

Minutes of District 7 Meeting - February 12th, 2020:

Open with Serenity Prayer
 HMB Books were being distributed and are available: (5) per group

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

DCM Report: SHANE:

Orientation Day in Rome: got to meet a lot of people and then discussed Fellowship Day on March 8th in Poughkeepsie (see attached flier) hosted by Chris and Lindsey of District 11 for the first time. District 7 will be heading up the breakfast at that event and we are looking for volunteers, please see Shane if you are interested.

NERAASA (North East Regional AA Service Assembly) coming up 2/21-23 and there is a stipend request that we will talk about in New Business

Meeting with Carl the Area Corrections Chair Tomorrow

Districts 15/16/7 Webmaster Newsletter Commitment: Thea from Area 16 has volunteered to keep in going.

Interest in BTG and CPC/PI to also be discussed in New Business

Welcome new members: Kimberly from Sunrisers and MaryJo from the Serenity at the Center

Secretary's Report:

Correction from last month's minutes clarifying that we *do* need a BTG position, but in the meantime until that position is filled hopefully Corrections and Treatment can work together to fill any voids that may come up.

Treasurer's Report: See attached Report

January 2020 Treasurer's Report - HMB District 7

Item Description	Contributions	Repayment of Advance	Misc. Income	Misc. Expenses	Advances	Balance
01/01/20 Opening Balance						3,008.28
Sober In The Snow	15.00					
As Bill Sees It	75.00					
Sat. Morn. After	169.72					
REBOS	420.00					
Women Living Sober	10.00					
Sunrisers Club	420.00					
New Year's		250.00	35.00			
Memorial Day Picnic					200.00	
Labor Day Picnic					200.00	
TOTALS:	1,109.72	250.00	35.00	0.00	400.00	4,003.00
Prudent Reserve:						500.00
Available Balance:						<u>3,503.00</u>

Accessibility Report: Not in Attendance

Bridging the Gap: Open Position at this point in the meeting

Answering Service: Mike:

New to the position. At this point District 15's position is vacant and will meet with District 16's Ron to update information for the Answering Service. Will have sign-up sheets available at next month's district meeting.

Corrections Report: Ted:

Has a to-do list. Will be meeting with the Area's Corrections Chairs with Shane and Glenn from District 15. Would like to form a committee and to also get GSRs to ask for literature, to bring in meetings to facilities and also people who may want to be pen pals. Will planning on taking the Ulster County Jail Training.

CP/CPI Report: Will discuss in New Business

Functions: Liz:

Memorial & Labor Day Picnics are already booked for Robert Post Park. Permits have been turned over to the District Secretary.

Grapevine: Tracy:

The Suitcase has been opened. Taking inventory of the suitcase and will be preparing an order within his budget line for the year.

Newsletter/Web: Open Position

Treatment: Pattie:

was able to speak with most of the rehab facilities and the majority of the positions are filled at Samaritan Village, The Villa and Benedictine. There is a Women's Veterans AA meeting at Samaritan Village in Ellenville that is looking for someone to bring in meetings on Wednesdays. Is interested in getting pamphlets for these locations. Curious as to what Treatment's line item budget is?

Records: Andrea:

Encourages all new members and GSRs to email her at district7records@aahmbny.org with your current Name, Address, Phone and Emails for Records and if any members' have any changes to their information to also email her those changes.

If anyone needs any help resetting passwords for anonymous district emails or to have one issued to you for service work, please contact our Area 48 Chair: Hawk at webmaster@aahmbny.org

GSR REPORTS:

Mike: Fresh Start: Is in need of more group members for group participation

Craig -Saturday Morning After: have had a packed house as of late

Bob: Came to Believe: Rent Paid/House Full

Zac: KYP: Moved Business Meeting to 8:45pm on the 3rd Thursday of the month for both the Thursday and Saturday Meetings. Membership is up.

Elena -Sunrisers: Everything good/Attendance is good for a 6:45 am meeting

Dan: Stone Ridge Men's Meeting: Meetings Thursday and Sunday. Dan L celebrating/Rent paid with oil stipend for the church. Never Alone wants them to bring a men's meeting to their facility, since they come to their meetings. Pattie will reach out to help with this.

