



## ROCKLAND COUNTY INTERGROUP

### MINUTES FROM May 4, 2010

**Group Representatives (16) Present:** - Any Lengths, Airmont Road, Back To Basics, Congers By The Book, Freedom of Choice, New City, New Horizons, Pearl River, Promises (Garnerville), Sloatsburg, Suffern, Sunrise, Three-In-One, Thruway Men's, West Nyack, RCYPG.

Meeting was open by Artie with the Serenity Prayer at 8:00 pm. Preamble was read. Tradition Five was read. All persons in attendance introduced themselves. The Secretary determined that a quorum was present for the transaction of business.

#### **Reports:**

**Secretary:** Minutes from the April 6, 2010 meeting were read, corrected and accepted.

**Treasurer's Report:** Steve delivered the Treasurer's Report.

The opening working Balance was \$ 2,388.04. Monies received during April 2010 were \$ 861.00, \$ 794.00 from Group contributions, \$35.00 from the RCI meeting collection and \$ 32.00 from Meeting List sales. The Treasurer read the list of contributing groups and thanked them. Total expenditures paid during April 2010 were \$ 858.11. The RCI Checking Account has been balanced and reconciled. The closing balance is \$ 2,390.93.

**SENY Liaison:** No report.

**Corrections:** Matt provided the Corrections Report through Lenny. There is an opening for a Chairperson on alternate Mondays for the Men's Side meeting at the RCJ. The commitment requires an AA who has at least two (2) years of continuous sobriety, has not been in the RCJ at any time during the past five (5) years and has no outstanding warrants.

**Meeting List:** Kristina happily announced that the new and improved, bigger and better Meeting Lists are available for purchase at \$10 per bundle. If any changes are needed, please bring them to Kristina's attention so they can be incorporated into the next printing.

**Answering Service:** Bob gave him the Answering Service Report.

Bobby has updated and extended the rotation schedule from June 10 forward. The schedule has been posted on the RCI Website. The updated 12 Step Call List is still being worked on and should be available soon. Bob asked that all groups try to update their 12<sup>th</sup> Step lists and get them to him within the next two (2) weeks. Bob emphasized that a group does not have to be in the Answering



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Service rotation to do 12<sup>th</sup> Step outreach calls. Dan also pointed out that the 12<sup>th</sup> Step Call List is important because it allows a man answering a hotline call from a woman desiring help to refer the caller to an AA woman. In response to a question from the Sloatsburg Group Representative, Bobby indicated that, while the typical shift was 3, 4 or 7 days, if any group wanted to take on a shorter commitment, one would be tailored for them.

**H&I:** Eric delivered the H&I Report.

After H&I made arrangements with Daytop for a 6:30 P.M. meeting on Thursdays, no one volunteered to chair that meeting. The chair position is a one year commitment and requires an AA who has at least one year of continuous sobriety. H&I will provide the speakers. After further discussion, Peter indicated that he had someone to take the Daytop commitment.

**Booker's Exchange:** The next meeting will be on June 1 at 7:00 pm in the front foyer of the building

**Share-A-Day:** Artie reported that he had received an email from Jane the Secretary for the Share-A-Day Committee that the next Committee meeting will be at 6:30 PM on Thursday May 13, 2010 at the Nanuet Diner. All are invited to attend, to contribute their ideas and to take commitments.

**Volunteerism Committee:** No Report. Artie indicated that Intergroup is still looking for someone to take the chair position for this Committee.

**Public Information:** Bob, the PI Chair, delivered the P&I Report.

PI went to Rockland Community College for the meeting of Rockland County school district superintendents and counselors for purposes of distributing an information package that introduced them to what AA is and what AA does. PI will need speakers to do outspeaks at local high schools in September about what AA is and isn't. PI has established a dialogue with RCC that has led to PI's networking with St. Dominic's and St. Thomas Aquinas Colleges.

PI requested its normal monthly allotment of \$80 for expenses which was unanimously approved.

**Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous Liaison:** Jared expressed his interest in continuing to serve as the liaison between the Young Peoples' Group and Intergroup

**Old Business**

The Volunteerism Committee needs a Chairperson. Artie described what the commitment entails in terms of AA service, specifically making contact with AA



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groups not already participating in Intergroup's activities to explain the 12<sup>th</sup> Step work that Intergroup does (such as responding to calls made to the 24 hour hotline managed by the Answering Service, Public Information's outreach efforts in the community and their operation of the RCI Website, the publication of the County's AA Meeting List, the efforts of H&I and Corrections to bring meetings to institutions, hospitals and the RCJ ) and to encourage these groups to attend Intergroup's meetings and participate in Intergroup's activities.

There was a general discussion about whether Intergroup continued to have a need for a Volunteerism Committee in light of the significant level of group participation in Intergroup over the past several years. Further consideration of this subject was tabled until the next meeting

### **New Business**

There was a discussion about the when, how and why surrounding the creation of the commitment of Young Peoples' Liaison to RCI and what the Young Peoples' Group in Rockland County had accomplished during its brief existence. Jared was unanimously elected to be the RCYPG Liaison to Intergroup. Jared indicated he would be continuing to attend the meetings of, and to participate in, the New York and International Young Peoples' Councils. Jared discussed the work being done by the New York Council particularly as the host of the 2010 ICYPAA Conference in New York City this summer

The meeting was closed with the Serenity Prayer at 8:44 P.M.