

District 2 Meeting Minutes

Thursday, Aug 8, 2019 - 7:00pm

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

<http://district2.aahmbny.org>

21 attendees present - Leslie M (CDCO Rep.), Gene S (Cluster Rep.), Sheila V (Coffee Maker), Paul D (Mens Corrections), Isabelle A (Alt. CPC, Alt. PI), Keith V (DCM), Victor A (Grapevine Rep.), Valerie S (LCM), Dawn P (Newsletter Editor), Bill A (Secretary, Webmaster), Helen F (Treasurer) and 10 GSR's:

- Al K (Open Hearts Fellowship Group - Troy, Tues.)
- Dan K (Way Out Group - Latham Tues. & Joy of Living Group - Latham, Thurs.)
- Dan B (filling in for Carmine C) (St Anthony's Church Basement - Troy, Tues.)
- Tim H (George Street Green Island Group - Green Island, Wed.)
- Terry B (Bottom Line Group - Eagle Mills, Wed.)
- Kerri B (Original Troy Group - Troy, Mon.)
- Gretchen E (59 Minute Meeting Group - Latham, Sat.)
- Tom R (Living Sober II Group - Watervliet, Thurs.)
- Vanessa L (Out to Lunch Bunch - Waterford Tues. & Thurs.)
- Marianna F (Original Green Island Big Book Group - Green Island, Mon.)

Committee Chair Reports:

- Amanda G (CPC, PI), Gary B (Alt. DCM/Functions), Bill M (Alt. LCM), Liz P (Records), Colleen W (Alt. Treasurer) and all Treatment chairs (Mark P, Kevin B and "Dave") were not present.
- Connie (MICA) was not present, but relayed a report to be presented at the meeting.
- Isabelle A (Alt. CPC, Alt. PI), Victor A (Grapevine Rep.) and Valerie S (LCM) had nothing to report.

CDCO (Leslie M): All reports for the Capital District Central Office are available on the CDCO website: <https://aalbanyny.org/reports/> Looking to lower prices on some of the AA literature they sell. The Central Office is donating 10 scholarships to each district in area 48 for the Annual Area 48 Convention. Scholarships cover the \$20 registration fee.

Cluster Rep (Gene S): Gene attended District 1's August meeting. District 1 has a new BTG rep. and they will begin building their budget for next year soon. D18 will not be holding a GSR/business meeting in August.

Coffee Maker (Sheila V): We have decaf!!

Corrections (Paul D): Brought new version of Rensselaer County Jail RCJ PREA form. Female volunteers running smoothly; need more male volunteers.

DCM (Keith V): Printed & brought minutes from the Area 48 convention meeting minutes. There is much information about the annual Area 48 Convention (Nov. 1-3, 2019) on the HMB website for anyone who is interested: <https://aahmbny.org/convention/>.

MICA (Connie): Connie did not attend this meeting. Kerri B performed service at MICA and reported that there is no AA literature at the meeting. Terry B reported that there are AA Big Books at the meeting. Dawn P suggested donating District 2's leftover 2018 meeting schedules.

Newsletter Editor (Dawn P): Dawn produced a full Broken Bottle newsletter for August and furnished copies of the newsletter at the meeting. Last page of the Newsletter is a District 2 donation form.

Secretary (Bill A): Provided copies of the July meeting minutes which were read by attendees & accepted unanimously.

Treasurer (Helen F): July treasury report was reviewed and accepted unanimously. \$703.00 total donations/income, total expenses \$171.04, \$5,683.07 in checking account (includes \$2250 prudent reserve and \$150.00 Book Reserve).

Webmaster (Bill A): June Broken Bottle Newsletter posted. All reports are up-to-date.

Service Manual committee (Bill A, Gene S and Gretchen E): Met Wed, June 5 to continue making changes and discussing additions to the 2012 edition of the District 2 Service Manual. Next session scheduled for Tues, July 9.

Treatment (Mark P, Kevin B, Dave ?): Keith V (DCM) will contact "Dave" (Alt. Treatment) for updates.

Accessibility, Archives, BTG and YPAA positions are open.

Other Topics Discussed:

- **HMB Area Convention updates:** Volunteer Coordinator and Entertainment chair positions are still open. All Convention information is available @ <https://aahmbny.org/convention/>
- **District 2 Archives to Area 48/GSO:** Valerie S (LCM) has physical possession of District 2 archives and is working to inventory archive items. Inventory will then be shared with District 2 chairs, or an ad-hoc committee will be formed to decide what to keep, and what (if anything) will be sent to the HMB Area and/or the GSO. Keith V (DCM) reached out to GSO for guidance/recommendations on what District 2 should keep.
- **Procuring more District 1 Meeting schedules w/CDTA bus line info or making District 2 equivalent:** Gretchen E talked to "Katie" (District 1); Katie is willing to help District 2 to make our own version of the schedule. Gretchen E will ask for the digital (original) version of the schedule. Victor A (Grapevine Rep.) will look into cost of printing.
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Upcoming events:

- **Tues, Aug 13, 2019, 6:30PM:** Next CDCO meeting - Computer Drive West, Albany, NY
- **Thurs, Aug 8, 2019, 7:00PM:** Next D2 Business meeting - Our Lady of Victory, Troy, 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!****