

District 2 Meeting Minutes

Thursday, Jan 9, 2019 - 7:00pm

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

<http://district2.aahmbny.org>

24 attendees present - Leslie M (CDCO Rep.), Sheila V (Coffee Maker), Isabelle A (Alt. CPC, Alt. PI), Paul D (Corrections), Keith V (DCM), Gary B (Alt. DCM/Functions), Victor A (Grapevine Rep.), Dawn P (Newsletter Editor), Valerie S (LCM), Colleen W (Alt. Treasurer), Bill A (Secretary, Webmaster), Helen F (Treasurer) and 11 GSR's:

- Jim R (Out Of The Pit's Group - Valley Falls, Mon),
- Liz R (59 Minute Meeting Group - Latham, Sat.)
- Al K (Open Hearts Fellowship Group - Troy, Tues.)
- Carmine C (Peace & Sobriety Group - Troy, Mon. & Tues.)
- Charmaine (Welcome Hand Group - Troy, Sat.)
- Dan K (Way Out Group - Latham Tues. & Joy of Living Group - Watervliet, Thurs.)
- Terry B (Bottom Line Group - Eagle Mills, Wed.)
- Tom R (Living Sober II Group - Watervliet, Thurs.)
- Vanessa L (Out to Lunch Bunch - Waterford Tues. & Thurs.)

Chris (Coffee-maker, Cohoes Wed evening, Greeter @ St. John's, Troy, Mon), Mike (Coffee-maker & Program Chair @ St. Matthew's, Latham, Sat) and "Brian" attended the meeting as individual AA's - welcome Chris, Mike and Brian!!

Committee Chair Reports:

- Gene S (Cluster Rep), Amanda P (CPC, PI), Connie (MICA), Liz P (Records), Zack E (Treatment, St Mary's, Fri) and Nicole C (Alt Asst Treatment, St Mary's Tue) were not present.
- Valerie S (LCM) and Colleen W (Alt. Treasurer) had nothing to report.

CDCO Rep (Leslie M): Leslie read monthly and annual reports from the most recent Capital District Central Office (CDCO) business meeting; all reports (meeting minutes, treasury reports, literature sales reports and phone call logs) from the CDCO can be found on their website:

<http://aaalbanyny.org/reports/>

Coffee Maker (Shiela V): "Decaf, as always!"

Corrections (Paul D): Corrections currently has a good group of energetic volunteers. More volunteers (especially male) are needed; there are only 5 active male volunteers. Paul encouraged eligible male AA's to sign up/volunteer.

Alt. CPC, Alt. PI (Isabelle A): (Refer to District 2, Nov 14 meeting minutes for more info). The CPC committee has identified the literature needed to distribute to their list of public institutions and has gotten permission from most of the institutions to place the literature there. CPC is currently working to procure/purchase the needed literature.

DCM (Keith V): Keith was contacted by the Area 48 chair concerning the "Joy of Service Day" (June 13 or 14, 2020), which will be hosted by District 2. Gary B (Alt. DCM/Functions chair) suggested St. John's Episcopal Church as a venue. Keith plans to discuss the event further with Area 48 @ the Area 48 Orientation Day event (Sat, Jan 18). Keith would like to create a planning committee for this event.

Alt. DCM/Functions (Gary B): Plans for the D2 Super Bowl party (Sun, Feb 2) are complete. The event will be held @ St. John's Episcopal Church, 146 1st St, Troy, NY. Set-up for the event will begin @ 2:00. Info for the event is posted on the District 2 website "Events" page: <http://district2.aahmbny.org/events/>. Terry B (Bottom Line Group - Eagle Mills, Wed.) produced & printed flyers for the event, which were shared/distributed at the meeting. The flyer will be posted to the District 2 website Events page. District 18 contacted Gary B about working with them to co-host an AA event of some type later this year; District 18 does not plan on holding their Halloween party this year :-)

Grapevine Rep (Victor A): Victor has ideas he will try to develop and present to the District at the next business meeting (Feb 13).

Newsletter Editor (Dawn P): Dawn produced a full Broken Bottle newsletter for January and furnished copies of the newsletter at the meeting, all newsletters are available on the District 2 website: <http://district2.aahmbny.org/newsletter/>. Carmine C (Peace & Sobriety Group - Troy, Mon. & Tues.) made motion for District 2 to purchase a printer and supplies (paper, ink/toner, etc.) to print the District 2 newsletter. The motion was put to a vote; the vote was seconded and passed unanimously. Dawn will research what printer to purchase and present her findings to District 2 @ the Feb 13 business meeting. The Newsletter editor will hold possession of the printer and supplies.

Secretary (Bill A): Provided copies of the November and December meeting minutes which were read by attendees & accepted unanimously. All accepted meeting minutes are available on the District 2 website: <http://district2.aahmbny.org/reports/>.

Treasurer (Helen F): November and December treasury reports were reviewed and accepted unanimously. All Treasury reports are available on the District 2 website: <http://district2.aahmbny.org/reports/>.

Alt. Treatment (Liz R): Liz attempted to contact Cristin Hansen @ St. Mary's to establish better communication between St. Mary's and District 2. Liz left a phone message and has spoken w/Zack E (Treatment chair, St Mary's, Fri). Further communication is needed.

Webmaster (Bill A): December newsletter and January meeting minutes have been posted to the District 2 website: <http://district2.aahmbny.org/>. Bill will create a CPC/PI web page when there is CPC/PI information to post.

Business/Topics Discussed:

- **District 2 YPAA service position:** District 2 is considering whether or not to continue the YPAA service position. Chris (Coffee-maker, Cohoes Wed evening, Greeter @ St. John's, Troy, Mon) volunteered to garner input from YPAA members about a District YPAA service position and bring the info to the next District 2 business meeting (Feb 13) for discussion.
- **Procuring more District 1 Meeting schedules w/CDTA bus line info or making District 2 equivalent:** District 2 discussed pursuing/creating the meeting schedules; a motion was made to not pursue the task at this time; the motion was put to a vote and passed by majority rule.
- **Creating 2020 Budget:** District 2 discussed creating a 2020 budget and members decided it was not needed.

Upcoming events:

- **Thurs, Feb 13, 2019, 7:00PM:** Next D2 Business meeting - Our Lady of Victory, Troy, NY
- **Tues, Feb 11, 2019, 6:30PM:** Next CDCO meeting - Computer Drive West, Albany, NY
- **Sun, Mar 8, 2020, 9:00AM:** Area 48 Fellowship Day - 161 Mansion St, Poughkeepsie, NY

- **Sat/Sun, Jun 13/14:** Area 48 Joy of Service Day (Hosted by D2) - Location TBD
- Visit <https://aahmbny.org/a-a-area-48-hmb-hudson-mohawk-berkshire/> for all HMB Area events.

Meeting closed at 8:05pm with the Responsibility Pledge.

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