

# District 14 Meeting Minutes

## October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Opening -Welcome- 7:39 pm

### PURPOSE OF OUR MEETING

- As Trusted Servants of the AA members and groups in District 14, our primary purpose is to help the members of our district to carry the message to the alcoholic who still suffers.
- All our decisions are to be made according to group conscience and AA's Traditions.
  
- Serenity Prayer

**. Do you have a home group with a heartbeat? Is it connected to A.A. Through the veins and arteries of its GSR? A GSR Carrie's your home group vote to the conference! District 14 supports All AA groups having an active GSR. Every member of A.A. has the Responsibility to voice its vote in its home group. One member, one home group one vote as stated in A.A.s service manual.**

- Introduction of new Trusted Servants, visitors and attendees
- Individual and Group Anniversaries

**Tradition X.** No A.A. Group or member, should ever, in such a way as to implicate A.A., express any opinion on outside controversial issues—particularly those of politics, alcohol reform, or sectarian religion. The A.A. Groups oppose no one. Concerning such matters they can express **no** views whatever.

**Concept X.** Every service responsibility should be matched by equal service authority—the scope of such authority to be always well defined whether by tradition, by resolution, by specific job description, or by appropriate charters and by laws.

### COMMITTEE & OFFICER REPORTS (7:45-8:15)

Secretary, (Jac) Gary motions. Dick seconds. All approved.

Treasurer (Mark) Unity day donation of \$155. Paid out \$382.60 for Unity Day.

DCM (Theresa) Had DCM meeting last night. LOOKING FOR HOSPITALITY ROOM VOLUNTEERS for Convention Poughkeepsie 4,5,6- 8am to 10 am on Saturday .Friday, all day Saturday and Sunday morning. If you are attending the convention and want to join Theresa, please reach out. NENY Convention- SELECT JOB PAGE and it will have form to sign up

Inventory day coming up Sat Nov 19<sup>th</sup>. 9-3pm Hybrid.

Orientation day-Hybrid

Lara trying to get all the meetings put on our website. Lois- IT will help do this.

Grapevine writing workshop on October 29<sup>th</sup>. Hybrid with information on area website.

3 proposals were passed at voting assembly. 1 tabled.

1- Minor change

Scholarships to events was tabled. Make clearer.

Not printing guide books. Doing trifold instead.

Alt DCM (John)- nothing to report

Treatment(Ray)- Progress with corrections at Schenectady Country Jail. Matt W will help Ray go for the first time. In touch with Captain. Ray should be able to enter the jail. Orientation and training. Can only bring yourself and one other person. Every Monday 545-745 Men's. Women's 715-815.

Reaching out to Sober houses. New guys keeping coming and going. Continuing to reach out to rehab. Rides and literature and where meetings are. Scholarships for registration fees may be available.

Saint Joe's House on Congress is closing.

BTG (Jim)- Not present

Grapevine (open).

Literature (CDCO) (Lois)- CDCO is doing well with literature sales. Also has medallions and cards. Order online.

Open everyday but Sunday. Volunteers wanted to work at the office in 4 hour shifts. Groups should let

CDCO know of meeting changes.

Records (Lara)- Will try to get meetings on website  
Website (Bob/Gary)- not present

Accessibility (Ali)- Received welcome kit.

Corrections (open)

Functions (open)

Newsletter (open)

PI/CPC (open).

### **GSRs Reports (8:15-8:20)**

- Group announcements

Gary- meeting going slow and steady. Niskayuna

Chuck- GSR for Duanesburg. Meeting is smaller. Step meeting on Tues night.

Jac will contact Dave L about getting PO Box key for treasurer.

David- GSR Scotia Group- Might change business meeting to Monday and might close Tuesday 8pm meeting.

Lois- Sunday Women's Group- Doing steady- Location has bad reputation that may be deterring members from attending. Wednesday- Hybrid.

Fred- 7pm Light to Love Cobblestone Church on Putnam Road Rotterdam- Needs support. 10-12 at meetings. Group format is open discussion without a speaker. No foul language allowed. Desserts. Open space.

Kay- Across the Street- Wednesday at 630- doing well. Golf is over but bowling started. 30 people.

### **OLD BUSINESS (8:20-8:55)**

- **Elections for open positions**
- **Lisa J.'s presentation on October 10 was dynamic!** Attended by Gary, Jac, Theresa, David, Lara, Kay. All participants explained how they in there there specific service position help other members discovery recovery through service.
- **Results from voting assembly** (the 4 propositions voted on October 15<sup>th</sup>)
- **NENY convention please encourage group members to come and help with hospitality room.**
- **NERAASA** Held here in Albany At Desmond hotel. Need helpers with various jobs (greeters, registration tables ect.). When you register online you can sign up to help. Spread the word!
- **Grapevines books** are increasing there price as of January 1<sup>st</sup>. The increase is \$2.49 per book. So get yours now!
- **5 Scholarships** will be distributed to each ½ way house. Apply online for the NERAASA scholarship.
- **Orientation day will be put on virtually this year.** January 23<sup>rd</sup> by Adirondack cluster. More information to come
- **Surveys available online for International conference July 2025- only 10 questions**

**Theresa Inclusivity and accessibilities chair phone # 917-817-9132 Ali please call and order new handbook**

### **NEW BUSINESS (8:55-9:00)**

David P makes proposal: Decision not to print means Districts will print their own. Formatting and printing is very hard. We might decide to make a printable link.

Lois: D14 had a trifold.

Motion to David exploring a print button for live meeting information. Lois 2nds. Ali- clarifies that David wants a

print function. Discussion ensued. All in favor. Motion approved. David figure out a print button.

Lois- AA must keep and uphold traditions. Wants meetings to uphold tradition. Proposal GSR should talk about traditions. Might want to read 10<sup>th</sup> tradition at meetings. Practice traditions in our lives and our groups. District should not have an opinion.

*Next Meeting- November 21st 2022*

**ADJOURN – 8:32 Pm**

Responsibility Pledge