

Rockland County AA General Service

FEBRUARY 2021 MINUTES- 2/17/21

DISTRICT 1000- SENY Area 49

Prior to the start of the meeting the body held it's new GSR workshop-Part II

- I. OPENED @ 7:32 PM W/ MOS FOR THE SICK AND DEPARTED-FOLLOWED BY THE SERENITY PRAYER
- II. TRADITION 2 WAS TALKED ABOUT- W/ QUESTION #3 FROM THE GV CHECKLIST BEING USED AS AN EXAMPLE OF THE TRADITION---CONCEPT 2 ALSO MENTIONED IN LIGHT OF QUESTION #3 FROM THE CHECKLIST FOR CONCEPTS USED TO ILLUSTRATE
- III. ROLLCALL/ ATTENDANCE (25 PEOPLE PRESENT)-ADCMC, TREASURER, LIT. CHAIR, ARCHIEVES CHAIR, TOC, SECRETARY, INTERGROUP LIASION, SENY LIASION, THURWAY MEN, ALT GSR SUNRISE, NEW LIGHT GSR, CONGERS WOMEN GSR, ALT GSR GRAPEVINE, SUFFERN GSR, WEST NYACK GSR, FELLOWSHIP ROAD GSR, FOOTPRINTS GSR, PEARL RIVER GSR, CONGERS BY THE BOOK GSR, YOUNG & FREE, SENY SPONSORSHIP CHAIR, SENY CPC CHAIR, SENY CONVENTION CHAIR, SENY CONVENTION PUBLICITY CHAIR, AND 1 GUEST
- IV. PREVIOUS MONTHS MINUTES ACCEPTED WITH OUT CORRECTIONS
- V. TREASURER'S REPORT (ROBERT)

OPENING BALANCE: \$

CLOSING BALANCE: \$

EXPENSES:

\$-LAPTOP FOR DCMC

\$- CHECKS

\$- BANK FEE

INCOME: \$-GV PETTY CASH RETURN

\$- SUNRISE 7TH TRADITION

\$- BANK INTEREST

MOTION TO ACCEPT- REPORT APPROVED

SPECIAL REPORTS:

ITEM 10 ON THE AGENDA WAS MOVED TO THIS PORTION OF THE MEETING:

GAIL - **SENY CPC CHAIR** PRESENTED TO THE BODY WHAT CPC IS AND DOES. SHE MENTIONED VITAL STATISTICS ABOUT THEIR WORK, ALSO MENTIONED THAT THEY ARE WORKING ON A BUDDY SYSTEM FOR PROFESSIONALS TO PAIR WITH AA MEEMBERS. MENTIONED THEIR UPCOMING MEETING. THEIR REGULAR MEETING IS POSTED ON THE SENY CALENDAR.

KEITH- **SENY SPONSORSHIP CHAIR & PROGRAM CHAIR FOR THE CONVENTION** SPOKE ON BOTH TOPICS. SERVICE SPONSORSHIP WAS HIS MAIN TOPIC- EXPLAINED THAT THE COMMITTEE IS THERE TO HELP NEW GSRs GET A SERVICE SPONSOR AND EXPLAINED THE NEED FOR SUCH A SPONSOR. ALL THOSE INTERESTED IN GETTING A SERVICE SPONSOR,

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SHOULD EITHER SIGN UP WITH THE COUNTY OR SENY AND IT WILL BE ARRANGED. IT IS OFTEN A GOOD IDEA TO HAVE SOMEONE NOT IN YOUR DIRECT AREA, AS THIS PERSON THEN HAS A CLEARER PICTURE OF YOUR SERVICE NEEDS— “REMEMBER PRINCIPLES OVER PERSONALITIES”—MENTIONED THAT THE SERVICE SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE MEETS 3RD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH, CHECK THE SENY CALENDER FOR DETAILS

VI. UPCOMING EVENTS:

- NERAASA- February 26-28-FIRST TIME VIRTUAL- DCMC THOMAS SPOKE ON THE FUNCTION. IT IS A SERVICE ASSEMBLY BUT IT IS HELPFUL TO ALL AAs
- SENY CONVENTION-March 5-7- DCMC THOMAS SPOKE ABOUT OUR COMMITMENT TO THE CONVENTION
- VARIOUS SENY COMMITTEE MEETINGS WERE MENTIONED ALL OF WHICH CAN BE FOUND IN THE SENY CALENDER

