

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of NYCMA.. January 28, 2009
GMHC, 12th floor Cafeteria

Attendees: Carmine N, Eddie S, Conan C, Richard H, Petr P, Bruce C, John S, Jim F, Tommy B, Robert B, Jim R, Gavin W, Jorje C, Jeremiah __, Joe D, Rob M, Eddie P, Jeff G, Michael m, Leonardo __, Michael A, Billy V, Harley M, Richard V, Marc E, Kevin J, George T, John T, Rob S

Carmine N, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:51pm. Jim H, Secretary, identified 21 voting members present, thus constituting a quorum. Carmine N., as Chair, stated that 50% of this initial quorum of 21, or 11, would be the quorum for future meetings in 2009.

The minutes of the December 3, 2008 regular monthly meeting were approved.

Richard H, Treasurer, presented the 2009 budget, incorporating the 2008 budget categories and allocations. A motion was approved to table the 2009 budget, pending review by committee chairs, then receiving their recommendations. A motion to allocate \$6,200 for Share-a-Day 2009 was approved.

Jim F, Structure and Finance Chair, reported that the federal filing for NYCMA's 501(c)(3) status should happen in February 2009.

In the absence of Eric S, Public Information Chair, Harley M, Public Information Officer, noted that Eric S has relocated, and needs to be replaced. There was discussion as to whether or not the two current elected positions in Public Information are necessary. It was determined that an election to fill the position of Public Information Chair will be held at the February 25th regular monthly meeting, and this vacancy should be announced at individual CMA meetings.

Bruce C, Literature Chair, reported that the pamphlets "Sex in Sobriety" and "Alcohol and Other Drugs" are available online at the nycma.org website. The Literature Committee is looking for an available graphic designer. Pamphlets that have been produced by our Literature Committee in the past will be replaced by the corresponding pamphlet produced by CMA World at the time that they are available from CMA World.

Michael A, Activities Chair, reported a \$73.45 profit on the January "Priscilla, Queen of the Desert" movie night. Another movie night, "The Women" is scheduled for March 7th, and the second CMA sober dance is scheduled for March 28th. The goal of activities thus planned is for each event to "break even."

Conan C, GSO, reported that CMA World would like NYCMA to bid to host the CMA World annual meeting in either 2009 or 2010. There was significant interest and support expressed, to prepare a bidding proposal to host this event. Conan will arrange to meet with all interested parties to work on this proposal.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Michael M was elected as the new Secretary for NYCMA. A motion to allow the Treasurer discretionary authority to sign checks for up to \$50 was approved. A motion to allow the Literature Committee to post pamphlets on the nycma.org website and to post scripts of existing meetings, generic sample scripts, and readings, was approved. A motion allocating \$1,000 to print pamphlets, was approved. A motion to allocate \$500 for advertising in HX magazine was approved. A motion to allocate \$388 to the Activities Committee was approved. A motion for NYCMA to apply to host World CMA, was approved.

After a period of discussion, it was determined that John S, Hospitals and Institutions Chair, may use the World CMA interim H&I guidelines to implement planning and procedures here.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Jim H, Secretary