

NYN AREA ASSEMBLY  
AWSC ZOOM MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 20, 2021

Call to Order at 11am

Moment of Silence / Serenity Prayer

Traditions read by Joan L. DR 8

Concepts read by Joan L. Group Records

Warranties read by Mary D. AAPP

Welcome by Chair Carol

Informational Items

- Keep screens on
- Mike R. is Host, Ellen V. and Mary S. are co-hosts

Roll Call: 30 voting Members

- Substantial unanimity  $\frac{2}{3}$  or 81%

Secretary's Report

- No AWSC minutes per past Secretary

Treasurer's Report

- See on-line for report
- Mail donations to NYN Area Assembly, PO Box 64176, Rochester, NY 14624
- Discussion about 2021 WSO Equalization Expense to send Delegate to Conference. Money is due by year's end (2020) and has been paid.
- Motion to accept Treasurer's Report made by Pat H. DR 29, Seconded by Helen H. DR 15. All in Favor. Passed.

Delegate's Report

- See on-line for complete report
- Question answered about Al-Anon mobile app.
- Anyone interested in Trustee Position needs to submit a resume. Questions should be directed to Delegate Emily.
- Motion to accept Delegate's Report made by Mary D. AAPP, Seconded by Patti M. Presentation. All in Favor. Passed.

BREAK AT 12:16 pm for 5 minutes.

Two Minute Hot Topic Reports by Officers and Coordinators

- Alt. Delegate - Kath D. Report on website. Highlights will have a Forum Challenge. To receive a Forum subscription make sure to read Highlights.
- Immediate Past Delegate - Molly C. Report on website. Held virtual Zoom meeting for New Group Reps. for the first time. Molly attended NERD.
- Alateen Coordinator - Mary S. Report on website. Working on updating Mandated Reporter information in NYS for NYN Area Alateen Guidelines.

- Al-Anon Alateen Process Person (AAPP) - Mary D. Report on website. 55 AMIAS recertification letters were mailed.
- Archives - Maria S. Report on website. Discussed the need of 21 boxes of materials.
- Convention Coordinator - Vacant Position. Chair read report. Report on website. Jim M. was asked by the Chair to give a brief update on Fall Assembly 2021.
- Group Records - Joan L. Report on website. Thanked past Group Records Coordinator for all her help.
- Literature Coordinator - Cathleen B. Report on website. A new Daily Reader is expected out in 2023. Topics are being asked for, specifically they would like to hear from a diverse background.
- Newsletter Coordinator - Vacant Position
- NYNAC - Leslie C. No website report. Casowasco Camp for Alateen reserved for September 10, 11, 12, 2021. Help is being asked for in planning: Hospitality, Entertainment, Theme/Art Work. Email Leslie at [nynaccoordinator@yahoo.com](mailto:nynaccoordinator@yahoo.com)
- Public Outreach Coordinator - Lynn S. Report on website. "March Forth" event.
- Presentation Coordinator - Patti M. Report on website. Immediate Past Delegate contacted Patti with a large collection of presentation materials.
- Web Coordinator - Ellen V. Report on website. Learning about her new position.
- E-Meeting Host - Michael R. Report on website. Learning the intricate elements of Zoom.
- AIS Syracuse - Helen H. read report for Carla K. Report on website. Working on updating the website.
- AIS Rochester - Mel Y. Report on website. Update on Service and Statistics.
- AIS Western NY - Alex M. Report on website. Two new Public Outreach Coordinators. Update on services and needs.

#### Discussion Items

- Vacant Positions
  - Pat H. past Newsletter Coordinator has volunteered to temporarily fill in until a new Coordinator has been found.
  - Conventions Coordinator needs to be filled. Jim M. expressed interest. The Chair will speak with Jim.
- Spring Assembly - Lynn S. reports that the in-person Convention should not be held at this time due to the pandemic and restrictions placed upon gatherings. She recommends a Zoom Assembly.
  - Open for discussion: Connie D. District 22 spoke of lack of participation in hosting the Spring Assembly / Convention.
  - Cathleen B. expressed her concerns about Covid.
  - Emily K. asked about possible Speaker to be held virtually for Spring.
  - Leslie C. consider a Hybrid Assembly/Convention

Diane C. meetings aren't open yet. The 2020 Fall Assembly had a great turnout on ZOOM.

