

BCGSM Minutes 3/20/2024

1) Service Sponsorship report-Adam S one new GRS and one new alternative

The new DCMs, alt DCMs, GSRs & alt GSRs

Name

Group or District

A) David GSR Sheepshead Bay

B) Alt GSR Trisha Gerritsen Beach

1st step- David GSR Sheepshead Bay

1st tradition- Alt GSR Trisha Gerritsen Beach

1st concept- Joe (in the room)

Daily Reflection, 3/20/2024- Vera New Young Generation GSR

2) Officer Reports

B) Secretary report-Mac -Are there any amendments to the minutes that were emailed out? (fix Brooklyn inter group not New York)

C) Treasury report -Graeme Mc-Motion to accept, 2nd, vote y 5 room/16 zoom n 0 abst 2

a. Switch to quicken books

b. Presented to group and zoom room

c. Addendum – Long Island Spiritual Meeting (we will only have to pay \$800 and other groups will be paying the \$800 to us but we may have to from the money)

d. Adam question about insurance was it the premium for the year?

D) Alt DCMC report-Eddie D

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1. Attended NERAASA & helped with Spanish Translation
2. Attended bilingual Corrections Workshop on 3/3 (Long Island)
3. Attended SENY Convention & helped with Spanish Translation

E) DCMC report-Charlene B

- a. NERAASA was a great opportunity to network with other DCMCs & DCMs to strategize service problems, “how to attract DCMs & redistricting” as well as “new tech possibilities, how to use chat to communicate by both text & email” “how to attract people into service on virtual platforms”
- b. SENY Convention this past weekend.
 - i. The DCMC volunteered as a greeter Friday night,
 - ii. spoke at the alkathon,
 - iii. on a panel for a workshop on sponsorship & spent a few hours in the archives to fill in for Bill H, who was unable to attend.
 - iv. Working with the planning GSO Conference committee for hospitality tours.
 - v. Planning lots of fun activities for the delegates plus ones the week of April 14th to 19th. If you would like to know more about it email at dcmc@brooklynaa.org. Any costs for events will be out of pocket.
 - vi. The AA Historical Book Club has finished “Writing The Big Book”. No other books are under consideration at this time. It was a lot of fun & the detailed history was very informative. (highly recommended it)
 - vii. Our DCMC is available to speak on Traditions and Concepts and help with group inventories.
 - viii. Will be visiting Spanish speaking groups and Young Person Groups

3) Q & A on the Delegate’s Questionnaire

On aaseny.org “Under the Delegate” Please use the Typeform if possible, to submit your answers. It makes it much easier for Jo Ann to tabulate them. Materials from the presentations are also available. Some suggestions for Group Service Representatives (GSR’s):

Talk to your group to schedule a separate meeting or dictated business for your group members to discuss the agenda items and answer the questionnaire. Please understand the importance of your group's voice. Only registered GSR’s can submit the questionnaire. Questionnaires from individual members will not be accepted. The deadline to submit by Typeform, email, clear photo snapshots or in person will be April 6, 2024. The deadline for postal mail will be April 4, 2024.

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We will have our Pre-Conference Assembly on April 6, 2024, and each GSR will have the opportunity to share about their group's experience with the questionnaire. The conference starts on April 14, 2024, and I will need time to review all questionnaires before it starts.

Any Question? you can email Jo Ann at delegate@aaseny.org or Charlene dcmc@brooklynaa.org.

Elizabeth C. GSR Women in the Sprit – Question about the picture referred to Delegate delegate@aaseny.org.

Jaye N, GSR, Old Park Slope – the Delegate will do the reading and form there opinion on it.

Steve U Alt GSR Garden Variety Alt – once again question about the plan language literature there are profession work do the translation and then review by delegate

JD in the room delay internet broad cast of the flag ceremony nothing about what plat form it will be view on—none yet referred to delegate

4) Old Business

A) Committee Chairs Needed

i. Grapevine

- a. Maintain a county email
- b. Sell Grapevine literature at BCGS events at LISTS & BCSAD
- c. Purchase & maintain stock (it can be kept in storage)
- d. Kelly M Volunteered

ii. Junction Editor

- a. Write and/or ask others to write articles for the Junction (it is a minimum 2-page newsletter)
- b. Place flyers on the classified page to people know what events are coming up

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- c. Produce a Junction to coincide with county meetings 5 times a year: January, March, May, September & November
- d. Maintain a county email
- e. **No volunteers still looking let your groups know!**

iii. Literature

- a. Maintain a county email
- b. Sell literature at BCGS events such as LISTS & BCSAD
- c. Purchase & maintain stock (it can be kept in storage)
- d. **No volunteers still looking let your groups know!**

iv. NYIG Liaison

- a. Go to SENY intergroup monthly meeting, 3rd Sunday of the month from 2-4pm, on Zoom
- b. Report back all information to BCGSM
- c. Report BCGS events to the SENY meeting
- d. Maintain a county email
- e. Trisha volunteered

B) Raising the BCGS prudent reserve to 10K-Graeme y R(5)Z(22) n 0 abst.R(1)Z(1) (R = Room/Z = Zoom)

- i. Raising the reserved from \$2,500.00 to \$10,000.00
- ii. Room – we should be entitled to reason operations account
- iii. Room – JD what would be the actual number
- iv. Discussion about the 10k operating fund and prudent reserve original amendment withdrawn
- v.

