

NEW YORK NORTH AREA ASSEMBLY

MAY 11, 2013

Call to order: 9:30am by Chairperson Pam A.

Moment of Silence, followed by Serenity Prayer

Traditions: Nancy District#10

Concepts and Warranties: Cynthia District #19

WELCOME AND INFORMATION

Please turn off all cell phones and pagers, no texting

Please adhere to the 2 minute rule when at the microphone

Please remember who is eligible to vote at the Assembly

Group Representatives (GR), their Alternate or Designee

Cannot be a Dual Member,

Only GR's are eligible to make a motion and vote at the Assembly

Motion forms available from secretary

Archivist, Kathy M. is the only one who may take photographs

All new GR's asked to stand and be recognized by the assembly

All new DR's asked to stand and be recognized by the assembly

NOTE: All are asked to mark the map in the hospitality room with your meeting location.

ROLL CALL: GR's Present 74

1)10, 2)3, 3)4, 5)6, 6)3, 7)1, 8)3, 10)4, 12)2, 14)2, 15)4, 17)5, 18)1,
19)5, 20)1, 21)4, 22)4, 23)4, 24)1, 25)3, 26)1, 29)3.

A.I.S. Representatives: Western, Rochester

COORDINATORS:

Alateen, Archives, Convention, Literature, Newsletter, NYNAC

Officers: Delegate, Alt. Delegate, Immed. Past Delegate, Secretary,
Treasurer, Chairperson, Past Delegate, 4, Trustee/Past Trustee, 2.

Secretary Report: on web. Minutes read.

Motion: to accept with changes and corrections

Linda, District 8, 2nd, Harold, District 15

Accepted: voice vote

Delegate's Report: on line. Our Spiritual Journey, Changing We to Me is available
On line. Ruth thanked all for the yellow roses that were in her room when she
arrived at the conference. The budget was presented. The total budget is on line.
A common problem in all Areas is how to get Districts without DR's to participate.
This is essential for our spiritual and financial growth. Al-anon is not growing.
New comers are not staying, and old timers are leaving. Ruth would like to form
A thought force, that would try to find out why several of our Districts have not
Participated at the Area Level in years. The first E book is now available, \$9.95
from various vendors. A task force has been formed to by WSO, they will
Take up the question of dual members serving in voting positions in Al-anon.
There have been changes made in the anonymity policy. These changes were
Read and shown to the assembly on a screen. These changes in policy should be
Reviewed by members to keep us up to date. All of these policies were accepted
By a unanimous vote. All of these changes can be reviewed on line by members.
A new PSA (Public Service Announcement) was played for the assembly.
Ruth announced that the Board to Trustee's will host a "Meet & Greet" in July

of 2014. It will take place before their regular meeting. Area's wishing to be considered to host are asked to submit bids from 2 cities in their area. They will take care of all arrangements and planning. A thought force can be formed.

Would we like to participate?

The member web site is being set up so it is easier to navigate. There will be a new survey for all members to fill out on service.

Question? Tim, District 1. Is there a time to meet with you about the report?

Answer. I am always available on E-Mail.

Question? Marion, District 21. Why does WSO include New York North and New York South together?

Answer. This is just the way it has always been done.

Question? Pam, Chairperson, How long did it take to work on the Anonymity Updates?

Answer: Years, they had to be accurate, clarified, and can I live with it.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Full report on line.

Report presented by treasurer.

Checking balance: April 2013 \$6,296.35

Reserve fund balance: April 2013 \$7,736.90

Mutual funds est. April 2013 \$2,589.65

Profit from Fall Assembly : \$1307.33

Motion: To accept report as read, Glenda R. Dist. 23, 2nd Marcie D.

Accepted: voice vote

Question? Karen, A.I.S. Western. How much should a group keep in their account?

Answer. Each group is autonomous, so it is up the individual group.

BREAK FOR LUNCH

TWO MINUTE HOT TOPIC REPORTS: OFFICERS & COORDINATORS

Alternate Delegate: report on line

Diane announced that there have been no new meetings so far this year. She has been serving as Web. Coordinator and found that people do use the web site.

Immed. Past Delegate: report on line

Elaine shared she had partnered with Pat H. to do a Day Of Sharing. She held a new GR meeting this morning, there were 18 in attendance.

Chairperson: Report on line

Pam has been writing her newsletter articles. She has been working with the Finance committee. She noted that a Web. Coordinator is needed. As per NYN policy an Area inventory is done in the middle of each panel, forms are available on the table to be completed. Results will be compiled and available by the fall Assembly.

Alateen: report on line

Lynda noted that all DR's need to check their Blue Binders for the Alateen Guidelines, DR's need to sign up as AMIS and they will be informed of training.

