MEETING MINUTES
Philadelphia Bid Committee for the 57th ICYPAA
November 3, 2013, 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.
4021 Club, 4021 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, PA

1. Meeting opened at 12:00 p.m. (EDT), Brian called to order, then the meeting began a prayer (Carolyn)

2. Introductions

3. Attendees:

   Brian, Chair
   Neal, Co-Chair
   Corinne, Member-at-Large
   Mike C., CPC/PI Liaison
   Caroline, Service Chair and Area 59 Liaison; Interim Secretary
   Chelsea, Treasurer
   Graeson, Merchandise Chair
   Alison, Site Co-Chair
   Jen, Calendar Chair
   Dianna, Fellowship Chair and Archivist
   Betsy, Site Chair
   Audrey, 12th Step Call Chair
   Alex H., Bid Book Chair
   Amanda
   Joe, Member-at-Large
   Jess
   Carolyn, Prayer/Unity Chair

   Absent:
   Kelsey, Events Chair
   Josh, Outreach Chair
   Everardo, District Liaison
   Brad, Set-up/Clean-up Chair
   Sarah, Member-at-Large

   Total: 17 present; 16 votes (Brian abstains)

4. Reports

   a. Secretary’s Report (Caroline)

      - Minutes from 10/13/13 read (Caroline) and approved. Caroline will circulate minutes after each meeting via email for committee’s review and approval within 48 hours.
      - Motion to accept report, seconded, passed 16-0-1

   b. Treasury Report (Chelsea)
- Financial Report on 11/2 Event: Dr. Bob's Nightmare Halloween Dance
  o Approximately 135 attendees
  o Income: dance tickets, gross: $1,338; energy drink sales, gross: $88
  o Expenses: rent ($100), DJ ($225), supplies ($173), energy drinks ($73)
  o Event Profit: $855
  o T-shirt sales: $10
  o Total Profit: $865
  o 7th Tradition collected at pre-dance meeting = $87, to be split between GSO, Area 59, and SEPIA
  o Scholarships (sponsor a newcomer): $130 total ($30 in hand, $100 A/R)
- Pizza for 11/3 service project = $60
- Treasury balance = $1,844
  o $1,122 cash in hand, $81 in PayPal, $688 in bank
- Motion to accept report, seconded, passed 16-0-1

c. Events Report (Neal)

- Thank you to everyone who helped at Dr. Bob's Nightmare Halloween Dance and Speaker Meeting!
  o AA members were there from Philly, Delaware County, Chester County, Camden County (NJ), Scranton, as well as 4 random people who walked by
  o Outreach tables: DelCo Bid for PENNSCYPAA, Scranton Host for PENNSCYPAA
  o Church wouldn’t accept the $100 rent, but Neal will make the contribution somehow or put it in their collections box
  o Katie C., the speaker, was recorded; Neal will review sound quality and work with Rob to post on our website
- Matthew from Maryland Bid Committee for ICYPAA approached Neal with idea for doing a field day / “Sober Olympics” event in spring 2014
  o Event would be held in Delaware and benefit DECYPAA, newly reformed committee for state conference
  o Maryland, Pennsylvania, Delaware, and New Jersey YPAA would be invited to participate
- Motion to accept report, seconded, passed 16-0-1

From Kelsey (Brian read):

- He and Brad are in contact with Dave & Buster’s
- What do we think of a NYE event? No interest, mentioned NECYPAA will be held the last weekend in December in Rhode Island and several members will attend.

d. Site Report (Betsy)
- Shane, our rep at the Marriott, was very disappointed that Philadelphia hadn’t won the Bid. Betsy and Alison will take him out to lunch soon to build relationship and begin conversation for 2015
  - Motion to accept report, seconded, passed 16-0-1

e. Bid Book Report (Alex)
  - Will be contacting point people to form a Bid Book Sub-Committee (Site, A/V, Treasurer, Service, etc.), which will meet the third week of the month, in between Bid Committee meetings
  - We need to start thinking about a theme
  - Motion to accept report, seconded, passed 16-0-1

f. Web Report (Rob emailed; Brian read)
  - Rob update website with minutes, will be working with Jen, Calendar Chair, to create a calendar online with our events and meetings
  - Motion to accept report, seconded, passed 16-0-1

g. Outreach Report (Josh emailed; Brian read)
  - Outreach for Dr. Bob’s Nightmare Halloween Dance: distributed flyers and made announcements at Fairmount group and Center City Young People’s groups
  - While travelling, he stopped at young people’s meetings in El Paso, TX and Flagstaff, AZ and announced that Philadelphia would be bidding to host the 2015 ICYPAA. “I basically mentioned our website and that we would love the opportunity to carry the message in our city. Both times it was received very well, with BIG SMILES and semi-cheers. I'll try to get to another YP meeting while I'm in Denver next week.”
  - Motion to accept report, seconded, passed 16-0-1

h. Service Report (Caroline)
  - The Bridge Way School
    - 3 initiatives: phone lists, meeting lists, monthly speaking commitment (committee members to speak at the school to share story, followed by relevant topic/discussion and Q&A, etc. Tuesdays and Fridays 11:10am-12:00pm are the time slots)
      - First commitment: Friday, October 18 (Caroline attended); Sarah offered to fill November commitment
  - CPC
    - Chelsea, Caroline, and Betsy are taking medical students to open AA meetings. CPC meets the first Monday of every month at 7pm at SEPIA, 444 N. 3rd Street – come get involved!
  - Area 59 Inventory: October 20, 2013 in Collegeville, PA
    - Caroline attended
      - The inventory was held, much like a group inventory, to review the Area Committee’s service work and effectiveness and share
ideas for improvement; no voting took place; motions will be considered at future quarterly meetings
  o Distributed Halloween dance flyers to all DCMs, announced Bid Committee and dance
  o Emailed flyer to Area 59 Secretary for their website and it was posted by the next day

