

District 2 Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 14, 2019 - 7:00pm

Our Lady of Victory, 55 North Lake Avenue, Troy, NY 12180

<http://district2.aahmbny.org>

27 attendees present - Sara H (BTG), Leslie M (CDCO Rep.), Gene S (Cluster Rep.), Shiela V (Coffee Maker), Paul D (Corrections - Men), Amanda G (CPC, PI), Keith V (DCM), Gary B (Alt. DCM/Functions), Valerie S (LCM), Dawn P (Newsletter Editor), Liz P (Records), Bill A (Secretary, Webmaster), Helen F (Treasurer), and 12 GSR's:

- Dan K (The Way out Group - Latham, Tues.),
- Carmine C (Peace & Sobriety Group - Troy, Mon. & Tues.),
- Anne S (An Unshakable Foundation Group - Latham, Sun.),
- Marianna F (Original Green Island Big Book Group, Green Island, Mon.),
- Tom R (Living Sober II Group - Watervliet, Thurs.),
- Terry B (Bottom Line Group - Eagle Mills, Wed.),
- Gretchen E (59 Minute Meeting Group - Latham, Sat.),
- Al K (Open Hearts Fellowship Group - Troy, Tues.),
- Kerri B (Original Troy Group – Troy, Mon.),
- Christina H (group not known),
- Jim R (group not known),
- Helen R (group not known),

AAs Mike D and Paul N were also present.

Committee Chair Reports:

- Bill M will try to contact current absentee Accessibility chair, Bill W.
- (“Bill”) has still not been contacted to inquire about his MICA position.
- Liz P (Records) will attempt to contact Mark P about his Treatment position.

Accessibility (Bill W), Alt. CPC/Alt. PI (Isabelle ?), Grapevine (Victor A), Alt. LCM (Bill M), Alt. Treasurer (Colleen W) and Treatment (Mark P) were not present.

PI (Amanda G) had nothing to report.

BTG (Sara H): Added her contact info to and brought copies of HMB BTG Prerelease Contact Program “Temporary Contact Volunteer” tri-fold; looking for volunteers to sign up for this. Looking for District 2 GSR contact email addresses.

CDCO (Leslie M): Central Office is looking for Night Owls. The Central Office has missed a few calls at night on the hotline (518-463-0906) and will be setting up voicemail for and for the next 3 months to try to alleviate the issue.

Cluster Rep (Gene S): Announced that the HMB Area 48 Spring Assembly will be held on May 11 (see bottom of Minutes for more information).

Coffee Maker (Shiela V): “Snacks & decaf”.

Corrections (men, Paul D): Lost 2 steady corrections volunteers (down to 4). Wants to stress that volunteers are needed and that no volunteer goes into a correctional facility alone.

CPC (Amanda G): CPC position has new email address: district2cpc@aahmbny.org. Has been visiting institutions - looking for ideas for places to reach out to. Has been given the "CPC folder" by previous CPC, Gene S.

DCM (Keith V): Attended NERAASA; reports that it was a good experience - presented NERAASA program guide. 4 volunteer chair positions are open for the November Area Convention - (Accessibility, AI-Anon Liaison, Entertainment and Hospitality). Will attempt to contact the Women's Corrections chair (District 1).

Alt. DCM/Functions (Gary B): Will call to book Prospect Park for "Memorial Day Picnic" event. Group members voted on 2 possible days to hold the picnic: 1) Saturday, May 25 - 9 votes, 2) Sunday, May 26 - 14 votes. Asked people to think about possibility of having another "Octsoberfest" this year.

LCM (Valerie S): Monday Samaritan meeting no longer exists - needs to be removed from the HMB online meeting list.

Newsletter Editor (Dawn P): Has new email address: district2newsletter@aahmbny.org. The Capital District Central Office and District 2 newsletters both have the name "The Broken Bottle" - should probably change the District 2 newsletter name; asked people to think of a new name for the next District meeting. Would like to begin emailing the newsletter.

Records (Liz P): Learning "Airtable" from HMB webmaster (Adam G). Airtable is used by Area 48 to track meeting information (location, time, location, etc.).

Secretary (Bill A): Brought copies of Feb meeting minutes which were read by attendees & accepted unanimously. Working on re-typing a copy of the District 2 Service Manual back into digital format.

Treasurer (Helen F): February treasury report was reviewed and accepted unanimously. \$1000 check will be sent to GSO, \$1000 check will be sent to HMB.

Webmaster (Bill A): Will post February Treasury report, February Meeting Minutes and March agenda to the District 2 website "Reports" page (<http://district2.aahmbny.org/reports/>) soon.

Archives, Alt. Treatment and YPAA positions are open.

Other:

Carmine C (GSR – Peace & Sobriety Group) asked how to sign up for 12-step calls, Leslie M (CDCO Rep) answered – call the Central Office and they will put you on the list.

Upcoming events:

- HMB Area 48 "Delegates Day of Sharing" - Saturday, April 27, 2019, 9:00am - 3:00pm @ The First United Methodist Church - 2 Walling Ave, Oneonta, NY
- HMB Area 48 "Spring Assembly" - Saturday, May 11, 2019, 9:00am - 3:00pm @ The First United Methodist Church of East Greenbush - 1 Gilligan Rd, East Greenbush, NY
- Visit <https://aahmbny.org/a-a-area-48-hmb-hudson-mohawk-berkshire/> for all HMB Area events.

Meeting closed at 8:00pm with the Serenity Prayer.

****Thank you to all who attended!****