VII. DCMC & ADCMC REPORTS:

- DCMC THOMAS SPOKE OF THE NEED TO REACH OUT FOR SPANISH SPEAKERS TO HELP MAN THE AA HOTLINE FOR THE COUNTY AS IT IS BECOMING MORE OF A NEED
- BOTH PARTS OF THE CURRENT GSR WORKSHOP ARE NOW POSTED ON THE WEBSITE(ROCKLANDNYAA.ORG)
- WE ARE SET FOR OUR CONVENTION COMMITMENT
- MENTIONED ITEMS FROM THE DELEGATE’S MONTHLY REPORT TO THE DCMCs- first step, to reach out to the groups who have gone silent, and to lead with the question “what can the district / county do to serve your group?”, rather than “why don’t you come to our district meeting?”
- NERAASA is for every A.A. member, whether they are involved in service or not, and it gives people a chance to see service in a new light.
- Questionnaires go out to the groups before **March 20th**
- **Saturday, March 20th** – the Delegate’s Day of Sharing, this year’s Delegate’s Questionnaire will be from 7 to 10
- Because of the relatively short period between DDoS and the **Pre-Conference Assembly on April 10th,** that this is one best time of the year for your group’s voice to be heard at the General Service Conference
- DCMC THOMAS LASTLY MENTIONED OUR DISTRICT INVENTORY: W/ A PLEDGE TO CONTINUE W/ VIRTUAL MEETINGS AS WELL AS THE WORKSHOP MODEL WE HAD BEEN USING
- NO ADCMC REPORT

VIII. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

INTERGROUP:(ANN)- SHARE-A-DAY NEEDS A CHAIR AND A CO CHAIR

LITERATURE: (KERRY)-EXPLAINED WHAT THE COMMITTEE DOES AND DOESN’T DO- THEY COORDINATE ORDERS FOR THE COUNTY—THEY DON’T MAINTAIN AN INVENTORY OF

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LITERATURE—THEY PLACE BULK ORDERS OF \$500 OR MORE FOR A DEEP DISCOUNT AND A 15% SAVINGS TO THE ORDERING GROUPS

I currently have about a \$200 dollar order waiting until I get some more orders to get to \$500. I'm hoping to put that all together in the next 2 weeks.

My email is literature@aarockland.org

Cell 845-***- *874

Please contact me with any questions or if you want to place an order.

SHE HAS ALSO ORDERED 5 COPIES OF THE SERVICE MANUAL

TECHNOLOGY & COMMUNICATIONS (DAN):

- SET UP A GOOGLEGROUPS ACCOUNT SO THAT WE CAN ALL COMMUNICATE QUICKER-IF YOU HAVE REGISTERED WITH AASENY.ORG, THEN YOU ARE A PART OF THE GROUP—IF YOU WISH TO WITHDRAW YOU MAY UNSUBSCRIBE YOURSELF OR CONTACT ME AT: rcgstech@gmail.com
- YOU CAN POST OR SEND AN EMAIL TO: AAROCKLAND@GOOGLEGROUPS.COM
- EXPLAINED SENY'S USE OF AIRTABLE, THEIR REGISTRATION PLATFORM,
- AND HOW IT IS UNDERGOING REVISIONS
- DAN CAN BE REACHED AT: Email is the easiest way to contact me: rcgstech@gmail.com
My cell phone is (845) ***-*546

ARCHIVES CHAIR: (DAVE)- CONTINUING TO WORK ON UPDATING THE HISTORY OF AA IN ROCKLAND COUNTY—NO DISPLAYS DUE TO NO INPERSON MEETINGS—WORKING TO UPDATE THE SENY HANDBOOK FROM THE 1980'S TILL THE PRESENT. THEY ARE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN SERVICE AND GROUP HISTORY INFORMATION TO ADD TO THE ARCHIVES.

IX. GROUP REPORTS:

PR- Our group had No 90-day celebrants for this month. In addition, we continue with three hybrid meetings per week with two on Fridays and one on Sundays. Lastly, the group has decided to donate \$150 to General Service, \$150 to Intergroup, and \$100 to World Services.

WNY- RUNNING THE SAME TWO HYBRID MEETINGS—30 PERSON MAX—HAD A RECENT COVID INCIDENT THAT SHUT THEM DOWN FOR A COUPLE OF DAYS BUT THEY ARE BACK

CW- We continue to have 3 conference call meetings per week - M, Tu, and Thur. at 10:30 a.m. The Monday one is a Step meeting and has been put on the AA meeting list. The Tuesday and Thursday meetings are more informal and just open to those in the group who know about them and others who they tell. On Fridays at noon there is an in-person (limited number, masked and no refreshments) Beginner's meeting. We have no 90-day celebrants this month.

