

UNAPPROVED

- 1) Call to order: 9:20 AM
- 2) Moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer
- 3) Traditions: Recited by all
- 4) Concepts: Recited by all
- 5) Welcome and Information items:
 - a) New GRs & DRs

• Jean GR	Melissa
• Emilie GR	Jane GR D18
• Terry GR D8	Genevieve D3
• Cindy GR D15	Anna D25
• Cynthia D19	Mary GR D12
• Nancy D2	Joyce GR
• Dan GR D2	Mike GR D7
• Karen D21	Christina D29
• Paul D18	Charlene D29
 - b) Worksheets are on tables, if need more come and get them, also 2 minute guidelines on tables.
 - c) Please turn off or silence all cell phones.
 - d) Gina will take pictures for archives, also will act as timer.
 - e) DR Luncheon, the count needs to be turned in now.
 - f) Voting procedures are on tables.
 - g) The only people with a vote at the Assembly are GRs or person representing a group. Cannot be a dual member. Also only a GR can make a motion at Assembly.
 - h) Motion forms are on tables.
 - i) 2 minute rule is very important. Today there is a lot of business to be covered. Think about what you want to say.

6) Roll Call:

• Districts:	1) 5	15)3	
	2) 5	17) 1	
	3) 6	18) 5	
	4)	19) 2	
	5) 4	20) 1	
	6) 3	21) 3	
	7) 1	22) 2	
	8) 2	23) 2	
	9)	24) 1	
	10)	25) 5	
	11)	26)	
	12) 3	27) 1	
	13)	28)	
	14) 3	29) 5	TOTAL: 63

- AIS Representatives: Rochester, Syracuse.
- Coordinators: Alateen, Convention, Group Records, Web, Public Outreach, Literature, Newsletter, NYNAC

- Officers: Delegate, Alt. Delegate, Immed. Past Delegate, Secretary, Treasurer/Chairperson
 - Past Delegate
- 7) Review of Ground Rules:
- Stick to Agenda
 - No clapping, cheering or booing
 - Start and stop on time
 - 2 minute rule at mic
 - Turn off or silence cell phones and pagers
 - Stay on topic
 - No side conversations
 - If someone has given your idea, think about sitting down
 - No perfumes
- 8) Secretary's Report: Minutes from the 5/24/11 Spring Assembly read by Ruth S., copy online. M: to approve with corrections Genevieve D3, 2nd Kathy D19 passed voice vote.
- 9) Treasurer's Report: Read by Louise F., copy online. As of 9/1 \$8270.11 in checking account, since then \$592.00 in contributions and \$511.25 in expenses. Delegate Equalization \$1450 sent. Reserve fund \$6500.20 and Mutual Fund \$2432.45.
Q: Was balance \$80,000? No, \$8270.11
M: to accept report Gina D14, 2nd Richard D2 passed voice vote.
- 10) Ask It Basket: Any questions please write down and put in box. Will try to answer them this afternoon or in the newsletter.
- 11) Delegate's Report: Elaine R. reported, copy online. Short break to fix mic, 10:30-10:40..
- 12) Coordinator's "Hot Topic" Reports:
- a) Alt. Delegate: Gina C. reported, copy attached.
 - b) Alateen: Shirley C. reported. Forms for AMIAS available. A number of Alateen meetings have closed in the past few months.
Q: How many meetings have closed? 7
 - c) Archives: Connie reported we are still looking at when meetings began for the 60th Anniversary project. Give any information you have to George.
 - d) Convention: Summer reported, copy attached.
Q: Diane C. Will a schedule be out in time to know if I need to be there the night before? The schedule is the same as usual.
C: Loretta Co-chair for next year, committee is fantastic. The price is excellent and includes 5 meals, 2 nights. Opportunity to stay an extra night. There is no TV, no AC, bring fans. There are a few rooms that will sleep 5 per room. Alateens could share with sponsor to keep costs down. Coffee and soda will be available in café, 24 hours a day.
Q: Pam A. D3 it is first come, first serve. Is money due when we send in our reservation? Yes. Don't put off to the last minute. Rooms with private baths are limited.
 - e) Group Records: George S. reported. As of September 23, 2011 we have a total of 326 groups in the Area, 24 Alateen and 302 Al-Anon Family Groups. I have had a great term as Group Records and want to thank all for having allowed me the privilege to serve. I know it was difficult to do!!!!!!!!!!!! As always KISS It, KEEP IT SIMPLY SIMPLE. GR-1 is on the NYN website.
 - f) Web: Kathi D. No report today. I have enjoyed my term as web coordinator. Willing to do the technical part of web in future.

