in the service manual.

Stated the "I am Responsible" Declaration

Concept of the month, Concept 6: "On behalf of A.A. as a whole, our General Service Conference has the principal responsibility for the maintenance of our world services, and it traditionally has the final decision respecting large matters of general policy and finance. But the Conference also recognizes that the chief initiative and the active responsibility in most of these matters should be exercised primarily by the Trustee members of the Conference when they act among themselves as the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous."

Tradition of the month, Tradition 6: "AA groups ought never endorse, finance or lend the AA name to any outside organization or enterprise."

- Frankfort meeting clubhouse has the AA name on the front of building. Discussion of whether this is a violation of this tradition.

Roll call and group issues:

- Top of the Hill: Michael is a new GSR replacing Paul. Welcome!
- Bottom of the Hill: Jack - no group issues.
- Hands of Hope: John Sta. - no group issues.
- Good News Group: Chris - Meetings are picking up Still need support for the Beginner's meeting and the Big Book meeting.
- NOMADS: John P - no group issues.
- Conscious Contact: John Ste. - no group issues.
- Wister: Candy – no group issues.
- Day by Day: Miles – no group issues.
- Roxborough Group: Cort, DCM – Had picnic. No group issues.
- Manyunk Big Book: Ray is new GSR (was AGSR) Welcome!
- Vernon Park: Tanya; Group is celebrating its anniversary on July 16 from 1-3 at meeting location, 217 Haines Street.
- West Oak Lane: Rita; Group had a successful exchange meeting with the Atlantic City Young People's meeting. The group's annual Old Timer's Panel is happening in July. Date will be provided.

Read from Service Manual: General Service Board. – Made up of 7 class A (non-alcoholic professionals) trustee and 14 Class B (alcoholic) trustees.

- Outside voices are invited. Many corporations do the same thing with their boards.

Treasury Report, Candy: Report distributed. Includes extra charge from post office for P.O. box. Still working out logistics with online banking (Paul would have provided password). Report accepted.

Secretary Report, Colleen: June minutes are accepted with correction of typo. (Good News Group not God News Group)

ADCM Report, Randy: Not in attendance. Texted info to officers: Working on combined district workshop. Planning meeting June 11th at the SEPIA office - 444 north Broad street. Meeting could use support. Districts involved are 25, 26, 27, 28 and 60.

Web Servant Report, Deanie: No report.

DCM Report, Cort: Distributed report. Handed out 2 flyers about Robert's Rules. Description and basic summary. Handed out 2016 Conference Advisory Archives. Reminder to check Box 459. Quarterly meeting on June 12. EPGSA is in Gettysburg. Registrations will be available at Quarterly meeting. Unity Picnic. PA state convention.

Old Business

- District inventory
 - Last district 25 inventory was 4 years ago. Suggested inventory questions passed out last month – 14 basic questions. Motion to schedule a group inventory. Discussion: Too late in the panel? Maybe we should recommend the next panel schedule this. Motion withdrawn.
 - Informal vote for whether we want to hold a district inventory: 2 in favor; 8 opposed; 3 abstained.
- Visitation Committee
 - This has been discussed several times. Maybe if we don't go as a group, individuals can take it upon themselves to speak about the district in meetings during the announcements. A flyer would help. A flyer that is brought and discussed by a person would make a greater impact. Will continue to discuss.
- Flyer for District Committee meeting – Colleen volunteered to create flyer.

New Business

Need to approve DCM expenses for Quarterly meeting - \$238.00. Motion passed.