**NEW YORK CRYSTAL METH ANONYMOUS**

**INTERGROUP MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 2017**

ATTENDEES: Alex P. (Attendee), Alexander R. (GSR Alternate - Harlem Renaissance), Bob O. (Literature Coordinator), Bruce C. (GSR Alternate – Beginner’s Meeting), Carl L. (Vice Chair), Chris H. (Activities Chair), David B. (Share-a-Day Chair), David H. (GSR - Promises Meeting), David M. (Literature Co-Chair), Glenn L. (Secretary), Gustavo G. (GSR – Book Study Meeting), Jeffrey L. (Literature Co-Chair), Joey D. (Public Information Officer), Justin E. (GSR – Solutions in Recovery), Ken D. (GSR Alternate – Beginner’s Basics), Michael C. (Treasurer), Michael L. (GSR Coordinator), Noam P. (GSR – New Tooles), Robert R. (Delegate), Ross H. (Chair), Scott W. (GSR – CMA Agnostics), Thomas R. (GSR – Steps Meeting), Wayne K. (GSR Alternate – Living with HIV), Wiafe M.B. (Delegate), Will G. (Attendee)

Meeting called to order: 7:30 PM

Introductions

Reading of “What is CMA”

Reading of “Twelve Traditions,” "About NYCMA" & Purpose Statement

Quorum Met:  **23** voting members at 7:35 pm (Quorum = 9)

**MINUTES**: Motion to approve the February 2017 meeting minutes with one amendment.

Approved at 7:40 pm.

**REPORTS:**

**TREASURER (Michael C.)**

* Reviewed March 2017 Treasurer’s Report.
* Reported that all requested budgets were fulfilled with the current NYCMA FY17 P&L, but noted that unexpected increases for Share-a-Day may require other committees to pull back a bit on expenses.
* Created a separate Venmo account for NYCMA, intended only for receiving money.

PayPal Balance: $351.69

TD Bank Balance: $10,745.35

Total Balance: $1,097.04

Prudent Reserve $1,800.00

Total Cash Available: $9,297.04

MOTION TO APPROVE TREASURER’S REPORT

MOTION PASSES

**STRUCTURE AND FINANCE (Bruce W. absent, report read by Glenn L.)**

* Reviewed the Treasurer’s budget numbers and balance, and confirmed their accuracy.

**PUBLIC INFORMATION AND OUTREACH CHAIR and OFFICER (Joey D., Bernard B. absent)**

* Four (4) meeting inquires came through info@nycma.org this month. All were answered. Connected one of the newcomers with Jose M., and that person went to his first two meetings the prior week.
* Missed the monthly PI&O World meeting in March but will attend the one in April.
* Following increased GSR announcements, have received 4 inquiries about helping with the CMA World hotline. Two of the inquiries were directed to CMA World. Noted that one year of continuous sobriety is required to sign-up to do phone service.
* Upcoming museum fellowship activities have been listed on the NYCMA.org site. They are now visible on the homepage sidebar.

HOSPITAL AND INSTITUTIONS (Kevin E.)

* A group visited Arms Acres on Saturday, March 25th.
* Still looking for speakers for the April St. Christopher’s meeting in Garrison, NY.
* Followed-up with Hazleden Tribeca. They are not interested in having H&I CMA meetings, but they potentially have space we could use for a meeting if we think the location would work (West Broadway just below Canal Street).

**LITERATURE CO-CHAIRS (Jeffrey L – David M., absent)**

* Publication date for the next Crystal Clear newsletter currently slated for Spring 2017.

**LITERATURE COORDINATOR (Bob O.)**

* Took in $307.30 in sales since last report with purchases of literature and chips.

**GSR COORDINATOR (Michael L.)**

* GSR announcements for regular meetings and monthly business meetings were distributed for March.
* Has been working on rolling expired and new announcements on and off more consistently.
* Noted that NYCMA meetings that did not currently have a GSR included Good Morning Higher Power, NA Book Study, Conscious Contact, Sex in Sobriety, Saturday Solutions and Sunday Solutions.

**ACTIVITIES CHAIR (Chris H.)**

* Secured 12/16 for the 2017 holiday party at Metro Baptist Church. Added an hour so that the event goes through midnight. This year’s party will have a luau theme.
* Working with David F on a series of museum outings.
* Working on a movie night for Friday, April 28th for fellows who aren’t going to Spring Clearance and offering free tickets to those who need financial help with admission.
* Other activities being researched include day trips to Fire Island and other beaches, bootcamp-style workout classes and tickets to a baseball game.

**VICE CHAIR (Carl L.)**

* March anniversary meeting held on Monday 3/6 at GMHC. Tried an alternate meeting layout without tables which seemed to work well. Replaced cake with cupcakes which are easier to purchase nearby and don’t require plates and utensils.
* April anniversary meeting scheduled for Monday 4/3 at The Center.

**GENERAL SERVICE OFFICER (Jono M. absent (report from Wiafe M.B.)**

* MARCMA (Mid-Atlantic Regional CMA) 2017 scheduled for Saturday, July 22nd in Washington D.C. from 12 noon to 6 pm.
* The CMA World General Service Conference is November 9-12 at the Hilton Garden Inn, City Center in Philadelphia, PA.
* CMA World H&I is working on a new handbook. They are also looking for written or audio (recorded) stories with a particular focus on those who have been incarcerated.
* An article about recovery that was written by a newcomer appeared in a magazine, was picked up by social media and then went viral. The article specifically discussed CMA, so the fellows from that area talked with the newcomer about the Traditions and the principle of anonymity as it applies to all media. The newcomer received the feedback positively.

**SHARE-A-DAY (David B.)**

* A potential new location fell through, so still looking for an appropriate space. Requirements include one large room, four simultaneous classroom spaces, eating room space, food prep space and a lobby area for registration
* Event is currently scheduled for Saturday, October 7, 2017.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Ken D. reported on his progress in assessing feasibility of an additional NYCMA dance event in 2017. Reported that The Center does not allow dances, but he has found other options at roughly $500 for 4 hours.

**NEW BUSINESS**

ELECTIONS FOR NEW MEMBERS OF THE NYCMA BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Alexander R. Elected

Carl L. Elected

Rob R. Elected

Thomas R. Elected

Will G. Elected

MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

Note: NYCMA Board of Directors now has 12 members. The five new members join seven existing members: Bill H., Bruce C., Daniel O., David H., Harold S., Michael C., Ross H.

MOTION TO FORM A COMMITTEE TO TRAIN MEETING CHAIRS AND OTHER INTERESTED NYCMA MEMBERS ON HOW TO CONDUCT BUSINESS MEETINGS. INITIATIVE LED BY MICHAEL C.

MOTION PASSES.

ADJOURN NYCMA at 9:00 PM

NEXT NYCMA MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 2017 AT 7:30 PM AT GMHC.