

## CDCO Steering Committee Minutes

February 10, 2026

**Present:** **Chair:** Chip, **Secretary:** Jill, **Treasurer:** Ken M, **Data Coord:** Gene R, **Literature:** Justyn, **IT/Newsletter:** Ed M, **District 1** - Gretchen, **District 2** - Terry B, **District 3** - Zane, **District 8** - Sherrie, **District 13** – Albert, **Member At Large** - Pat L

**Absent:** **Volunteer Coord:** Jason, **District 9** - Paul, **District 10** – John S, **District 14, 17 & 18** – no representative present, no report

Opened with the Serenity Prayer.

Read the 2nd Tradition.

### **Anniversaries/Announcements/Milestones:**

Chip celebrated 27 years on 2/7 !!!

### **CDCO Chair Report:**

1. - Chip announced District 5 has reached out to CDCO about joining. Ed has spoken with Rob W. of District 5. The District, like many others, isn't completely satisfied with their hotline not being answered by another alcoholic. Ed sent materials to Rob to share at their District meeting later this month.
2. **Speaker Exchange:**
  - District 13 is having their Speaker Exchange Meeting tomorrow prior to their District meeting. Albert will share with Chip how the exchange goes.
3. **HomeGroup Online:**
  - No new news. Gene is now the D-1 Treasurer and will be able to share 1st hand information working with HomeGroup Online.
4. **Bank Account Access:**
  - The email Ken shared shows the bank is referencing the wrong account. This raised the issue of our Literature account also needing to replace Trish with Chip for signing capability. Chip, Ken, Gene and Justyn will set a date/time to meet at Broadview in the very near future to get this taken care of.
5. **Bylaws Revision:**
  - Gene drafted the email to go out to all DCM's. Chip/Chair will be sending those out very soon.
6. **Shoutout to Sherrie**
  - Sherrie shared a video that is very interesting. (Jill, insert link here)

### **Committee Member Reports:**

**Secretary:** [January Minutes](#), no questions on minutes, motion to approve as submitted, 2<sup>nd</sup>d, 10 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained, motion approved.

**Treasurer:** [January Treasurer Report](#), highlights reported, Ken asked what the Blogvault expense is and if it's yearly - Ed reports Blogvault is our back-up service billed yearly and is invaluable to us. Gene asked if we should do an inventory of everything in the office much like we have an inventory of our literature, discussion followed, Chip et al will work on the how and when. Ken, Chip, Gene & Justyn will be taking care of the bank accounts at Broadview. Motion to accept report as written, 2<sup>nd</sup>d, 10 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained, motion approved.

**Literature:** [January Literature Report](#), highlights given, was a good month in sales, sales tax gets paid in March, previously Trish handled the purchase of the cards so we will need to figure that out, a reminder of the price increase on literature from A.A. World Services. Justyn purchased overstock prior to prolong having to raise our prices. Ken asked what the current value of our inventory is. Justyn doesn't keep a running inventory of the associated costs to the office, he will do an inventory with associated catalog costs report. Motion to accept report as written, 2<sup>nd</sup>d, 10 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained, motion approved.

**Data Coord:** [Call Log](#), [Sample Calls](#), report highlights given. A new column has been added that shows how many calls per district are "New to A.A." calls.

**Volunteer Coord:** Jay is absent, no vacant shifts we are aware of. Ed spoke of the 12 Step List he and Jay had been working on. They have 'put it to bed'. Districts are up to speed with updating their lists, the CDCO can address issues that may arise on an individual basis.

**Group Information:** vacant, we do receive notice of events regularly

**IT:** Area 48 had an issue with their web feed for meetings, some may have experienced issues, it has been fixed. Some pages disappeared from our website and Ed was able to restore them by going into the back-up on Blogvault to find them and restore. Our website is holding at 8K - 9K visitors monthly. While this shows a decrease it is actually a more accurate account of visitors. An enhanced filter now filters out multiple visits from the same location/computer/ip address. A lot of work has and will continue to be done on the calendar. Working toward a GSR link for their smartphones to easily access events, etc. instantly.