- g) Public Outreach: Sherry S. Steeping down from Area service, will be service sponsor. The 2012 AFA can't be ordered again until February 2012. The DVD for professionals is not a PSA it is something to show professionals.
- h) Literature: Jean W. reported, copy online. It has been a great experience the last 3 years.
- i) Newsletter: Nancy P reported, copy online.
- j) NYNAC: Diane C. reported. NYNAC is 2 weeks away. 77 Alateens, Sponsors and AMIAS registered. Mailing a letter to sponsors and AMIAS about what to bring, where to go etc. The Opening Ceremony will include each group presenting their own banner. Diane has had a banner made for the Trusted Servants. She is asking Trusted Servants to sign banner today. Sponsors should review guidelines. Whoever stands for this position, you can do this with the help of the teens and sponsors and most of all the help of your Higher Power.

13) Presentation: Bid to hold 2018 Al-Anon International in Albany, NY. Joan D8 has been working with the Albany Convention Bureau to work up a bid for the 2018 International. She introduced Gina from the Albany Co. Convention and Visitor's Bureau who did a power point presentation.

Lunch break 12:15-1:30

14) Call to order: 1:35 PM A few new handouts on tables.

15) Coordinator's "Hot Topic" Reports

k) Chairperson: Connie D. reported, copy online

l) AIS Reports:

- Syracuse AIS: Pam A. reported, Office operates 5 days a week. Average 50 calls/month, 20 walk-ins/month and 20 literature sales/month. Volunteer Luncheon in October. 2 new Al-Anon meetings and 4 Alateen meetings. LDC selling an average of \$1200/month. Newsletter doing well.
- Rochester AIS: Caroline reported, Elections are coming up shortly, looking for volunteers for outreach committee and D29 will be holding a Day of sharing.

m) Ad Hoc Alateen Guidelines: Lynda S. reported, continue to work on guidelines.

n) Ad Hoc Policy Committee: Connie will print updated Policies for all Officers & Coordinators and DRs.

16) Roll Call:

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17) Discussion & Voting on Agenda Items;

1. 2012 Revised Budget: Louise F. presented revised budget. Changes as follows:
 - a. Delegate decreased by \$250 to \$1500.00

- b. Immed. Past Delegate increased by \$50 to \$900.00
- c. Chairperson increased by \$50 to \$600
- d. Spring Assembly/Convention increased by \$250 to \$1000
- e. Delegate Equalized by \$100 to \$1550
- f. NERD Fee Assistance increased by \$100 to \$750

Total 2012 budget \$21222.00 an increase from 2011 of \$1100.00. NYNAC seed money is only budgeted once every 3 years.

Q: what happens to budgeted monies not spent? It stays there, the budget is a guideline.

M: To approve the 2012 budget. Sally D25, 2nd Diane D6 passed voice vote.

2. Roll Call:

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- 14) 3 29) 5 Total: 69

- 3. Donation to WSO from Spring Convention Proceeds: Usually 10% from the profits of the Spring Convention, \$3110.70, roundup to \$350.

M: Donation to WSO from 2011 Spring Convention proceeds of \$350. Heather D5, 2nd Harold D5 passed voice vote.

- 4. Wording added to Expense Guidelines for clarification: Change to first 2 paragraphs. Copy online.

M: Motion to accept new wording of Expense guidelines. Maureen D24, 2nd Joan S. D5, passed voice vote.

- 5. Submit bid for 2018 International (if selected-to be in Albany)no additional discussion.

