

**Minutes**  
**Erie Area Central Committee**  
**Meeting Date: 3/5/2024**

The meeting was opened by Rick at 7:30 leading us in the Serenity Prayer.

Readings: Preamble was read by Jan, the Twelve Steps were read by Chris, the Traditions were read by Leslie, the Pruposes were read by Terri, and the Declaration of Unity was read by Rosanna

**New Members:** Elizabeth, Kerri

- **Visitors:** N/A
- **Secretary's Report: Reports** were printed. Motion to accept February 2024 minutes by Terri; seconded by Jeff All in favor.
- **Treasurer's Report:** Reports were distributed prior. Motion to accept February 2024 reports by Terri; Leslie seconded. All in favor.

**Committee Report**

- **Jails:** Leslie was present. Meetings continue at Erie County Prison. There are 2 teams of women and 1 team of men, a second group of men would be nice. If anything is going to happen at Cambridge Springs it will have to be Erie County, there is no help from Crawford County.
- **Answering Service:** Eric was not present. All is going well. The current bill is \$148.06. There is 1 new volunteer added to the list.
- **Meeting Schedules:** Colin was present. New Schedules are printed and available. Updates to Live and Let Live and Westside have been captured.
- **Activities:** Terri was present. An RFQ was sent out for "Silent Disco" \$479 for 50 headsets and a DJ. A recommendation was made to try to schedule this for after a picnic that runs later into the evening.
  - We are actively recruiting new chairs and event chairs for Old Timers and Anniversary Dinner.
  - Jeff will start recruiting a co-chair for golf scramble. Flyers are posted, new time.
- **Public Information:** Rosanna was present. The second workshop is Saturday March 9<sup>th</sup>. A test run was completed to work out bugs for the hybrid presentation. She has talked to both districts for focuses. Penn West is holding a Health Service event on April 17<sup>th</sup>. Rosanna will determine what literature and pamphlets will be available.
- **Treatment Facilities:** Margie was not present. Rehabs are going great, and a lot of people are stepping up to help out.
- **Detox:** Pete M. was not present.
- **Literature:** Chris C. was present.
- **Website:** Brian was present. Michael will learn about the website.
- **Twelve Step:** Diane was not present.

**Old Business**

**8/1/2023:** Rick has reached out to district chairs about what should be centralized/decentralized. Brian, Terri, and Rick will speak together with chairs. **9/5/2023:** September 27 and October 11 are tentative dates. Leslie will join.

**10/3/2023:** Potential proposed committees that perhaps may make sense to have most efforts occur in the district, rather than in the Central Committee:

- Jails
- Public Information #1

- 12 Step Committee – getting meetings to sick and homebound.
- Treatment Facilities

*High level support from Central Committee could exist, but an estimated 95%+ of the work would occur in the districts.*

- **11/7/2023: Districts** agree with the proposal. Potential for transition will take a considerable amount of time to do properly.

**11/7/2023: Several** service positions will be coming due for rotation of service. Rick as Chair, Brian as Treasurer, Colin as Meeting Schedules. 1/2/24: Nominations will be in March for these openings. 3/5/2024: Jeff has been nominated for Chair, he has accepted. Eric has been nominated for Treasurer; he will think it over. Tahia was nominated for Meeting Schedules; she was not present to acknowledge.

**12/5/23: Activities** - we need something else to do. Talk to the younger members to get involved in putting on another event. A survey will be put on the Facebook page. There are large groups of younger members that will want to have fun.... Quarterly. 3/5/2024: Terri has been wooing younger members to become active with Central Committee 2/6/2024: Halloween Trunk or Treat. Each home group could have a car. Coffee and doughnuts could be provided. Prizes for best decorations. Chris C. will look into Grace Harbor Creek for a location. 3/5/2024: Chris reached out to Grace Harbor Creek and has not received a response.

**New Business**

3/5/2024: Findley Lake Women’s retreat is looking for help with funding. The cost has risen tremendously since COVID. There is a struggle getting new women to be able to attend. There are concerns that this would be a violation of Tradition 6, it was suggested to reach out to GSO. A vote was proposed and denied. Suggestions were made to: hold 50/50 raffles in support of the retreat, ask home groups for donations, old timers to help sponsor or contribute.

3/5/2024: Budget review

There was a motion to close the meeting by Jeff, seconded by Terri; The meeting was closed with all joining in the Lord’s Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris C.

**Attendees:**

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| 1. Brian   | 14. Elizabeth |
| 2. Rick    |               |
| 3. Colin   |               |
| 4. Eric    |               |
| 5. Rosanna |               |
| 6. Jeff    |               |
| 7. Terri   |               |
| 8. Jane    |               |
| 9. Leslie  |               |
| 10. Chris  |               |
| 11. Chris  |               |
| 12. Mike   |               |
| 13. Kerri  |               |