

District 48 Monthly Meeting

March 12, 2025

In-person meeting opened at 7:30pm by DCM Anna A.

12 Traditions: Read by Genny D.

Note: Groups should fill out tickets for the quarterly raffle. An explanation was also given for the seating chart and group name table-tents, which helps identify individuals allowed to speak.

Roll Call & GSR Meeting Report:

Present with No Rreport: A Common Solution, Acceptance Is the Key, As Bill Sees It Plus, Friday Night Big Book, Friday Night Group, Friday Night Beacon (name to be changed to "Friday Night Hughesville"), Friends and Veterans in Sobriety, Just Do It, Lunch Hour Group, Monday Duboistown, Montoursville Step Group, Picture Rocks Monday Night, Plain and Simple, Saturday Morning Big Book, Search for Sobriety, Staying Sober Penn College, The Solution, Thursday Night Duboistown, Thursday Night Women's Meeting, Tuesday Night DuShore, Up the Creek, Wednesday Night Muncy, Williamsport Group

Present with Report: 11th Step Meditation Group is looking for support. If anyone is interested in learning more about the material used, please see John Michael after the meeting.

Secretary's Report: Motion was made to accept the March minutes. Motion passed. GSO Group Forms were passed around for GSRs to complete, as complete contact information is needed for the creation of the District 48 Directory. Minutes from the past three months will be posted on the District 48 website as soon as a website committee is in place.

Treasurer's Report: Abbey reporting. Copies of the March treasurer's report were provided and a statement was also presented for the district checking account, as well as an updated group contributions report. Two corrections were noted which addressed an issue in which too much was added to the workshop receipts, which affected the miscellaneous costs. Questions were solicited and none were raised. A motion was made to accept the March treasurer's report. Motion passed.

DCM: Anna A. reporting. She began with a summary from the 2nd Quarterly area meeting and brought back copies of the delegate, chairperson, and treasurer reports. Anna noted that the 3rd Quarterly area meeting will be held in Bloomsburg on June 8th and emphasized the value of the "upside down triangle" in action. Information about this year's EPGSA conference was provided (to be held November 14-16 at the Lancaster Wyndham); she encouraged groups to start setting aside funds so GSRs can attend and she alerted groups that the district is seeking guest observers, noting Judge Butts' participation last year. Additionally, PENNSYPAA will be held in Harrisburg from June 20-22 and the event offers great fellowship opportunities. Finally, Anna addressed the issue of treatment court accepting AA service as volunteer hours – although individuals may attest to a group member's participation, it is AA policy that letters and forms will not be created for the courts in the organization's official capacity. All documentation of service work for treatment court must be outside AA's meetings and in an individual's name only.

ADCM: Chuck S. reporting. To start, it was noted that panel members are attending meetings throughout the district, so if your group has not seen them, they soon should. Any questions or concerns from GSRs or members at large are welcome. Next, groups should solicit topics for possible district workshops and bring their top three ideas to the April 9 district meeting; the three most popular topics will be brought by the panel to the groups as suggestions for upcoming workshops. Last, a reminder was given about the April 9 district meeting, which will be held at 7:30pm (Steering Committee will not meet in April due to the time adjustment).

Activities: David M. reporting. Totes from the last activities chairperson have been transferred and the committee will be seeking volunteers soon.

Answering Service: Josh K. reporting. No calls came in for February – volunteers are still being sought.

Archives: Nicole M. reporting. Histories have been printed and each group will have a file, but the committee is still seeking updated group records. An example history was read and Nicole offered to act as a scribe.

Correctional Facilities:

Men: Chuck W. reporting. The LPC space has been closed and the PRC is currently light, so no meetings have gone in recently. This will be re-evaluated in the coming weeks.

Women: No report.

CPC/PI/Literature: No report.

Finance: Abbey reporting. The committee is seeking suggestions regarding how to spend excess district monies. Possible options could include funding a book store, purchasing literature for correctional facilities, coordinating more workshops. The excess funds can be spent on district-wide efforts, but not individual groups.

Grapevine: Sue reporting. Anyone who purchases a subscription from March 18-25 will receive free material on the topic of spiritual awakening. She also gave a brief review of the Grapevine app, which includes a sobriety date counter and online store.

Meeting Cards: Jeff reporting. New cards have been printed, so please see him if necessary.

Newsletter: April reporting. Submissions should be directed to her, including any anniversaries.

Steering Committee: No report. No meeting

Treatment & Accessibility:

Men: No report.

Women: Marisa reporting. A reminder was given that White Deer requires one year of continuous sobriety and that volunteers are needed.

Website: No report.

Workshop: No report.

Ad Hoc Committee (Handbook Revision): Chuck W. reporting. The committee is comprised of five members and has met twice. Two paragraphs have been reviewed, but the project is projected to stay on track.

Tutorial: Read by Megan S., who gave an insightful reflection on the 3rd Tradition and the impact it made in her early recovery. David will read the tutorial in April.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Barry introduced himself and listed his qualifications for the role of Workshop Committee chairperson. Motion passed to confirm him for the remainder of Panel 75.

Guests: Shane, Jolene, and Charlie

Coffee: Cyndi fulfilled the March commitment and Chuck S. accepted it for April.

Anniversaries: Josh W. (9 months), Gary D. (1 year), David M. (9 years), Genny D. (38 years)

Announcements: A request has been made to purchase 20 Big Books for the Lycoming County Correctional Facilities. While the initial amount was estimated at \$267, a price list was requested for the April district meeting – this will help evaluate the cost of hardback, paperback, and large-print copies. A question was raised about a possible second correctional facility that serves two groups in our district (Wyoming county), to which Anna replied that she will contact the other AA district served by that facility. The winning raffle ticket was drawn and the prize was awarded to Gary D. of the New Freedom Group.

Meeting adjourned at 8:12pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lindsay H.