District 34 Monthly Meeting
August 8th, 2024 - 6:30 pm

Introductions/Call-to-Order:
ADCM Stacy S. opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer.
Jeff L. read Tradition Seven and Mark A read Tradition Eight followed by discussion.
(a volunteer) to read Tradition Nine at the September 2024 meeting.

District Roll Call

● Mark A.	Secretary	District 34 (Triangle Group)
● Gia F.	GSR	District 34 (Newcomers Group)
● Jeff L.	DCM	District 34 (Triangle Group)
● Stacy S.	ADCM	District 34 (Willow Street Step & Traditions Group)
● Claire B.	Special Guest	Area 59 (Officer at Large)

All present Representatives gave a brief report on the state of their home groups.

Special Guest (Claire B.): Claire introduced herself and her home group and how she has had past experience as a registar with her district. Her homegroup is in District 44 - one day at a time group - Chester County. She also gave a brief description of what she currently does for the Area as the Officer at Large and other roles that she does for AA as a whole and with her district. Jeff L. and Stacy S. gave a brief description of what the issues are with district engagement

District 34 revitalization ideas and discussion:

- Visit other district meetings (neighboring meetings) to get ideas of what is working and what is not working for them. Can also have multi district workshops.
- Call to action at area and other AA meetings to get input from other GSR or active members in their districts.
- Express to groups in the district how our meetings run and keep them short and concise to respect people's time.
- Invite past delegates, bridging the gap, archivists, etc. to join our meetings to provide input and some interesting education content.
- Keep it positive to people that show up on occasion or to people that do not show up anymore for whatever reason.
- People do not need to have any experience to show up to the district meetings. Make it inviting and reduce fear.
- Divide up meetings and (re)visit meetings keeping it casual to invite them to come to the meeting.
- We need to be current with our fellowship connection and connected at the Intergroup level.
- We can provide GSR kits even by mail. There is a form on the website to fill out on the website as a content (GSR) for each group. (Can be mail contact only)
- Area 59 archivist has group history forms (and even COVID group history) that we can see if the groups are registered and we can provide them forms and invite them to join us to provide their history or update it.
- Bring a newcomer with you or another AA friend. They can be observers.

Intergroup Report: No formal report.

Secretary Report: JUNE - Mark A. emailed a copy of the formal Secretary Report from the past District Meeting to the District Representatives (Meeting Date –June 13th, 2024). Mark A. did have one change after it was sent to amend the Tradition reading call to order for dates. (NO QUORUM at July meeting) A motion to ***APPROVE*** the Secretary's Report was passed unanimously (with officers voting as home group members, not district officers). (Motion: Jeff L, Second: Gia F.)

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Treasurer Report: JUNE - Paul S. emailed a copy of the formal Treasurer's report ahead of the meeting. The beginning balance on June 13th, 2024, totaled $658.95. There were no deposits and no expenses. The ending balance on July 11th, 2024, totaled $658.95. (NO QUORUM at the July meeting). A motion to ***APPROVE*** the Treasurer's Report was passed unanimously (with officers voting as home group members, not district officers). (Motion:Jeff L., Second:Mark A.)

JULY - Paul S. emailed a copy of the formal Treasurer's report ahead of the meeting. The beginning balance on July 11th, 2024, totaled $658.95. There was one deposit [Midday Serenity $67.00] and no expenses. The ending balance on August 8th, 2024, totaled $725.95. A motion to ***APPROVE*** the Treasurer's Report was passed unanimously (with officers voting as home group members, not district officers). (Motion: Stacy S., Second: Gia F.)

ADCM Report: No formal ADCM Report.

DCM Report: We will be joined by our Area Officer-at-Large, Claire. We will be working on coming up with a plan/event to try to "revitalize our district, and get more participation from "inactive" meetings. We also have some items to discuss for the upcoming Area quarterly meeting in September.

Old Business (On-Hold & In-Process District Items):

A. ***INFORMATIONAL ONLY*** - Still working on outreach to inactive groups.
UPDATE - Looking into having people attend meetings to find out their status and give them information about District 34 and how they can attend or have a GSR represent their group.
UPDATE - Jeff L.(DCM) sent active groups in the district spreadsheet to review. Gia F. brought up getting ideas from other people at NERAASA. The idea is to come up with a mission statement/incentive plan for people to become more involved (show the value of representation).
UPDATE (03/14) - Jeff L. (DCM) discussed outreach plans for Districts who "go dark" or inactive; he will reach out to Claire (Officer at Large) to get the information that the past Districts have used. Gia F. spoke to individuals at NERAASA concerning ideas to keep the District Members involved.
UPDATE (04/11) - Jeff L. (DCM) before planning a workshop, Jeff will reach out to Claire before we decide on the subject or logistics of the workshop. Jeff is going to invite Claire to one of our district meetings.
UPDATE (06/13) - Jeff L. (DCM) had talked to Claire and she was busy, so we are waiting for her to have some time to make any recommendations.

B. ***INFORMATIONAL ONLY*** - We will look into doing a district inventory meeting in 2024.
UPDATE - Jeff L. brought up maybe doing more of an informative meeting to get more district meetings and GSRs involved.
UPDATE (03/14) - District discussed the initial planning of the Inventory Meeting and agreed to do so after District representation is better.

C. ***INFORMATIONAL ONLY*** **VOTING COMPLETED** - Jeff L. requested a vote to begin the Workshop Subcommittee. The Committee will meet 30 minutes prior to the District Meeting. (Motion: Jeff, Second: Stacy) ***UPDATE (04/11)*** - Jeff L. we are going to put the subcommittee on hold until we hear ideas from Claire at Area.

New Business:

A. Open nominations for officers will be held for District 34 this year in November. What are people interested in as far as commitments?
B. Open nominations for officers will be held for District 34 this year in November.

7th Tradition:

The “basket was passed” for district meeting funding. ** Electronic Donation ONLY **

Adjournment: Motion to close Jeff L. The meeting adjourned with the Responsibility Pledge.

**Per Tradition 11 and 12, the full names are not listed in Meeting Minutes to protect the anonymity of the Service Members; Full names can be provided upon request of the District or Area Service Members with the approval of the Service Members impacted.