

APPROVED

1. Call to Order: 9:15 AM by Connie D.
2. Moment of Silence and then the Serenity Prayer by all.
3. Traditions: read by Kari D5
4. Concepts: read by Sue D22
5. Welcome and information items:
 - a) Barb Serenity Calendars are available for \$7.
 - b) George M. D8 has 50/50 raffle tickets
 - c) George Group Records there are sheets on back table , need email addresses
 - d) Summer the DR luncheon will be in this room.
 - e) 2 minute rule is in effect. 1x per topic. Line up at mic.
 - f) Motions from the floor need to be in writing and given to secretary.
 - g) New DRs and GRs

DRs: Walt S. D15	
Linda A. D5	
GRs: Mary D19	
Debbie D19	Charlotte D6
? D19	Dolly D6
Kathy D22	Marie D5
Sue D22	Jane D5
Shirley D22	Debra D8
April D1	Diane D19
Kim D1	Kathy D19
Patty D15	Kathleen D?

6. Roll Call:

1) 8	15) 3
2) 6	17) 2
3) 3	18) 3
4)	19) 4
5) 5	20) 1
6) 4	21) 4
7) 1	22) 4
8) 3	23) 2
9)	24) 1
10) 2	25) 3
11)	26)
12) 2	27) 2
13)	28)
14) 3	29) 3

7. Delegate's Report: Elaine read, copy online.
 Q: Will this be voted on in 2010? No, will be at least 3 years.

Q: Green, to blue to red? In 1996 WSO was in both NYC and Virginia. Both expenses were actually paid. Red is actual, blue is projected.

Q: On report at NY state, OASIS decline in referrals, “we don’t know why”? There are a number of reasons, insurance, state laws etc. We mostly need to concern ourselves with professionals so that we can get people into the rooms. A success for both professionals and Al-Anon.

Any other questions please write down and they will be answered either this afternoon or another date.

10:40 break for Action Committees followed by lunch. Will resume at 1:30. Marion W. noted that there are notebooks for each Chairperson and Recorder for the Action Committees. There is a folder for each member.

8. Announcements:

- a) Sale of raffle tickets for baskets end at 3:00
- b) Notebooks for Chairs and Recorders of action Committees need to be returned.
Individual folders should be kept by members.

9. Roll Call:

1) 10	15) 5
2) 6	17) 3
3) 5	18) 3
4)	19) 4
5) 5	20) 1
6) 4	21) 3
7) 1	22) 4
8) 3	23) 2
9)	24) 4
10) 7	25) 3
11)	26)
12) 2	27) 2
13)	28)
14) 3	29) 3
Total :84	

10. Secretary’s Report: Minutes from 2009 Spring Convention and Assembly read by Ruth S. M to accept with changes Joanne M. D6 2nd Bob C. D7 passed voice vote

11. Treasurer’s Report: Read by Louise F. Copy of report online. The 2009 Spring Convention was able to give to NYN over \$4100. Of this 10% will go into reserve fund. \$1200 was paid for Delegate to WSO. At this point we are doing OK, not great but OK. Reminder that donation should be sent to PO Box.

Q: What is the Box number? PO Box 3602, Syracuse, NY 13220

Q: Do you have balances for back accounts? Checking account has a balance of \$4079.23.

Unknown what the Reserve Fund is at this time.

C: In the October Northern Hi-Lights the balance in the Reserve fund as of 8/31/09 was \$4592.91.

M: to accept Kari D5 2nd Walt D15 passed voice vote.

12. Coordinator’s Reports:

- a) Alternate Delegate: read by Gina, copy attached.

- b) Convention: read by Summer, copy online.
- c) Group Records: read by George, copy online.
- d) Homepage: read by Kathi, copy online.
- e) Public Outreach: read by Sherry, copy online.
Q: Can we see new PSA, do you have DVD player? She has it with her and will find a place to set it up to play.
- f) Literature: read by Jean, copy online.
- g) Newsletter: read by Nancy, copy online.
- h) NYNAC: read by Diane, copy online.
- i) AIS Syracuse: read by Cathy, copy attached.
- j) AIS Western: reported by Lynn. 85% of groups report they are receiving the Hi-Lights. Margaret O. is working on a template to print and leave at groups, with websites and phone numbers. D1 is having a one day on 10/17 and D23 is having a one day on 10/10.
- k) AIS Rochester: reported by George. Doing well. 10/17 there is at Day of sharing at Rochester AIS. New group, another young Alateen group started.
Q: What is young Alateen? Under 12 years old.

13. Action Committees:

- a) Group Services: reported by George. 3 short term goals, broke into 3 groups to work on.
 - 1) Look at information for distribution to go to health fairs
 - 2) Information for mental health organizations
 - 3) Alateens and GR representation in groups, involved at area level
- b) Fellowship Communication: reported by Sally. How to distribute old Forums to the military. How to use Forum, literature, newsletter, forward ideas to Gina. In the October newsletter, how Forum helped in recovery.
- c) Public Outreach: read by Pam, copy online.
- d) Membership Outreach: reported by Summer. DR luncheons will continue. Alateen sponsor questionnaire to get information from sponsors to make them aware of service structure, to get Alateen participation.
- e) Action Committee Ad Hoc: read by Marion W., copy attached.