- Motion to hold NYN Spring Assembly 2021 virtually using ZOOM made by Ellen V. Web Coordinator. Second by Cathleen B. Literature Coordinator. All in favor. Passed.

BREAK at 1:42pm for 10 minutes.

- Motion to amend. Motion to hold the 2021 Spring Assembly on Saturday May 15th with the 2021 Spring AWSC meeting to be held Friday May 14th. Made by Carla K. Second by Molly C. Immediate Past Delegate. All favor. Passed.
- Discussion held as to whether we should have a Speaker on day of Assembly or a different day.
  - District 22 willing to find Speaker
  - Long Zoom day
  - Lunch time Speaker
  - Speaker on a different day
- Poll vote to decide options for Speaker
  - 48% no speaker
  - 12% speaker in afternoon of Assembly
  - 20% speaker on different day
  - 20% speaker on Assembly day after dinner
- Motion to vote to have a Speaker on the day of the Assembly made by Patti M. Presentation. Second by Joni H. DR 19. 9 Yes 21 No. Not approved.
- Motion to vote to have a Convention Speaker on May 16, 2021 made by Ellen V. Web Coordinator. Second by Martha S. DR 24. 24 yes 6 No. Motion approved.
- New Group Rep. (GR) meeting. Molly C. to hold virtual meeting for new GR's. Details will be posted to NYN website along with email notification. Info will also be posted to Northern Highlights Newsletter.
- Finance Committee and Web Committee were formed. Check NYN website for Committee Duties. Interested persons should contact Chair.
- A thought force was formed for AAPP concerning background checks and fingerprinting. Contact Mary D. AAPP Coordinator.
- NYS Fair Literature - Diane C. gave an update on leftover materials from NYN participation at Fair. A full report is on website. Eleven boxes of public outreach material are being stored at the Syracuse AIS office. As it was voted at the 2020 Fall Assembly that NYN would not participate in the upcoming Fair the question remains; what to do with the remaining literature.

- A motion to donate all left over literature to the NYN Public Outreach Coordinator was made by Jim M. DR 18. Second by Diane C. District 15. All in favor. Motion approved.
- Fall Assembly 2021 Jim M. spoke about Committee Report. The most important question is trying to get a count of attendees. How many people are willing to attend in person?
  - Motion to hold Fall Assembly 2021 virtually made by Cathleen R. Literature Coordinator. Second by Mary D. AAPP. All in favor. Motion approved.
- Assembly Inventory. The Chair explained that in the second year of the Panel's three year term an Assembly Inventory is taken by the participants of the Assembly. This inventory serves as a guide as to how the Panel can better serve our AI-Anon members. Molly C. will forward a copy to the Secretary. It can be found online at [nynafg.com/policy](http://nynafg.com/policy).
- Agenda for Spring Assembly 2021
  - Delegate's Report
  - Officer and Coordinator Reports
  - Presentation
  - Vacant Positions
  - Public Outreach
  - Alateen Module III and IV
  - Committees
  - JamBoard
- Additional Items
  - Lynn S. NYN Public Outreach Coordinator asking for ideas and or art work for a poster to submit to WSO for approval. Contact Lynn for more info.
  - Mary D. District 10. Virtual Day of Sharing Saturday April 10th. Information will be posted to NYN website and Northern Highlights.
  - Joan District 8 In conjunction with Districts 7,8,22, and 24 a new website is coming. "Capital District AFG"
  - Joanni District 19. Virtual Day of Sharing celebrating 70 years of AI-Anon will be held on Sunday March 21. See Rochester AIS website for details.
  - Lynne District 9 Virtual Day of Sharing will be held June 5th.
  - JamBoard is a free Google tool that was used for Ask it Basket Questions. The Chair will speak with Emily.
  - Issue with receiving Northern Highlights

Motion to adjourn made by Ellen V. Web Coordinator. Second by Lynn W. District 9. All in favor. Motion approved.

- Adjourned at 3:57 pm.
- Respectfully submitted
- Carla K., NYN Secretary