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S- Both Suffern group in person & virtual meetings are going well. No 90-day celebrants this month.

FR- NO 90 DAYERS—4 OR SO NEW COMERS—THEY ARE OPEN 6 DAYS A WEEK F-2-F WITH A 25 PERSON MAX. CONTINUING TO MEET AS ALWAYS AT ST. STEPHAN'S IN PEARL RIVER

TMG-2 90-day celebrants. Meeting 5 nights a week F-2-F @ New Hempstead Pres Church @ 6pm

They are also running virtual meeting 7 nights a week @ 8pm

Y&F--No 90-day celebrants. -Both virtual Meetings on Wednesday and Saturday are going well

We have found a potential place at a church in West Nyack for in person meetings

No updates on our 12-step workshop

FP- We have had about 4-5 90-day celebrants sense we went back to in-person meetings. We have had a lot of new comers join our group also a lot of newcomers attending our meetings. We meet Monday 7:30 for an open meeting. Thursday 6pm for a beginners meeting, and a rotating 7:30 meeting big book and step meeting

C by B- Congers by The Book

-The group is meeting 4 times a week virtually, Mon-Thurs and all meetings are accessible via Rocklandnyaa.org. We will be meeting virtually with no plans to start meeting again in-person for the foreseeable future, but are retaining our meeting place on Highway Avenue, Congers. The group has had six 90-day celebrants within the last six months.

NL- NO 90 DAYS—CURRENTLY RUNNING TWO F-2-F MEETINGS—SUNDAY NIGHT @ 7:30-OPEN SPEAKER BEGINNER & WEDNESDAY @ 7:30 BIG BOOK STUDY

SR- MEETING VIRTUALLY 5 DAYS A WEEK, ATTENDANCE UP CONSIDERABLY SINCE GOING VIRTUAL--NO RECENT 90 DAYERS—CURRENTLY A FEW DAY COUNTERS-RECENTLY CHANGE THE PRUDENT RESERVE TO A MONITARY POSTION FOR REOPENING AND SOME RESTUCTURING OF THE WEB SITE—WEBSITE CONTINUES TO BE A HUGE RESOURCE FOR THE GROUP—ADDED A NEW COMER INFORMATION SECTION TO OUR WEB SITE- VOTED TO ROLL CANCELLED S/B MONIES INTO THE NEXT YR. S/B FUND

GV- The Grapevine Group had no 90 day celebrants but has someone new counting days now.

Our Tuesday 5:15 literature (Grapevine Magazine) meeting and our 6:30 Step meeting now immediately following, using the same Meeting ID and password.

Our Saturday Beginners meeting, immediately followed by our Open Speaker meeting also will share the same ID number and password. All noted on county website.

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- X. **OLD BUSINESS:** TREASURER ROBERT F. REPORTED ON ELECTRONIC MONEY TRANSFERS — WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH GROUP TREASURERS TO DISCUSS THE TRANSFER PROCEEDURE
WOULD LIKE TO CLOSE OUT THE S/B WE STILL HAVE 55 TICKETS THAT ARE UNCLAIMED
- XI. **NEW BUSINESS:**
- DISTRICT SECRETARY KEVIN F. PROPOSED TO BUY 2 COPIES OF THE BIG BOOK AND THE 12 X 12 IN SPANISH AND 2 COPIES OF THE BIG BOOK AND THE 12 X 12 IN FRENCH, TO HAVE ON HAND FOR IMMEDIATE PURCHASE AS IT TAKES TIME TO ORDER AND RECEIVE SUCH COPIES--IT WILL COST THE BOARD APPROX. \$76.00
 - IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT THE MESSAGE GET OUT TO GROUP LITERATURE CHAIRS, THAT PERHAPS THEY SHOULD ADD THESE TO THEIR ORDERS AS THE NEED ARISES
 - DISCUSSED OPEN POSITIONS THAT STILL NEED TO BE FILLED—GSRs SHOULD KEEP MENTIONING THE NEED FILL THESE POSITIONS-ACCESABILITIES, CPC, SPONSORSHIP, GRAPEVINE AND ADCMC
 - IT WAS PROPOSED AND ACCEPTED BY THE BODY THAT FOR ALL INTENTS AND PURPOSES THOMAS WAS THE DEFACTO DCMC AND IT WAS MADE OFFICIAL BY A VOTE OF SUBSTANTIAL UNANIMTY
- XII. **CLOSING-**MOTION TO CLOSE AT 9:02—SECONDED AND ACCEPTED---CLOSED WITH THE RESPONSIBILTY STATEMENT

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