14. Chairperson Report: read by Connie, report online.

15. Roll Call:

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| 1) 11 | 15) 4 |
| 2) 6 | 17) 3 |
| 3) 4 | 18) 3 |
| 4) | 19) 4 |
| 5) 5 | 20) 1 |
| 6) 4 | 21) 4 |
| 7) 1 | 22) 4 |
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Fall Assembly Meeting September 26,2009

Welcome back from the summer in New York North:

Most of my news comes from my ecommunity. The summary of the group conference call became available. As was discussed at the Spring Assembly, subscription number has gone down over the last few years. Ten years ago we had 30,000 subscribers. Five years ago we had about 27,000 subscriptions. Subscriptions as of May have dropped below 20,000 for the first time in about 35 years. That's less than 1.4 subscriptions per group. I am very sorry to report that from our last meeting in August until now, Forum subscriptions have gone down in New York state.

The WSO sells the Forum at cost — the cost of printing and mailing. This does not cover the cost of the staff time for editing and the design work. The question was asked during the conference call: How much longer should the WSO subsidize a magazine that engages only a tiny minority of members? I don't emphasize this just to elicit concern. I wanted to bring the numbers back to the membership and give an honest reporting. With that said, August did bring good news on the subscription numbers. Since July subscriptions have increased by a little over 1000 since July.

The ecommunity has started a new monthly feature. I get a sneak preview of the upcoming Forum. In the September's Forum, look to see information about the new 2009 Membership Survey. This survey is presently available on the member's web site; in fact I've taken it. A member from Nebraska has developed a power point presentation on the Forum. It highlights information and ideas from the May conference call. We have permission to show and use this presentation.

Last but not least we have a new group in NYN. The Saturday Night Table Talk group meets in Williamson NY, Saturdays at 8pm. I will be sending out a welcome letter this week.

Gratefully Submitted, Gina

Group Records

George

Well, it has been a long busy summer and the paper work has piled up on me. I have gotten a good handle on it and will have everything up to date by Convention. (*I Hope*)

I want to make a few points about the GR 1 Form (Al-Anon Registration / Group records Change form).

On the Members web site, the latest version of the GR 1 and a Guide to completing it are available. By using the new form and the reviewing guidelines it will make our task easier.

This form is designed for two purposes:

1. To register and submit info and changes to WSO.
2. To send information on an area level to me at group records.

Everything that goes to WSO also goes to me.

When filling out the form, there are a few very important pieces of information that I need.

1. Line 11 need the group WSO ID... and the district.
2. Lines 2 select and mark the appropriate box.
3. Line 4. If the group is registered and you have changes to be made check the appropriate box (es).
4. Lines 9-12 please provide the meeting information even if none of it is changing. I use this as a second means of making sure that my records are correct.
5. Then only fill in the spaces that have a change.

Some of our groups have a CMA who is the person that gets all the correspondence from WSO & NYN; and they also have a Group Rep. If your group has both then a GR change would be entered in line 15. Most of our groups have a GR. who is also the CMA. If I only have one name and address I list them as both CMA and GR.

The Contacts are people in your group that are listed at WSO to receive calls from prospective members in our area to contact.

Feel free to contact me with any questions or comments.

We have a total of 322 Groups in NYN. 267 are AFG, 29 ATG, 24 AAC and 2 institutions

As always: KISS

Keep it Simply Simple
George

Syracuse AIS Report

The Syracuse AIS continues to be staffed five days a week.

Our new and very improved website, by Kathi D., is up and running! Now you can download our current schedule and literature order form. Our web address is www.syracuseais.org.

Our phone message was updated with our web address, so people could access meeting information and office hours more readily.

We are currently working on a Public outreach project. We are sending twenty packets each, of pamphlets and outreach information to teachers, doctors and professionals in the field of Alcoholism.

We have been asked and will gladly store the NYN sound system at our service center.

As the LDC coordinator, I am working with Marrienne M., from Albany at this assembly. We have a lot of literature on sale. I thank you for the opportunity to sell our literature at this Fall Assembly, which allows us to continue to reach out to our community and help those whose lives have been affected by the disease of Alcoholism.

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy A

Action Committee Ad Hoc Report for Fall Assembly 2009

At the AWSC on August 22, we discussed how the Committees have changed since we are no longer focusing on the Coordinator reports. The new focus will be on Participation / Communication. How each Committee can help NYNorth improve participation and communication.

We discussed:

The purpose of Action Committees

The jobs of Chairperson and Recorder

Participation of DR's and Coordinators

Engaging GR's

Our **SHORT TERM GOAL**

Use **Action Committee meetings at the AWSC for support, education and sharing of Experience, Strength, and Hope**

Our **LONG TERM GOALS**

Have productive and successful Action Committees

Establish the Ad Hoc Committee as a resource for Action Committees

Our **PROJECTS**

Have Concept 9 workshop

Have Service Manual workshop

Have Leadership workshop

Submitted by **Marion Wezowicz**

Ad Hoc Committee Chairperson