C) SENY Convention Bus Report

- a. There are 56 seats on the bus & only 32 tickets sold/ 1 given away with 23 empty seats, leaving Brooklyn County to pay \$720.
- b. Last year we sold out
- c. This year had to raise the price.

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d. Discussion about sharing bus with Manhattan.

5) New Business

A) Form an ad hoc committee to look at the current districts & lack of DCMs. What would it look like to form clusters or expand districts to need less DCMs. There are currently 14 districts, including 2 clusters (districts 401,403 & 411; 400 & 402). Queens reduced their districts down to 8. 410 & 404, 407 & 409, 413 & 408, 405 & 406, 412 as is because it has about 20 meetings

B) Communication- Is it better to have a few long emails or shorter emails?

C) Air table (out of date)

D) Reach out to the groups

E) Start a committee

F) Educating people about GSR and DCM

G) 6 against room 11 zoom no and 6 in zoom yes

6) Standing Committee Reports – in the interest of time please keep your report to 3 minutes or less, 5mins for BCSAD please email a copy of your report to secretary@brooklynaa.org for the minutes

a. Accessibilities-Liv M

Liv is currently organizing a safety panel for a group who had concerns and questions. If any other group is interested in having a similar meeting, contact me and we can make it happen! Working on tailoring this to the specific needs of this meeting. Liv can be reached at accessibilities@brooklynaa.org

b. Archives-Bill H

Brooklyn County was represented at the SENY Convention. You were unable to attend & I filled in for you. The updated SENY history book is now available in PDF. Hard copies are \$2 & will be available at Share A Day. PDFs will be emailed to the body soon.

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- c. CPC-David-U
- d. Corrections-JayDee D – JaydeeDBKAA@gmail.com
 - a. trying to get meeting to juveniles and other correction facilities.
 - b. Correspondence with prisoner
 - c.
- e. Email Chair-John S
- f. BIG Liaison-Joe L (Brooklyn Intergroup) – please asking group to send reps to Brooklyn intergroup. March 2m d have 4th consecutive speaker exchange and the 5th on may occur in St. Patrick. VICECHAIR@BIGAA.org need people please contact.
- g. NYIG

NYIG is accepting nominees for the big meeting on Saturday, June 1st at 1pm at All Souls Church UES. Speakers must be an A.A. Member with one continuous year of sobriety and have a Home Group within the five boroughs or Westchester County. Former Big Meeting Guest Speakers do not qualify for nomination. Nominated speakers will be required to give their qualification to the Speaker Selection Committee. Final speakers will be notified by phone and must sign a consent form to have their story audio taped at the Big Meeting if taping is to occur. Deadline to submit is May 1, 2024. For more info go to nyintergroup.org.

- h. LISTS (EDDY)
 - i. Continued to meet monthly with LISTS Committee.
Event has been confirmed for Saturday May 11th.
 - ii. Will visit Brooklyn County Hispanic District last Sunday of the month to invite them to LISTS.
 - iii. Working on final topics for roundtables.
 - iv. Will send request to DCMCs for 2 speakers from each participating county (Brooklyn, Queens, Nassau & Suffolk)
 - v. Jaydee agreed to be hospitality chair and will start list to secure volunteers (NEED VOLUNTEERS!)
to help set up, serve food, clean up.
 - vi. Received checks of \$800 each from Nassau, Suffolk, Queens County.
 - vii. Flyer will be up soon on Bk website and an email blast to follow.

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Viii. Look for two people to do a skit for this year about how someone found their way into the program. Also a comedian who can do 15 on service.

- i. Public Information-James S --
- j. BCSAD-Deborah L – the website had the wrong name of the school and will be corrected. Will start at 8am (free lunch and snack and coffee) will also not have childcare because of insurance issues.
 - a. Groups can send money though website but mark as specifically for share-a-day
 - b. Planning meeting and information can be found on the website
- k. Treatment-Labe – no report
- l. Webchair-Cathy M

6) **DCM Reports-** in the interest of time please keep your report to 3 minutes or less, please email a copy of your report to secretary@brooklynaa.org for the minutes

- i. 403-David – N/A
- ii. 405-Ronnie – six out of eight have GSR, groups doing well meeting online and in person. Tying to do a tradition workshop June 9
- iii. 410-Elise – just had meeting 2nd weds every month all groups have GSR and have active communication and meeting.

- 1. District 410 meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 6:45 at Queen of All Saints church (300 Vanderbilt)

- iv. 412-Vicky 1st meeting in early March several ideas 4th of July meeting

7) **GSR Reports** (please report changes to your group or upcoming events & parties) - please email a report to secretary@brooklynaa.org

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Group

Information

A) ADAM GRS

B) Geroge GRS WEEKVILLE in person Monday now

Motion to close-Second meeting closed 9:19pm

SIGN IN SHEET

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