### District 25 DCM Report Area 59 - Panel 75 June 3rd, 2025

Attended Events: Mini Assembly 1 - Delegate Conference Report Saturday, May 17th, 2025 (10a - 3p; registration at 9a) Valley Point Church 209 Bethel Rd., Glen Mills, PA 19342

#### Upcoming Events:

Mini Assembly 2 - Delegate Conference Report Saturday, June 7th, 2025 (10a - 3p; registration at 9a) First United Church of Christ 110 Route 61 S. Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972

#### Area 59 3rd Quarterly Area Meeting

Sunday, June 8th, 2025 (9a - 4p) Orangeville Community Fire Company 204 Mill St. #176 Orangeville, PA 17859

### Bus Trip to GSO in NYC

Friday, June 13th, 2025 (8a - 6p) \$55/person, text Howard with questions or to reserve your seat: (610) 909-2317

### SEPIA Bingo Night

Saturday, June 14th, 2025 (5p - 8p) St. Thomas Whitemarsh Church 7020 Camp Hill Rd. Fort Washington, PA 19034 \$20 admission, purchase tickets ahead of time at aasepia.org BYO food, drinks and some snacks provided

#### PENNSCYPAA XXXVI

Friday, June 20th - Sunday, June 22nd, 2025 The Penn Harris Hotel 1150 Camp Hill Bypass, Camp Hill PA 17011 \$25 plus hotel

#### The Importance of Grapevine In My Life

Saturday, June 21st, 2025 (12p - 4p) Wesley Enhanced Living at Stapley 6300 Greene St., Philadelphia, PA 19144

#### SEPIA – Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) Workshop

Monday, June 23rd, 2025 (7p - 8p) Zoom ID: 829 1306 1181, Password: 835922 Led by Dan B!

#### **3rd Annual Bucks Unity Event**

Sunday, June 29th, 2025 (12p - 3p) St. Paul's Episcopal Church 89 Pinewood Dr. Levittown, PA 19054

#### **AA International Convention**

July 3rd - July 6th, 2025 Vancouver British Columbia, Canada

#### Mini Assembly III - Delegate Conference Report

Saturday, July 19th, 2025 (10a - 3p)

#### On ZOOM, see area59aa.org for details

#### Report:

- Convention Guest Observer Nominations for EPGSA
- May 17th Mini Assembly I Recap Report Delegate Dan B.
  - General Service Conference in NYC 4/27/25 5/3/25
  - 137 voting members, avg age is 55
  - Conference Inventory Process
  - Communication was a giant theme throughout the Conference
  - "How the Conference Operates"
  - GSB met 12 times, trustees and subcommittees met more than 130 times (not sustainable)
  - Strategic Planning and Leadership ad hoc committee was formed to help usher changes that can be made to the GSC
  - 2024 Audit Results Q&A for auditor, thought the organization was extremely healthy fiscally
  - Grapevine has done better this year both paper and app
  - 17,000 out of 55,000 groups contributing to GSO
  - Meeting guide app \$43k operational expenses, \$50k investment
  - Dan B elected as CPC committee chair
  - Election of US Trustee at Large Jennifer B
  - Audio content is the most popular (Grapevine podcast)
  - Get Grapevine subscriptions 10% of all groups would move the Grapevine into good health

#### Consider suggestion to develop new video PSA

• Committee recommended adapting Australian AA PSAs, much lower cost and the motion passed. Also recommended to create a plan to create a video that targets diverse audiences.

#### Discuss Plain Language Big Book review process

• Proposals to revise or rescind the PLBB be paused until 77th GSC to allow for wider fellowship experience, motion passed.

# Consider a request to reaffirm the 1975 Advisory Action that delegates emphasize the effect that inflation has had on the contribution of a dollar

• No action taken.

# Consider a request to remove the phrase "a group may also decline to hear reports from a GSR at all" from pg. 10 in the AA Service Manual.

• The recommendation was made that the phrase be removed and it passed.

### Consider a request to remove the word "woman" from the Concept IV essay.

• Passed.

# Consider a request that a Super Majority of voting members be required to change or amend Founders Literature

- We're all human and sometimes we fall short as representatives and our structural integrity breaks down. I.e. individuals that are upset about the changes.
- AA has a strong verbal tradition, which gives good and difficult results. History is statements of facts not beliefs.
- Don't change the writings bc it has worked
- Bill used to change writings in the big book and others stories
- It is ignorant to think the writings wouldn't need updated
- We have to trust the trusted servants. And up until now it's worked for the most part.
- Polling of all of the groups seems logistically impossible, some groups are huge in # while others are very small.
- Maybe things shouldn't be set in stone. Sobriety is all about change.

#### Consider a request to update the book Living Sober.

• Motion passed. Most of the committee were in favor of updating, maybe make it Living Sober 2, progress report on the draft for 2026 GSC.

# Consider a request that the Twelve Concepts for World Service and essays on the Twelve Concepts for World Service be included in the 12&12.

• Did not pass after much spirited debate

### Consider a proposed pilot for a Harmony and Effectiveness Session

• No action was taken as other avenues for this type of discourse already exist

# Discuss shared experience in informing professionals how AA can serve as a resource for unhoused and neurodivergent alcoholics

• No action was taken, no new info was brought forward, and these seem like two very different topics

#### Super Majority required to alter the founder's writings

- Took no action provide clarity on similar PAIs.
  - Two year process may be implemented to change founders writings
  - Before considering founders' writings, we have to define what founders' writings are.
  - All AAWS written prior to 1971
  - Motion passed.