



ROCKLAND COUNTY INTERGROUP

MINUTES FROM September 7, 2010

Group Representatives Present (14): Airmont Road, Any Lengths, Freedom of Choice, Friends By The Fire, It Gets Better, New City, New Horizons, Nyack, Pearl River, Primary Purpose, RCYPG, Suffern, Sunrise, Thruway Men's, West Nyack

Meeting opened at 8pm, Preamble and Tradition 9 were read along with the Serenity Prayer. Everyone in attendance introduced themselves.

The Secretary determined that a quorum was present for the transaction of business.

Reports:

Secretary: Minutes from August 3, 2010 were read and accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Steve delivered the Treasurer's Report. The Opening Working Balance was \$1,646.95. A total of \$ 2,358.10 was received, with \$ 1,273.10 from group contributions, \$25.00 from the RCI collection, \$ 60.00 in meeting list sales and \$1,000.00 representing the return of the Share A Day seed money. Total expenses paid during the month were \$545.43, leaving a Closing Working Balance of \$ 3,459.62. Report was accepted.

SENY Liaison: Elsa delivered the SENY Liaison report. Queens will be having its annual Share A Day on September 11th. Additional information about this can be found on the SENY Website. The SENY Election Assembly will be held on September 25, 2010 in Yonkers. Westchester General Services will be hosting a Share An Evening in White Plains on October 2nd.

Corrections: Matt reported that Corrections continues to need a volunteer to chair the Men's Side meeting at the Rockland County Jail every other Monday. Artie pointed out that, if any AA wanted to speak at the RCJ or an institution, an AA can volunteer for this service by filling out the form posted on the RCI Website.

Meeting Lists: Kristina reported that a new version of the Rockland County meeting list has been printed and are available..

Answering Service: No report.

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H&I: Eric explained generally what H&I does and how H&I does it. H&I has a monthly meeting on the third Thursday of every month usually attended by between 13 to 15 group representatives which volunteer their groups to provide speakers for the approximately 120 meetings that H&I covers each month at Blaisdell, Nyack Hospital, Good Sam T5 and Day Top, There are no open chair commitments at present but H&I is always looking for back ups. H&I recently had a problem with receiving shipments of AA literature that had been ordered but that problem has been corrected.

Bookers Exchange – Frank speaking for Kathy reported that eleven (11) groups sent representatives to the Bookers Exchange meeting held earlier that evening.

Share A Day: Charlie I., the Treasurer for the Share a Day Committee, reported that the event held on August 21, 2010 had been well attended with an estimated 250+ people from AA and Al-Anon present. Ticket pre-sales went very well with 115 tickets sold prior to the day of the event. Charlie provided a detailed interim Treasurer's Report as of 9/7/10 (copies were handed out and a copy is attached to these minutes), showing revenues and expenses for Share A Day. The Committee returned to the RCI treasury the \$1,000 in seed money that had been advanced by RCI and had a surplus of \$850.39. There was considerable discussion about what should be done about the surplus monies. By a vote of 15 in favor and 2 against, RCI's group conscience was that these surplus monies could be remain on deposit in a separate Share A Day checking account that had been opened by the Share A Day Committee for purposes of receiving revenues from ticket sales and group donations and of paying ordinary and necessary expenses as long as suitable fiscal controls are in place (i.e., two signatures, one of which is to be the new Share A Day Committee Treasurer, will be required to write checks and/or authorize payments or withdrawals from the account). There was some general feedback the atmosphere created by selling T-shirts and the separate charges for various miscellaneous. There was also some general discussion about the Share A Day Committee making sure in the future that AA's Traditions are honored and observed.

Public Information: Public Information needs support. PI is seeking active participation in its important 12th Step work, including restocking the libraries and police stations with AA literature, and is asking all groups to send representatives to its regular monthly meetings. PI had to postpone its high school outreach program because not enough AAs volunteered to participate and do the training program. PI's monthly expense allotment of \$80 was requested and approved.

Volunteerism Committee: Jamie reported that he had spoken with various AAs to gather information as to the mission of the Volunteerism Committee and to develop an action plan. Jamie plans on visiting with each AA group in the County

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to acquaint them with what Intergroup does and with the many 12th Step service opportunities that Intergroup manages. There was a general discussion about whether Volunteerism Committee presentations should be preceded by a letter of introduction to be sent to all AA groups that would be similar to the letter that the former VC Chair had circulated (group conscience was that this is a good idea) and about whether the presentation should be made at business meetings or regular meetings (an issue to be determined by the group being visited).

Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous Liaison: No report.

Old Business

- None

New Business

Mary, the Suffern Group Representative, happily announced that the Suffern Group would be celebrating its 64th Group Anniversary on Saturday October 23, 2010, with dinner and fellowship at 7:00 PM and an open meeting at 9:00PM.

Artie reminded the Intergroup officer, committee chairpersons and group representatives that following positions will be changing or opening for 2011 The current Answering Service Chairperson will be rotating to become the next Intergroup Chairperson. Nominations should be made at the November 2010 RCI meeting (with elections at the December 2010 RCI meeting) for any and all AAs interested in serving as Answering Service Chairperson/Alternate Chairperson, Secretary, SENY Liaison, H&I Chairperson and Corrections Chairperson.

Kristina who has been serving as Meeting Lists Chairperson expressed a willingness to continue to serve in that capacity for 2011-2012.

The meeting was closed at 9:18 PM.

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