Archives: report on line

Kathy M. reports that the records are now at the AIS in Syracuse, in the basement. She has not been able to sort too much.

Convention: report on line

Maureen wished all present a "Happy Mother's Day". She is glad to see you here To share this memorable weekend in Lake Placid. The Fall Assembly will be held At the Comfort Inn in Syracuse, Sept. 20 – 22.

District 18 to host Fall 2014, looking for some help!

Group Records: Report on line:

George unable to attend, Pam gave the report. There are 21 active Alateen Groups in NYN and 295 Al-anon Groups.

Literature: report on line

There are updated order forms available. The new E book can be purchased from Various vendors {\$9.95). The new Legacy workbook will be available at the International Convention and the 2014 Service Manual will be out in January. The new How Al-Anon Works book was designed to be given out to new comers At meetings.

Question? Anne F. Do you know when the Conflict Resolution flip cards are Coming out?

Answer. I do not know yet, but I will find out.

Newsletter Ed.: Report on line

The Northern Hi Lights is the largest item in the budget(\$4000)

Postage will no longer be in bulk rate. The number of subscriptions does Not cover the cost. NOTE: Topic to be discussed later in the meeting.

NYNAC: report on line

The packets are complete and need to be filled out. NYNAC guideline have Not been updated since 1999. Adults need to be AMAIS to be able to attend NYNAC.

A.I.S. Rochester: report on line

Nancy reports that there are still vacancies on the committee. The By-laws Have changed and been accepted. Duel members cannot serve as per WSO policy.

A I.S. Syracuse: Report on line

Helen shared that they have been delivering packets to school and selling Literature.

NERT CANDIDATE QUALIFICATIONS

These were presented by Anne F.

WORKSHOP/PRESENTATION

Connie, Bob, Anne and Gweene: Get use to Using the microphone!

All new GR's participated. Following the presentation on KBDM & Framing

The Newsletter topic was presented using KBDM & Framing format.

Please check the web for this informative and interesting presentation.

NEWSLETTER

Discussion on electronic delivery of the newsletter was started in 2009.

Cost information is online. Now the cost exceeds the receipts. The newsletter

Is our primary communication tool!!!!!! NYN has always provided the newsletter

To all groups, whether they paid for subscription or not. Could some of these

Funds be used for other needs/projects? All of this information is on line. We

Need to take responsibility in our groups, print the newsletter and bring to the

Meeting --- share – use it for a topic. There was much discussion hoping to be able

To make a KBD.

DIM AND DARK DISRICTS:

Our Delegate wants a thought force to “pull” in districts that have not been

Attending in 4 years, Districts 4, 9, 13, 28. We need to be reaching out. The

Following members volunteered: Diane C. Alt. Delegate, Nancy R., GR, Loretta,

Tres, Mandy, Dst 6, Sherry, Dst 6, Marge R., Sect, Nancy, Dst 23, Dianne R. Dst 06.

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VOTING ITEMS:

Motion: To approve Marie N. District 5 as Public Outreach Coordinator.

Eileen B. District 29, 2nd Nancy H. District 10

Approved: Voice vote

Motion: To approve John O. as Web. Coordinator

Cynthia N. District 19, 2nd Debbie, District 3

Approved: voice vote

Motion: To approve District 10 as the host of 2015 Spring Convention/Assembly

Jane, District 5, 2nd Susan, District 15

Approved: voice vote

Motion: Approve Stars of Hope Alateen Group host 2013 NYNAC

Tim, District 1, 2nd Mary District 10

Approved: voice vote

Motion: To approve the formation of a committee to submit to WSO information

Regarding the Board of Trustees holding a "meet & greet" in July 2014 in our
Area.

Nancy H. District 10, 2nd LaVaughn, District 21.

Approved: voice vote

Motion: To approve the Northern Hi Lights will post a notice in the June, July,
August, September issues that states all members and groups wishing to continue
to receive the Northern Hi Lights as hard copies mailed to them, MUST, send

your contact information to Group Records. Effective October 1, 2013

Northern Hi Lights will be distributed by electronic means unless an Individual or group opts to receive it in hard copy.

Amy B. District 22, 2nd Betty, District 1

Approved: Voice vote

Motion: A thought force be formed to look into what can be done to pull

In Districts in NYN not involved in our assemblies/conventions.

Lynda S. Alateen Coordinator, 2nd Mary D. District 10

Approved: voice vote

District updates were shared, including a fund raiser for the Fall 2013 convention.

Motion: Close meeting

Tim, District 1, 2nd Andy, District 23

Approved: Voice vote

Meeting closed 5:15pm

