

DISTRICT 12 NHAA BUSINESS MEETING OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

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Subject: District 12 Meeting Minutes

Date and Time: May 16, 2010 6-8 PM

Place: St. Raphael Hall, Manchester, NH.

Attendance: District Officers/Group Chairs:9 ,

Group GSRs: 24, Alt GSRs:1, Visitors:6

Next Meeting: May 16, 2010 6-8 PM. at St. Raphael Hall.

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM by Paul S. with a moment of silence. The Preamble, Tradition 5 and Concept 5 were read. A motion was made and passed to accept the orders of the day on the agenda.

- **The Roll Call was called and confirmed.**

Officer Reports

Secretary:

- A motion was made to accept the minutes of the previous month. The motion was passed unanimous.

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- Chris B. reminded all the Post-Conference Assembly will be held on May 22, from 8-4pm, at the 1st Baptist Church in New London. Many important issues are to be discussed at this Conference. Chris will bring back a synopsis.
- New GSR's: please give information to Sue W., and she will give it to Paul G. the registrar. GSR packets will be given out next month, including a lot of district information not included in the packet.
- NYSCYPAA: 2011 Conference may possibly be in Manchester.
- Forms for Bridging the Gap/Early Release should be ready next month. In addition, there will be new Hotline forms next month.
- The Registrar is unable to attend this month's meeting. The 1500 copies of the district meeting lists seems to be adequate. Chris emphasized that people contact Chris B. or Registrar with any changes, or errors in the meeting lists.
- Gmail accounts: Chris would like all to be sure that they are using and checking their gmail accounts for the district positions.
- Grapevine Survey: Rich P. our Area Delegate has a survey for all GSR's to have their groups fill out. This survey will be used to restructure the Grapevine. These surveys may be mailed to the address on the survey, or brought to the district meeting and Sue W. will deliver to the Area office.
- Area Committee Chair Sandy B. has stepped down, due to a new job. Our new Area Chair is Mike M. At the March Convention, Chris was approached to fill in the Alt. Chair position, which he will run in a position of nomination. Chris emphasized his loyalty to the district. Paul S. would be able to vote for District 12 and represent at the Area Conference.

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- Paul S. announced that his Biology class is finished, and he now has more free time!

Treasurer

Richard D. read aloud to the assembly the pertinent highlights of the distributed report. There was an unpaid invoice for the last printing of the newsletter, due to getting the bill late. During the last month \$607 was transferred from functions to the General Account. Petty Cash is listed because in prior years it's been quite high. Therefore, if any committee member needs to get reimbursed in cash, then you must tell the Treasurer ahead of time, otherwise it will be in the form of a check. Al R. made a request that it be done in an earlier form of excel, so it will be sent in the future in 2003.

End of April 2010 District 12 Treasurer's Report.:

General District Checking Account	\$7,910.96
Petty Cash	\$ 19.50
<u>Functions Committee Checking</u>	<u>\$ 1,950.00</u>
Total District 12 Funds	\$ 9,880.46
(Note: Current Prudent Reserve	\$4,500.00)

The Treasurer's Report was unanimously accepted by the Assembly

Committee Reports

Grapevine: Tom J. had the literature display out. The back issues have been ordered. Tom asked that people look and ask, and Tom is willing to get it for you.

Functions: Terry F. announced that the Spring Fling was a success, and that we made a profit of \$403.20. The summer outing flyers are available, and tickets are also available for \$15 in advance.

Nominating Committee: They will be meeting this Wednesday, 7-9pm, so any chairs of committees please attend.

Announcements

We need to cut costs, so please check the website for the agenda and minutes each month. Copies are being brought to the meeting, however we are running out so people may not be bringing their own with them, who are able to.

Old Business

Nominations for the Asst. Treas. Functions and Records Chair

- There were no nominations for the Ast.District Treasurer
- Nominations for Records Chair: Chris M. and Kate H. Both women gave their qualifications. A ballot vote proceeded via 3rd legacy procedures. At the time of the vote there were 34 voting members present.
The vote tallied : Kate H. 31 votes Chris M. 3 votes
The new Records Chair was Kate H.

New Business

1. Bus Tour: A motion had been made by Denise C., GSR of First Light of Day, to have the District arrange a bus tour to the Wilson House on Bill Wilson Day, 2011.

- The motion was 2nded.
- Dave proposed an amendment to the motion, to submit it to the Function Committee, to submit to the assembly in August with a feasibility study. Discussion followed: Obie felt there was no district money involved except set-up costs. Ron asked if this was to be considered an event or a fundraiser. Roger was concerned that the Function committee did not need to be doing this. Chris B. clarified that Functions was only doing a feasibility study and would not necessarily be running it.
- A vote on the amended motion was passed unanimously.
- A second motion that the feasibility study be completed to give to the August assembly passed unanimously.

2. Policy on the District Website: to clarify the posting of events not sponsored by the Assembly on the district web site. This would be delegating authority to the Web Site Committee to post the events such as:

- Events organized by District 12 NHAA members, although not a District 12 sponsored event.
- Any event for which funds are collected which is in excess of the direct cost to run the even will not be posted without approval of the assembly.
- Events which may be of interest to sober people, but which are not sponsored by an AA service entity or which are organized by AA members outside of District 12 will not be posted.
- The NHAA District 12 website will only link to websites which are sponsored or maintained by other AA service assemblies.

Richard D. asked for clarification on bullet 2, and this meant that the Web Site won't post a \$30 fee if the event only costs \$15. Dave H. clarified that AA members could post an AA member run activity, but it is not a specific AA event. In short, the Assembly would need to vote on anything that will make a profit, i.e. calling it a fundraiser.

This passed unanimously.

3. Approval to add the following text to the District 12 Service manual, Parliamentary Authority Section, immediately preceding the section entitled "How Robert's Rules Works".

Dave H. read aloud the following text:

GENERAL CONDUCT:

It is the expressed view of the Assembly of District Twelve/NHAA Area 43 that members and anyone attending District Assembly Meetings tailor their individual behavior to the principles put forward in the 12 Steps, 12 Traditions, and 12 Concepts of Alcoholics Anonymous. All meetings are conducted under the guidance of *decorum in debate* as stated in our chosen parliamentary authority, *Robert's Rules of Order; Newly Revised-Current Edition, Da Capo Press*. Parliamentary decorum is based on the premise of "principles over personalities" and requires of all members that they respect the rights of the individual members as well as the rights of the entire assembly. It is requested that anyone wishing to speak at a District Assembly Meeting do so through addressing the Chairman and not other members or attendees. It is also requested that any member rising to speak in the assembly address the issue of the moment on the floor.

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The Chairman is present to conduct the meeting, not run it. Among others, some routine tasks of the Chairman are: to maintain order, keep the Assembly informed of facts, offer rulings in dispute, and answer member's inquiries pertaining to information, order and procedure. The primary duty of the Chairman, however, is to efficiently and justly manage the agenda of the Assembly while insuring that the individual rights of members are protected from abuse by the Assembly, and the rights of the Assembly are protected from abuse by any individual member.

Richard D. asked to clarify "chairman" being whoever would be asked to chair the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Chris B. reminded all that the open debate on the website policy was a great example of why District 12 works, which is why we just didn't let website committee members do what ever they wanted to do.

Paul S. reminded the Assembly to reserve campsites immediately for the Summer Outing at Pawtuckaway, as they are going fast. In addition, Paul reminded all of the May Area Assembly next Saturday.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm and closed with the Lord's Prayer