

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of NYCMA, June 25, 2008
GMHC, Room 405

Attendees: Richard V., David, Bruce C., Jesus, George T., Peter, Mike, Carmine, Jorje, Karen, Jim F., Jim H., Jeff G., Harley, Scott, Rob, Jon N., Ken, John W.

Jeff G., Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:53pm, after determining that 14 voting members were present.

A motion to table approval of past minutes of NYCMA regular monthly meetings in 2008 until the July 2008 regular monthly meeting, was approved.

Jim F., Treasurer, presented the treasurer's report, which was approved.

Harley, Structure and Finance Chair, stated that all pertinent documentation has been completed so that NYCMA can now proceed to officially file for 503C status, twelve (12) months ahead of schedule.

Bruce C., representing the Literature Committee, reported that the revised version of the new pamphlet "Sex in Sobriety" will appear in the next newsletter. World CMA is revising pamphlets and creating a CMA book; more on this at World CMA in October 2008. The soft-cover book Expressions of Hope may be updated and possibly expanded.

Carmine, GSO, reported that the Mid-Atlantic Regional Assembly in Philadelphia on June 7, 2008 was a resounding success with over 60 in attendance from the New York, Philadelphia, and Washington, D.C. areas. The Mid-Atlantic Regional Assembly will be held in Washington, D.C. in 2009. Carmine also presented attendees with spiral bound copies of the NYCMA By-Laws.

Ken, Publicity Chair, reported some confusion from callers to NYCMA regarding the meaning of "open" and "closed" as presently stated on the NYCMA meeting list. Extensive discussion with numerous opinions followed. A motion to list CMA meetings with "o" and "c", rather than "open" and "closed" was approved. A motion to move "o" and "c" to the top of the meeting list was NOT approved. Mike will ask the NYCMA webmaster to make these changes.

Harley, Share-a-Day Chair, reported an initial meeting of the Share-a-Day Committee which included discussion of workshops. A potential keynote speaker has also been identified.

NEW BUSINESS: After discussion, a motion to double the NYCMA rental contribution from \$190 to \$380, was approved. Jon N. reported that GMHC is closing its location on West 25th Street, Manhattan, in 12 - 18 months. Available, affordable meeting space in Chelsea is fairly scarce. After discussion, Bruce C. made a motion that a committee be set up to identify and investigate potential meeting sites, preferably in Chelsea. This motion was approved. A motion also was approved to elect Jon N. as Chair of this new

committee. A motion to elect Peter as Chair of a new committee to plan social activities for CMA was also approved. After discussion, Ken made a motion to refer creating a new Vice Chair position to the Structure and Finance Committee. This motion was approved. There was discussion of the continuing absence of the Hospitals and Institutions Chair, including Article XI, p. 9 of the NYCMA By-Laws. Jeff G. will again try to contact the Hospitals and Institutions Chair.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was approved at 9:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim H., Secretary