

District 58 GSR Meeting Notes

Thursday, May 13, 2021

Call to Order - Time: 6:00

Open: Serenity Prayer

Tradition 5 : May – “Each group has but one primary purpose—to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.” We as individuals must carry the message to the alcoholic that still suffers, whether that be making suggestions, sponsorship, or even as simple as picking up the phone or giving someone a ride to a meeting. It is also important for each group to carry the message to the suffering alcoholic. It is important for each group to have a level of consistency, because sometimes the suffering alcoholic believes in the group before they believe in a Higher Power. We need to show them that there is hope in sobriety by sharing our experience, strength, and hope with suffering individuals. Read and explained by Virginia B.

Concept 5 : May – “Throughout our structure, a traditional “Right of Appeal” ought to prevail, so that minority opinion will be heard and personal grievances receive careful consideration.” Every member of AA has “right” to state their opinion and be heard. Everyone in AA has a vote and they have a right to state the reason for their vote, if they wish to do so. Allowing the minority to be heard is vital to the unity of AA. This will ensure democracy in AA. Read and explained by Jenn H.

Next Month Volunteers – Bob S ~ Tradition 6 & Virginia B. ~ Concept 6

Attendance:

(Five Members were present via Zoom) .

Judy M., Jessica T., Jenn H., Virginia B., Bob S.

Anniversaries:

Paula D 9 Years Sober May 5th (Friday Big Book, Cressona)

Mike S May 6th 20 Years Sober May 6th

Approval of Previous Minutes:

**Motion to Approve April meeting notes – Virginia B / Second by Bob S.*

Treasurers Report - (Please refer to separate treasurer’s report – it is included as an attachment to this email for meeting review/submittal)

Jessica T. reported May Treasurer’s report received from Tori W.

** Motion to Approve by Jessica T., Second by Virginia B..*

ADCM Report - Jessica T. reported

Jessica reported on the Hotline. She tested the Hotline System after providing them with the updated phone numbers, she reported there are 11 women and 8 men on the list. She tested the system last month and there were some glitches. Whoever answered the phone did not follow the correct procedures. Jessica has addressed this with the service and will test again in the days to follow. Also, she has been in contact with our Web Servant, Alan, asking if he could make a tab on our website that is titled, "Group Announcements." We can then put all the flyers that she and others have made under this tab. This way each group can SIMPLY go to the website, open the tab titled "Group Announcements", and download the flyers to announce at your meetings.

Archives Report: _Kevin K. was not present.

Web Servant Report - Alan was not present.

DCM Report – Judy M. reported

*Our "Business Cards" were a big hit and well appreciated. They have been handed out to most meeting GSR's and at least five places of business.

*Judy M reported – **Upcoming events** – ALL EVENTS LISTED ON AREA 59 WEBSITE*

**June 13th Quarterly meeting*

**August 6th & 7th – 28th Annual Pennsylvania State Convention –*

www.aapastateconvention.com for updates.

**August 20th & 22nd – PENNSCYPAA XXXIII – the 32nd Annual PA State Conference of*

Young People in Alcoholic Anonymous – hosted in Lancaster (IN PERSON EVENT)

<http://www.lancypaa.com/>

Correctional Facilities – Jessica T. reported

Jessica reported that last month, we decided not to purchase new materials for the prisons at this point, that there are some groups that would donate their "No Longer Needed Materials." Unfortunately, the brochures have staples in them and the books are hard covered books, so neither of these donations could be taken into the prison. Jessica reported that she has a rack of new literature and a rack to hold the literature, if any group would like to claim it. Jessica T. has been in contact with Warden Wapinsky, asking for a date when meetings will start up again, but at this point, they do not have a date. He has told her, that he will give her applications to come into the prisons when she comes again to drop off the literature. A date to do this has not been set.

Treatment Facilities Report: Tori W. was not in attendance but left detailed notes for Jessica T. to announce. She stated that Julia S. is bringing in meetings once a month to Gadenzia in Ashland, one month to inpatient and one month to the Hallway Way House. She is hoping to get other females to go in on other days as well. Virginia B. shared her story at Gadenzia! They would love for more women to share their story or bring meetings into the facility. If interested, contact Diane or Janie at Gadenzia. Conewago is not allowing meetings at this time. Chris S. was able to talk to Charlie and will allow meetings there at this time. If anyone is willing to speak or bring a meeting into the facilities, contact Tori W and she will help.

Gadenzia outpatient is requesting Big Books, 12 & 12, and Living Sober books. She will look into exactly what they need and we can offer books, but they should have a budget to purchase materials.

Coal Township facility, Dwane M. is always looking for speakers out there. If you would like to speak here, contact Tori and she will get you in touch with Dwane. Men or women speakers!

Business cards to Gadenza, Reddco, & Crisis Residential.

CPC/PI: None at this time

Visitation/Unity: *None at this time*

Grapevine: *None at this time*

Old Business:

GSRs, Home Group Members, & group representatives, **PLEASE** check your meeting days and times on the website, making sure they are correct with changes in times, in virtual or in person. Also, PLEASE make this announcement at your meetings. Also **PLEASE** promote the district website: www.district58area59aa.org . Also, please print out the flyer to promote at your meetings. Thank you!

New Business:

Service Structure Manual Draft – email sent asking to take the manual to Home Group Meetings and see if there are any issues. We can leave this out there until next month. If no issues, we will put it up on the website, then.

Group Problems:

Tuesday Night Group remedied their insurance problem to hold an AA Meeting at the church.

7th Tradition: Cash App

Next Meeting: Thursday, June 10th @ 6:00

Motion to Close meeting and time:

Motion to close – Jenn H. & Second Jessica T. at 6:44 PM