- **Area 59 Eastern PA General Service Assembly (EPGSA): November 8-10, 2013 in Lancaster, PA**
  o Saturday at 11am: Literature Meeting: *Young & Sober* (Caroline to chair)
  o Saturday at 2:45pm: Grapevine Writing Workshop (encourage YPAA participation)
  o Saturday midnight (Sunday at 12am): Philly Bid to host Saturday’s midnight meeting (Jen to chair) and Friday’s midnight meeting will be hosted by PENNSCYPAA Advisory
  o Program is online: [http://www.area59aa.org/E-Forms-Flyers/Program%2013%20-%20web%20view.pdf](http://www.area59aa.org/E-Forms-Flyers/Program%2013%20-%20web%20view.pdf)

- **Area 59 Delegate: Steve O.**
  o Steve now includes YPAA activity (Philly Bid for ICYPAA, PENNSCYPAA Host – Scranton, and PENNSCYPAA Bid Committees) in all of his Delegate Reports
  o He is unofficially the Area's YPAA Liaison
  o Caroline and Steve are in regular communication

- **Area 59 Quarterly Meeting: December 8, 2013 in Reading, PA**
  o District 66 will host
  o Location: Kenhorst Fire Company, 411 S. Kenhorst Blvd., Reading, PA 19607
  o Time: Doors open 8 a.m.; Area Meeting starts 11 a.m.

- Motion to accept report, seconded, passed 16-0-1

  i. Fellowship Report (Dianna)

- **Philly Bid Winterfest 2K14: Sober Retreat and ICYPAA Planning Workshop:**
  o To be held Saturday, February 8 – Sunday, February 9, 2014
  o Auburn, PA in the Appalachian Mountains (see Google Community for address)
  o BYO food
  o Agenda:
    - Saturday 10am: Coffee, hot chocolate, donuts, and welcoming remarks
    - 10:30am: Icebreaker
    - 11am: Group Inventory and IGR Report Review
    - 1pm: Events planning and Merchandise
    - 2:30pm: Service workshop
    - 3:30pm: Site session
    - 5pm: Parliamentary Procedure workshop
    - 6pm: Dinner
    - 7:30pm: AA Meeting (off-site)
    - 9:30pm: Boundary Breaking exercise
- 10:30pm: Movie Night
- Sunday 7am: Coffee and AA Meeting (at the house)
- 8:30am: Debrief
- 9am: Group meditation session
- 9:30am: House clean-up
- 10:30am: Departure
  - Sleeps 13, so we may want to bring sleeping bags and air mattresses, if more people. "Lots of bodies in one room—always interesting."
  - Skiing nearby – could make a day of it Sunday
  - Audrey added it's pet-friendly!
- Motion to accept report, seconded, passed 16-0-1

5. Announcements
   a. Center City Young People’s 27th Anniversary Party will be Wednesday, November 20, 2013, 7-9pm, food, fun, fellowship, 3 speakers
   b. Please give Graeson any and all old merchandise
   c. Jen announced ICYPAA University – first webinar is Sunday, November 10, at 4pm (Mike offered to host, see Facebook for his address)

6. 7th Tradition

7. Old Business
   None

8. New Business
   a. Pollyanna Gift Exchange for Holidays (Dianna)
      
      Motion: To hold a Pollyanna Gift Exchange at our December 1 meeting; seconded.
      
      - Discussion: Gifts must be $2 or less and start with the letter C (letter and names drawn from hat). Dianna will email those not in attendance today to see if they want to participate.
      - Motion to accept, seconded, passed 16-0-1
   b. Service Opportunities (Carolyn)
      
      - Reminder of the underlying goal of bidding for ICYPAA is to be of service. This is our primary purpose and the most important element.
      - Area 60 (Western PA) should be contacted and involved.
      - Florida and Texas, while state bids, involved many cities and Areas.
      - Skype or Google Hangout with members from across Pennsylvania?
- Area 45 (South Jersey) – Alex is on their committee as YPAA Liaison and announced the 50th anniversary convention will be in 2014; he will explore opportunities for involvement
- Temporary Contact Sub-Committee under Prisons Committee could use our support for letter writing to inmates who are AA members – could the Bid Committee get involved there?

c. Elections

Corrections & Treatment Facilities Liaison
Amanda stands; candidate qualifies by giving service resume → Amanda elected by acclamation; passed.

Amanda will explore Temporary Contact service opportunities.

Prisons Committee: 1st Thursdays at 7pm at SEPIA
Treatment Facilities: 3rd Mondays at 7pm at SEPIA

d. Other service positions read aloud; no one stands. Available positions include:

- Co-Treasurer
- Secretary
- Co-Secretary
- Events Co-Chair
- Outreach Co-Chair
- Bid Presentation Chair
- Audio/Visual Liaison to Site
- Web Co-Chair
- Graphics Chair
- Transportation Chair
- Podcast/Video/Recording Chair
- Intergroup (SEPIA) Liaison
- Non-English Speaking Liaison
- National/International YPAA Outreach Liaison
- Literature/Grapevine/La Viña Chair
- LGBTQ Liaison
- Al-Anon Liaison
- Accessibility/Special Needs Liaison

9. **Next meeting: Sunday, December 1, 2013 at 12 p.m. at 4021 Club**

10. Meeting closed at 12:56 p.m. (EDT) with reading from 12x12 and Responsibility Statement (Carolyn)