

Minutes From Meeting of November 2, 2010

Group Representatives Present (16): Any Lengths, Airmont Road, Back To Basics, Congers By the Book, Footprints, Freedom of Choice, Friends by the Fire, It Gets Better, New City, New Horizons, Pearl River, Step By Step, Suffern, Sunrise, Thruway Men's, West Nyack.

Meeting opened at 8pm, Preamble and Tradition 11 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 October 5, 2010 were read and accepted.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Steve delivered the Treasurer's Report. The Opening Working Balance was \$3,176.16. A total of \$896.00 was received, with \$842.00 from group contributions, \$34.00 RCI Collection and \$20.00 in meeting list sales. Total expenses paid during the month were \$545.56, leaving a closing Working Balance of \$3,528.60. The Treasurer's Report was accepted.

SENY Liaison: Elsa delivered the SENY report. The next Area Assembly will be on 11/28 at St. Francis College in Brooklyn. The Bill W. Dinner is scheduled for 11/13. The NERASSA Planning Committee will be meeting on 11/14 and holding its convention on 2/25/2011 to 2/27/2011 at the Westchester Marriott, the Registration fee is \$20, the banquet will cost \$58 and special room rates are available. The next New York State Convention will be from 7/29/2011 to 7/31/2011, also at the Westchester Marriott. SENY will be having a committee meeting on 12/7 at 7:30 at the Church of the Holy Family in the Bronx. Groups can now make contributions to General Services online through the SENY website. There are two positions open in the General Services Literature Office. Approximately 4,900 people attended the recent ICYPAA Convention in New York City. There is a video concerning the convention that can be seen at www.aa.org./YPvideo. The next ICYPAA Convention will be held in San Francisco. Elsa also had copies of the Final Report of the 6th General Services Conference which can also be found online.

<u>Corrections:</u> Matt K. was not present for his report. There is still an opening for a chair person for the Rockland County Men's Correction facility every other Monday night.



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<u>Meeting List:</u> Kristina gave the report. "Everything is good". She has one box of meeting lists left over from the most recent printing but does not anticipate having to reprint for about 2 to 3 months.

<u>Answering Service:</u> Artie spoke to Bob just prior to the October meeting. Bob is unable to fulfill his commitment. He will be sending Artie the most recent rotation schedule and updated 12th step call list. RCI needs someone to take this commitment immediately and effective as January 1, 2011. Artie reviewed that this is a 2 year commitment, one year serving as Answering Service Chair and Alternate Chairperson and one year as RCI Chairperson.

H&I: Eric gave the report. The October H&I Bookers meeting had 16 attendees. Only 5 or 6 speaking commitments at institutional meetings were still open after the meeting. The Pomona Crisis Center contacted Eric to again discuss bringing in a meeting there. However, Pomona had various personal disclosure prerequirements that are not acceptable for RCI and AA members since all of them essentially com-promised the AA's 12th Tradition. There was also a discussion at the last H&I Bookers' Meeting about Blaisdell's request for a Sunday AM meeting (which would be the sixth or seventh H&I meeting there). The group representatives will take the matter back to their groups for further discussions so that there can be a group conscience on whether H&I should do this. All Chair positions for H&I institutional meetings have been filled and literature has been provided at the institutions.

Bookers Exchange: The next Bookers' Exchange Meeting will be at 7:00 PM on December 7, 2010 in the lobby of the building.

Share-A-Day: No report.

P&I: Steve delivered the report for Cindy who is sick. PI is looking for support.

Volunteerism Committee: Jamie gave the report. He has with visited seven (7) groups so far, not to proselytize for RCI but simply to familiarize himself with the groups. He wants to reassure AAs and AA groups that he is there to communicate with them about how RCI does 12th Step work and invite them to join in, not to "inspect" them. In his travels, Jamie has found certain meetings that are still on the RCI Meeting List but the meeting has been discontinued (although some alcoholics were still showing up for it), For example, Jamie went to what was supposed to be an 8:30 PM Monday Big Book meeting at the Church of the Atonement in Stony Point but discovered that there was no meeting there. Jamie has included, as part of his mission statement, the task of verifying the authenticity and accuracy of what is on the RCI Meeting List and will advise Kris (Meeting List Chair) of what he learns. So far, Kris is aware of the following



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meetings being discontinued: Thursday 8:30PM Candlelight Group; Thursday 8:30 PM Young Peoples' Group; Friday 7:30 PM Friends By The Fire

Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous Liaison: No report

Old Business

None

New Business

There was a discussion of the importance of service in AA (pg. 224 in "As Bill Sees It"), the RCI By Laws' provisions governing the nomination and election process and the positions that are now open or are coming open and need to be filled by election at the December 2010 meeting for January 2011 and beyond.

Eric L. was nominated to serve as RCI Chair, filling the term and the commitment that Bob would have had.

Elsa was nominated to serve as Answering Service Chairperson in 2011.

Kris agreed to stay on as Meeting List Chairperson.

Sean was introduced and nominated to serve as H&I Chair.

There were no nominations for Secretary, SENY Liaison or Corrections-Women's Chair. Steve previously volunteered to serve as Share-A-Day Chair.

Nominations of candidates can still be made at the December 2010 RCI Meeting and elections will be held then. All Group Representatives were urged to make an announcement about this at their groups.

Despite everything that happened and what was discussed, the Meeting was harmoniously closed with the Serenity Prayer at 8:47 pm



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