M: Move to present 2018 bid for International Convention in Albany, NY Terry C. D8, 2nd Maureen K. D24.

Q: If we have it there what responsibility do we have? We would be host; WSO does the bulk of the work. We would help, greeters, help with workshops etc. At AWSC asked for support from Area AISs. Would also be doing "love" gifts

Passed voice vote, 1 abstention.

- 6. Reimbursement to Joan S. for working on International bid: Joan has made a number of trips to Albany to work on bid. Elaine took the number of trips and miles driven to compute cost. Rate is miles/gallon. AWSC recommended travel expense reimbursement to Joan.

M: To reimburse Joan S. for working on International bid, \$125.00 Diane M. D19, 2nd Carol D26, passed voice vote.

- 7. Discontinuation of Action Committees and trying a variety of new approaches including but not limited to skits, presentations, hot topics, power points, thought forces and mini

training sessions: Way to get more people involved at assemblies. Don't want to lock into one thing (see #6 on agenda). Will be a work in progress.

Q: Ruth S. D3 Who will be responsible for program? Input from all.

C: Cynthia D19 Good idea for getting more people involved.

C: Connie D. Chairperson will set agenda, could be totally different at next assembly. We need to know what you all want to know about. Need input from all to the chair.

C: Loretta D17 We need the input of people at meetings to give to GR & Dr to bring to assembly.

Q: Anna D25 If discontinues Action Committees where would these possibilities fall? The AWSC would make plan based on input. All would go through the NYN Chairperson. It's a matter of working together and communicating. Also coordinators would have an opportunity to host workshops,

C: Cynthia D15 A good way to attract teens.

C: Kim S. D This is my 2nd year as a GR. For people who are new don't know a lot about Action Committees, need clarification. We have had Action Committees for 3-3yr. trial periods. Problems with communication, always new members, continual need to review, not enough time to really work on projects. Doing things that would interest members get more involved. Some things may work, some may not. Very open right now. Hope for more involvement.

M: To discontinue Action Committees, and try a variety of new approaches including but not limited to skits, presentations, hot topics, power points, thought forces and mini trainings. Pam A. D3, 2nd Nancy M D3, passed voice vote.

8. Election of all Officers and Coordinators, Panel 52:

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- Election:
 - I. 2/3 majority required (46 votes)
 - i. Delegate: Ruth S. unanimous
 - ii. Alternate Delegate Diane C. unanimous
 - II. Plurality wins (2 candidates: 35 simple majority)
 - i. Chairperson: Pam A.
 - ii. Secretary Marge R.
 - iii. Treasurer Loretta P.
 - iv. Alateen Lynda S.
 - v. Archives Kathy M.
 - vi. Convention Maureen K.

vii.	Group Records	George S.
viii.	Web	Emilie K.
ix.	Public Outreach	Genevieve P.
x.	Literature	Gwenne R.
xi.	Newsletter	Stephanie M.
xii.	NYNAC	Lynda C.
xiii.	Immed. Past Delegate	Elaine R. (no election)

18) District Announcements and sharing's

19) Closing:

- M: Close
- Carol D26
- 2nd Ann D29
- Passed voice vote
- Closed – 4:07PM

Respectfully submitted, Ruth S. Secretary

Alternate Delegate

Each registered group with a Current Mailing Address (CMA) is continuing to get a free subscription to the Forum. DRs please check your CMA list to determine if the Forum is actually getting to the group itself. Please encourage your GRs/Contact people to fill out the survey that came with the complementary copy of the Forum recently.

The New York numbers are in. The numbers are staying steady. With a drop in the number of groups in New York as a whole of 30, there was a decrease in the number of subscriptions of 29. Unfortunately the numbers across the country are still decreasing.

The WSO has sent an e-mail out to Forum Coordinators just recently. They have been made aware of how late in a month the Forum has been delivered. The Forums have been getting into the postal service on time. Despite that fact, the WSO has moved up the production dates to get the Forum into the postal service earlier. For those groups who use the Forum for the first meeting of the month, this will hopefully rectify things.

We need to keep up the good work.

Gratefully submitted, Gina C.