Sarah -Lake Katrine Women's: Coffee starts at noon before the meeting, if you want to take lunch and fellowship before the meeting/Rent is paid

Becky: Wed Woman's Meeting in High Falls: Service Commitments are filled

Clara: Sobriety First: had 8-9 day counters at their last meeting, if you are looking for sponsee's please come and visit.

Maryjo- Serenity at the Center: the meeting has no coffee but they always go to the diner afterwards. Please note that during the Teen Nite Dance Party the meeting still goes on upstairs

Butch -Sober In The Snow: Has a 12.50 Donation for the District

Elizabeth- Just for Today: New GSR, everything is good/positions are filled and meetings are full

Tracy- New Living Sober: Hanging Tough! Could always use new group members to do service.

Jay -Alt GSR for REBOS (Tues) and Keeping it Real (Bloomington): Both groups are doing well in attendance and the basket is full and Jay's sober date was the same night as this district meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

FILLING IN SERVICE POSITIONS:

Bridging The Gap (BTG): The position will now be taken on by Anne. Congratulations Anne! The DCM will help refer you to the Area BTG Chair to help you start to navigate your new commitment.

Webmaster/Newsletter: Open Position

Public Information (PI): Sally said that she heard that there are people (possibly Melissa?: who was not in attendance) interested in doing just PI

Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC): Celia would like to work as a team with the PI position. Then there was encouragement to form committees to help with the CPC & PI Commitments.

Ted: Can the Secretary make a list of Committee Chairs? (See attached list to this email)

Celia: Then questioned the security and the anonymity of the district emails.

Andrea: The area set up on a server to create anonymous emails specifically to protect its member's anonymity.

Sally: We will have to ask the webmaster at the area to split the emails for CPC & PI

Mike: We can reach out to Area to make anonymous emails

Celia: Make sure that the information that you are obtaining and using while doing a service commitment is still kept anonymous even in your work and home lives.

Webmaster Position is still available

Ted/Shane: The Area Website: aahmbny.org gives descriptions/links for each of the District Service Commitments

Shane and Mary will do their best to visit all of the meetings in our district especially at their business meetings. They are also looking for any volunteers who would like to help with this service and to also bring the (5) HMB books to each of these meetings

Kerhonkson and Ellenville are pretty much dark spots in our district in terms of participating. It was heard that Todd will bring books to these meetings. Also Butch and Patty offered to help.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mary:

Asking for the stipend to attend NERAASA. Motion Passed. Asked to research how much the district previously approved for stipends. Upon research in past minutes: In May 2019 the proposal for stipends was as follows:

\$25 for events 30 miles away

\$250 for large conferences like NERAASA and NERF with the note that the requestee ask their home group first

In June 2019 the proposal was passed with one amendment.

Liz for Functions:

Has a Proposal for two suggestions for The Sober Cruise in September 2020

Suggestion One: For the cruise to include an AA meeting : Either 1 hour and 45 minutes before the cruise takes off **OR** having a meeting after the cruise ends

Suggestion Two: To have the food on the ship change to BYOB desserts and snacks in a Pot Like Style
The cruise ship will continue as is has in the past to provide water and sodas and we supply the coffee.

Mike: Start thinking about the Literature Order for Spring: if we purchase \$500 worth we do not have to pay for shipping

HVYPAA Liaison: Liz: February 2/16 HVYPAA Fellowship Day from 2-5pm at the CTK in Stone Ridge.

Speed Fellowship/Whisper Walk/Traditions through fellowship

Meeting closed at 8:00 PM with Responsibility Pledge

Attached to this email are the following documents:

- Area Fellowship Day Flier
- District 07 Service Commitments Contact Information

- January 2020 District 07 Treasurer's Report
- HMB Area Newsletter January 2020 that includes the Area Proposals that are being voted on in the May Area Assembly!!!

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In love & service,

Eileen H
District 7 Secretary