**Newsletter:** Newsletter went out today to get timely information out. The speaker exchange in District 13 is tomorrow night. Zane asked about a member of his district saying they have signed up for the newsletter several times and are not receiving it. After discussion, he will check w/the person at tonight's District meeting and ask if they

have checked their spam? Gretchen raised the question how do we handle situations like the Valentine's dance flyer that have inappropriate information/language/images, do we contact the person that sent it, what is the process. Gretchen also thanked the CDCO for editing out the reference to being an A.A. event. Ed, Jill and Chip had reached out to the District 1 Secretary who had sent the flyer to us and received no response. Ed attempts to contact and doesn't post unless there is a resolution to the issue. In this case, it was a simple edit that could be made so the flyer could go into the newsletter. Gretchen will follow up with District 1 regarding this.

## **District Reports**

**District 1:** Gretchen introduced herself as the incoming DCM. There are still 5 open positions, most notably the Treasurer. She is encouraging a sponsee to look into the web tech chair position and asked about support for that position. Ed gave the monthly Area Tech Committee information and shared they recently started a subcommittee that will meet once a month to learn/share/mentor/etc with the goal of reducing the turn over of the position. Something should be coming out this month regarding this. Chip is looking forward to your NERAASA report!

**District 2:** Terry reports the movie night, "When a Man Loves a Woman", went well, next movie night will be in the spring. Bowling league has started, still a few openings. Orientation day, hosted by Districts 2, 1 & 18 went well. 2026 SuperBowl party well attended, +/- 90 people. District still has the LCM & Accessibility Chair positions open. Treatment, both men & women, report the meetings going into Rensselaer Cty jail are going well.

**District 3:** Zane reports District still has the Young People, Accessibility & PI Chair positions open, Delegates Day of Sharing on March 28th will be in District 3 at Gallagher's. The district has purchased the recording of the Old Timers Panel from the convention. The District's only womens meeting is suspended until May 1st. The Windham Sunday Night meeting will not be held on 2/15/2026 and the Windham Mountain Top Serenity Meeting will not be held on 2/18/2026.

**District 8:** Sherrie reports all District positions are people new to the positions, they're still working out the kinks, their District meeting is hybrid, the last meeting they tried 3 separate links, none of which worked so no report to give on that. District is hosting a "Back to Basics" workshop in April, details to follow. District DCM is also attending NERAASA. Corrections in Delaware & Schoharie County going well. Used to have 2 -3 meetings a week go into Osego County Jail, district was well established. The Osego Cty jail is now utilizing 'Friends In Recovery' to bring the meetings in.

**District 9:** absent, no report

**District 10:** have a new COR, there was a communication issue, unable to attend.

**District 13:** Albert reports District meeting is tomorrow night, prior to meeting the Speaker Exchange will be held, Albert will fill Chip in on how it goes. District still has 6 positions open, they are looking to change the Alt DCM/Functions Chair in their service manual to separate into two positions hoping it will help fill them and keep people in the positions. DCM is having difficulty filling positions, no one standing for service. The DCM is also going to NERAASA. Newsletter wasn't done, no idea why. Regarding the monthly GSR Forum the Area holds, they had a Corrections Chair give a short presentation, very well received.

**District 14, 17 & 18:** no representative, no report

**New Business:**

1. Secretary will find and resend the COR email to District 14, 17 & 18.
2. Jill will be attending NERAASA.  
Chip asked about possible reimbursement to offset some of the costs.  
Discussion: Gretchen made a good point that meals shouldn't be reimbursed, they are optional. She also gave \$600 - \$700 as the range NERAASA may cost to attend if one is traveling from NY based on her known costs and estimated travel expenses. Jill can submit after NERAASA for committee to discuss.
3. Homework assignment for all from Chip:  
Be prepared to share your response to the following at next meeting:  
***If you had \$1000 to spend to promote A.A., how would you spend it?***

**Old Business: (not addressed, added to running agenda items list)**

1. Fred sent an email with the following proposal, tabled to February. *I do want to submit a proposal for consideration. As a gesture of thanks and appreciation to all the volunteers , both night owls and office workers (and, of course, the steering committee) I propose we give to each volunteer a free book of their choosing from our inventory on their sober date.*

2. CDCO Reserve Optimization – will discuss at February meeting.

Motion to close the meeting, 2nd'd, passed.

Closed with the Responsibility pledge.

Next meeting will be on March 10 th!

Respectfully submitted,

Jill S/CDCO Secretary