

District 2, Area 46 – Meeting Minutes – March 13, 2018

- 1) **Opening:** Joost opened at 6:32 p.m. in a meeting room in the Friendship Club.
- 2) **Moment of Silence followed by the Serenity Prayer**
- 3) **Tradition of the Month:** Phyllis read and gave a 2-minute presentation on Tradition 3. Ray volunteered for Tradition 4. Kathleen volunteered for Tradition 5.
- 4) **Concept of the Month:** Claudi read Concept 3.
- 5) **New to District or Visitors:** Wyetta Santa Fe Sober Sisterhood meeting; Bay Povi; Eric working with Corrections.
- 6) **Birthdays since last meeting:** February 27th Wyetta celebrated 26 years; Brian celebrated 4 years on February 22nd and Claudia celebrated 17 years on February 25th.
- 7) **Secretary's Report:** None.
- 8) **Minutes presented for approval:** Celia – The announcements still has her as the contact for the Corrections Correspondence program, please change. Lynne motioned to approve, Sarah second, minutes approved.
- 9) **Treasurer Report:** John – Anyone have any questions? If you don't have money to front for your group for purchases from Central Office or the Club they can invoice you and you can get the money from John. We're doing very good, contributions have been coming in steadily. Looking forward to matching your groups GSR payments for assemblies. Lynn motioned to approve, Annie second, report approved.
- 10) **Registrars Report:** Sarah F. – Moving along, contact list will be finalized soon. Has been attending meetings that are lagging with Sarah C. and Joost to see if they would like any help. If you are a new GSR and have not seen her, please give her your information and she will see to it that it gets sent on to New York.
- 11) **DCM Report:** Joost – Larry K passed away on February 28th. There will be a new service forum ad hoc committee and needs representation from District 2.
- 12) **Alt DCM Report:** We now have openings for Young People's Chair. Thank you Nicole and Carlo for your service.
- 13) **Ongoing Business:** *Possible 2019 State Convention bid report by Lynn* – Santa Fe Convention Center can seat up to 950 people in the main auditorium and have the option of renting other smaller rooms. We can get the Courtyard for 1 day (Saturday). The 20% Non-profit rate for all 3 days is \$7,200-\$8,200. They will bid the hotels (6% return) and caterers. Need to pay 50% down, remaining 50% will be due 6 months before the event. The schools and Buffalo Thunder are not viable options. Sarah C. will continue to get a bid from Buffalo Thunder to help bring the SFCC quote down.
Questions: Connor – Do we have any idea what the grand total would be? No
Phillip – Santa Fe sounds way sexier, there are so many other AA meetings in Santa Fe than other towns.
Kathleen – Is there an anonymity concern if there is another company renting the “other half of the hall”. How is it separated?
Jordan – Cowgirl is a better option for costs.
Norma – When is the next planning committee - Next Wednesday at 5:30 at the Club.
Phyllis – I support this and maybe we can ask the Party Committee to plan something.
Wyetta – I helped with NYMCIPAA in Albuquerque and the groups did individual fund raisers.
Megan – We can do a silent auction.
Sarah F. – Has 2007 Convention numbers.

Kathleen motioned for Santa Fe to host the 2019 State Convention at the SFCC - All in favor – passed.

Vote on 5th Edition Motion: Megan motioned to accept, Sarah F. Second, in favor 1 opposed, 1 abstained.
Minority opinion: Do we really want to turn off a certain part of the nation with the drugs, LGBT groups etc.,
Discussion: Several stories were shared how Dr. Bob's story has drugs, and the current stories helped others discover their alcoholism. This is prejudicial and it's not our primary purpose. Phillip: If we send this in AA

as whole will decide what the update is and will include, not us. Laura: The motion seems a little wordy. Connor: The motion is simply: “That the General Service Conference consider creating a 5th edition of the book Alcoholics Anonymous.” Motion stands as accepted.

Safety issues by Megan – Still doing R&D. More shall be revealed.

14) New Business: Patrick from Central Office wants to take the answering service off and go back to alcoholics taking 12 Step call list for hours 12:00 am – 6:00 am. ***Please take this announcement back to your groups.***

15) New GSRs: Sarah: New GSR’s – I highly recommend you go the assembly in Roswell so you can learn what they are all about. If you go and would like some help figuring things out, text or call her and she will try to help.

16) New Chairs:

Treatment Facilities: Celia – There is a new meeting at the Life Healing Center sponsored by An AA Group and a new afternoon meeting at the Santa Fe Detox sponsored by the Aspen Group. The Recovery Center has moved and meetings are not temporarily opened to all AA members. They will be opening a Women’s and Children’s Center and will need women’s meetings for when they open (estimated sometime in April).

Website: Phyllis H. – Website will soon have a button “looking for help” and a “GSR” button to make the site is more user friendly. Please download an international app called Meeting Guide; they are looking into it and she would like your feedback. Will have more information next District Meeting.

Accessibilities: Kathleen – If anyone looking for Sign language interpreters talk to her.

Bridge the Gap: Norma – She is the new Bridge the Gap Chair and should have new cards with her information on them next week.

Bilingual: Maria – She will make an announcement at her group that Central Office needs Spanish Speaking people to answer the phone.

17) What’s On Your Mind: None.

18) 7th Tradition: Recognized and collected.

19) Announcements:

- **Central Office needs** volunteers for the **12th Step List** – will include getting calls from answering service during the hours of **12:00 am to 6:00 am.**
- **Accessibility Committee** – If you know of anyone that is looking for a sign language interpreter for meetings or if you know anyone that needs a meeting at a hospital or at home, please call Central Office and leave a message for the Accessibilities Chair Kathleen H.
- **Treatment Facilities Committee** will be looking for groups who can sponsor women’s meetings at the Recovery Center for when they start their women’s and family program (estimated to be April). Please contact Celia at 803.429.0628.
- **Corrections Correspondence Program** – if you are interested you can correspond with an inmate please contact Joe L. at 505.577.7477.
- **Men needed for County Jail meetings**, contact Joe L. at 505.577.7477.
- Every second Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.: **AA Concepts study** before the District 2 Mtg at the Friendship Club.
- Next District 2 meeting will be April 10th, 6:30 at the Friendship Club back room.

20) Closing: “I Am Responsible” – I am responsible, when anyone anywhere reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there, and for that, I am responsible. Meeting closed at 8:00 p.m.