January 2021 Minutes-1/20/21

District 1000-SENY Area 49

Premeeting:

Previous to the opening of the meeting a GSR Boot Camp- Part I took place from 7Pm till 7:32 PM, Led by the District Secretary

I. Opening Invocation, Welcome & Monthly Tradition

Meeting Opened @ 7:32PM Led by Thomas K-ADCMC with MOS followed by the Serenity Prayer and a welcome statement-followed by Tradition One" Unity"-briefly spoke about the tradition and talked about the checklist

II. Introductions & Roll Call

Introductions around the body-Present were the following: Lit chair, ADCMC, Treasurer, TCO, Recording Secretary, Intergroup Liaison, Sunrise GSR, Alt Sunrise GSR, Grapevine GSR, Alt GSR Grapevine, Fellowship Road GSR, Pearl River GSR, Congers by The Book GSR, Congers Women GSR, Suffern GSR, New Horizons GSR, New Light GSR, 3-1 GSR, Young & Free GSR, West Nyack GSR, SENY Convention Chair (Guest)

III. Old Minutes

December minutes were approved by the body without correction and are ready to post

IV. Treasurer's Report (Incoming Treasurer-Robert F.)

Opening Balance:

Closing Balance:

V. Upcoming Events

ADCMC Thomas K. presented the upcoming Events from the SENY Calendar of interest to the body

Jan. 23- 1st AREA Assembly

Feb. 26-28th NERAASA

March 5-7 SENY CONVENTION

VI. DCMC & ADCMC Reports

Thomas K. mentioned NERAASA is looking for people to assist with the Tech side of the Conference, Contact John D. at the NERAASA website.

Listed current Vacancies that the body has DCMC, CPC chair, Accessibilities Chair and Sponsorship Chair mentioned that GSR's should bring it back to their groups and solicit possible persons to fill these roles

SENY History book is now available

NYIG is no longer supporting meetings for the city and all are warned to expect an influx to their meetings as well as possible Zoom Bombing. Suggested that all groups up their Security at all meetings.

Turned the floor to the Guest-SENY Convention Chair (Kathy W.)- Mentioned the theme of the convention "AA in a Time of Change"-Convention is March 5-7th-Admission to the Convention is \$20.00-Spoke about the broad details of the convention. Mentioned that Rockland County will like all the counties in SENY be hosting a panel—Rockland's Topic from the Program Chair is" Practicing AA's 36 Principles In A Changing AA World"—They are also looking for tech volunteers to help run the platform-Contact John L.-the Tech chair for more info.

VII. Standing Committee Chair Reports:

<u>Literature</u>- (Kerry V.)- Literature Report- attended intergroup to intro myself. I took an order for H& I and the Airmont group, so If any groups or committees need literature let me know. I will be placing the order on Saturday 1/23/21. Price list, catalog and contact info posted on the website. I can also be reached by text on my cell 845-642-2874. \$500 = free shipping, a significant saving to the groups.

<u>Grapevine</u>- (Jose P.)- Checked with Outgoing Chair-we have a decent inventory of books available. Mentioned difficulty in transitioning to a virtual format. Had some suggestions ideas about gifts. Reaching out to H& I Chair at Intergroup about adding Grapevine to Institutional needs.

Announced his reluctant resignation due to his commitment as a Recently inducted GSR. The body will now have to seek someone to fill this position.

Intergroup Liaison- (Ann)- Women's Correction Has a new Chair

TCO Report-Started the process of sending out emails to the body, newly registered persons will start receiving mail shortly-Explained Registration process for New GSR's using the sharing tool on the website to explain exactly how they would get to the registration page for the AREA-reiterated the registration linkage to GSO-explained that the body will be receiving *THE LINK* with their mailings-mentioned Pre-Assembly Tech Workshop for incoming GSR's-SENY Tech Committee workshop are open to all regardless of tech abilities-SENY Website is currently being revised for easier access- If you need to reach that web master the address is WEB@SENY.org

VIII. Group Reports:

PR- n/r

GV-n/r

Y&F- no 90 days-Zoom going well on weds & Sat-May need some Literature-Planning a March Anniversary Step Workshop

SR- 2 90 days- spoke about group website and explained that it is working well to disseminate group info mentioned that it is password protected-password given out to those in attendance at the meetings

C by B- couple of 90 days- group is in need of support from the body and the AA community in Rockland- had a lot of January Celebrants

FR-Meeting 6x a week-25 people max.-OT's give up space for New Comers-a couple of 90 days

CW- no 90 days-continuing 3 conference calls per week- 1 Friday in person meeting

3-1- no 90 days-Zooming Wed 7-8 PM-Celebrations @ month's end-Having good luck with internet speakers coming in for the group

S- No 90 day celebrants.

Suffern group has started in person meetings for Tuesday & Saturday 7:15pm meetings only. Virtual meetings will continue during Tuesday 7:15pm & 8:30pm and also Saturday 8:30pm.

* i failed to mention no food or drink allowed, no smoking or vaping on church premises, masks & contact tracing required. Capacity limitations *

NH- formerly silent trying to get going again but having resistance from the facility

WNY- no 90 days-hybrid Mon & Sat at 7pm-Max number of persons is 30 people

X. Old Business:

Spiritual Breakfast(S/B)-Dan And Robert filled the body in about the current state-415 tixs sold-183 fully refunded-115 tix holders donated to AAWS-That still leaves 117 tixs without accountability. It was suggested that it be brought back to the groups again to try and eliminate this lingering issue.

Total donated to AAWS: \$2,875.00

Treasury still holding \$ to be distributed according to the wishes of those outstanding ticket holders

(Inventory Topic 1)-ADCMC Thomas K. mentioned the group inventory taken in December and said that we will be taking it up a topic at a time and for now we will continue with the virtual platform for General Service Meetings, as it was an expressed desire of the body during the process & because it provides accessibility.

XI. New Business:

ADCMC Thomas K. mentioned that RCGS has a commitment at the convention to host a panel-we need a Moderator, Tech Host and three Panelists to present. Our topic is "Practicing AA's 36 Principles In A Changing AA World"—They are also looking for tech volunteers to help run the convention.

Robert F.-(Treasurer) presented his proposed budget to the body (Shared via Screen Sharing), with an explanation that it is currently hypothetical and is still being finalized—Mentioned the need to establish some type of virtual payment method that can be used for the 7th Tradition at all events moving forward—What that method is has yet to be decided, it's still in the works

It was also brought to the attention of the body that we need to rework the budget for a line that would allow for the process started last term of homegrown workshops that the groups hold.

We will proceed with the Skeleton Budget and flesh it out as we go, remembering to keep our prudent reserve in tact

In the budget there is a requested line for the Purchase of a laptop to be used by the Chair of the body— Discussion followed— motion made by New Horizon and seconded by TCO to proceed with the purchase- Poll Launched-Results of Voting 11 yes-2 abstentions- motion passed with substantial unanimity.

Motion to close made by Secretary and Seconded by Fellowship Road

Meeting closed @ 9:10 PM w/ AA Responsibility Statement