

APPROVED BY MGS BODY NOVEMBER 28, 2023

Minutes Manhattan General Service Meeting September 19, 2023 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM

Officers in attendance:

DCMC - Justin K.

Alternate DCMC - James T.

Treasurer - Brenda V.

Registration Chair - Hillel H.

Committee Chairs in attendance

Manhattan Share A Day - Tom

Parliamentarian : Keith P.

Meeting opened at 6:30 PM by DCMC

Open with Preamble

Reading of Manhattan General Service Statement of Purpose :

Statement of Purpose: The purpose of the organization is to serve the needs of the AA groups within its geographic area and act as a constituent part of the Southeastern New York (SENY) Area 49 Committee and Assembly.

Introduction of New GSRs, Alternates, and our Parliamentarian.

Explanation of Voting Procedures (*from the Manhattan General Service By Laws*)

Quorum - A quorum may conduct all MGSM business and approve all financial expenditures.

The quorum for MGSM shall consist of the following: The meeting Chairperson, who can only be the currently elected DCMC, Alt-DCMC, or Registrar; At least one other elected officer; Recording Secretary A Treasurer, who may be-appointed if necessary; *At least thirteen additional voting members, as specified in Article VIII, paragraph 3. (Article XI) (Emphasis Added)*

The voting members of MGSM shall consist of: The officers of MGSM The DCMs The GSRs Alternate DCMs (only if the district's DCM is not present) Alternate GSRs (only if the group's GSR is not present). Article III, Paragraph 3

Parliamentarian confirmed the presence of a quorum

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Review of Voting Procedures and other household matters

The voting members of MGSM are the MGSM officers, DCMs and GSRs. Alternatives (with the exception of the alt-DCMC do not vote unless their primary is absent.) Check the participant list for your primary and do not vote if your primary is present.

Like SENY, MGSM uses a loose form of Robert's Rules of Order. Raise your virtual hand to be acknowledged by the chair for all motions, discussion, objections and abstentions. There will be a 5 minute limitation on the Chair, 3 minute limitation on the MGSM Officers and 2 minute limitation on the other Trusted Servants.

MGSM May 16, 2023 accepted without correction or modification

Officer/Committee reports :

Alternate DCMC - James T.
Registration Chair - Hillel
Manhattan Share A Day

Treasurer's Report (Brenda) - the treasurer reported on the finances of the County noting that we will be lowering our expenses for Zoom and listing the groups that have given to the county since January 1, 2023. (see attachments)

In discussion of the Treasurer's report some GSRs indicated that their groups have given to the County but it was not reflected in the documentation presented. The treasurer encouraged GSRs to check with their Group's treasurers and report back to her via email. Our treasurer indicated that some group treasurers may have made contributions without indicating the contributions were made on behalf of the group.

A request was made that the treasurer's reports be transmitted in advance of the next County meeting. The treasurer acknowledged that in the past we have sent them in advance, this week has just been unusually busy.

Treasurer's Report Accepted via motion.

DCMC - Justin

MGS Potluck Picnic in the Pinetum Report

District/Committee Reports

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District 601 - all is going well, attendance remains an issue. The District is planning to have a writing workshop in the coming months for those interested in submitting stories to Grapevine and other publications.

District 602 - recently just had their meeting and all is fine. The DCM also requested that anyone interested in doing tech work should get in contact with him.

District 605/608 - the SENY Corrections Chair recently met with the district and they will work together on building up a corps of meeting coordinators/speakers etc. for the Edgecombe facility or any others for that matter. The district is going to start attending the monthly archives committee again to regroup and work on our proposed topic of digitalization and/or the history of corrections in AA.

District 618 - We had a successful CPC panel during the Manhattan Share a Day! We had our first meeting back from the summer in September and we're happy to welcome new GSRs to the fold.

District 620 - they are preparing for their Sixth Annual District Speaker Dinner and Dance at St. Phillips Episcopal Church on 134th Street. Our Area Delegate will be speaking and there will be food, fun and dancing.

7th Tradition Break

Old Business (none)

New Business

Motion adopted to use the excess supplies from Manhattan Share-A-Day for the Potluck Picnic.

Close meeting with Declaration of Unity

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Additional Attendees:

Ian	GSR	Ninth Avenue
Sharon R	GSR	New But West
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Colleen G.	GSR	Grand Central Group
Darrell B.	GSR	Midnite Group
DJ Derrick James	DCM	District 602
Jenna	GSR	SOS
Karen	GSR	Oxford Group
Abbey D.	GSR	Chelsea Mornings
Melissa	GSR	Broadway at 96
Frances P	DCM	District 618
Paul G	GSR	Chelsea Nooners
Bill Mac	DCM	District 601
Natalie B	GSR	79th Street Workshop
Mindy K	(sub. GSR)	I'm All In Group
Tom F	GSR	KISS Group
Rob W	GSR	Pax Online
George B.	DCM	District 620
Ezra W	GSR	Youth Enjoying Sobriety
Paul F.	GSR	Atlantic Group
Alex B	GSR	Hell's Kitchen Group
Meghan	GSR	Morningside Heights Beginners Group
Brooke T	GSR	Women's Conscious Contact Group

Germaine R	GSR	Powerless Group
Elizabeth M	GSR	Now You Understand Group
John M	DCM	District 605/608
Ray S	GSR	7:30 AM Exchange Views
Annie F	GSR	I'm All In (Listening Only)
Mark L	GSR	12th Street Workshop
Sam Z	GSR	Young and Wise
Jeremiah	GSR	3 and 11 Group
Larry S	GSR	Potpourri Group
Dawn W	Alt-DC M	District 620