

Rockland County AA General Service

September 2021 Minutes-9/15/21

District 1000- SENY Area 49

- I. **Invocation**- Meeting opened @ 7:30 PM-MOS/Serenity Prayer-followed by Tradition 9/ GV Question 6-Concept 9-GV Question 2
- II. **Rollcall/Attendance**- DCMC, Treasurer, TCO, Secretary, Literature Chair, Archives Chair, Grapevine/La Vina Chair, Intergroup Liaison, FP GSR, PR GSR, W Ny GSR, TMG(out going) GSR, FR GSR, SR GSR, SbyS GSR, S GSR, SOS GSR, GV GSR, Y&F GSR, TMG(New GSR), CbTB GSR, NL GSR—GUESTS: PUTNAM DCMC, RCI WEB ADMINISTRATOR, HOUR OF POWER(VIRTUAL), AREA 49-SENY Corrections Chair
- III. **Minutes**- Presentation of minutes previously distributed for corrections & emendations-Accepted with correction to the Alcathon Committee information from previous meeting
- IV. **Treasurer's Report**- OB- \$ CB- \$

N.B.-THESE AMOUNTS ARE FOR THE 2ND HALF OF MAY TO THE FRST HALF OF SEPTEMBER

EXPENSES: S/B DEPOSIT- \$ **INCOME:** GROUPS-\$

ZOOM LICENSE(RENEW)\$ GROUP LIT.-\$

GROUP LIT. \$ ACCT. INT.- \$

BANK FEES \$

TOTAL-\$ TOTAL- \$

V. **Upcoming Events**-

SEPTEMBER 16-SENY PI-VIRTUAL@ 7:00-8:30

SEPTEMBER 18-SENY CORRECTIONS- VIRTUAL@ 3-4PM

SEPTEMBER 19-SENY LITERATURE-VIRTUAL@ 2-3PM

SEPTEMBER 26- ORANGE COUNT VIRTUAL SPIRITUAL BREAKFAST@9AM-11 AM

SEPTEMBER 26- SENY CONVENTION KICK OFF PLANNING MEETING- VIRTUAL@3-4:30PM

SEPTEMBER 26- SENY SPONSORSHIP-VIRTUAL @ 5-6PM

SEPTEMBER 26-SENY TREATMENT & FACILITIES- VIRTUAL @6-7 PM

FOR ALL OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST CHECK OUT THE SENY EVENTS CALENDAR

VI. **DCMC Report**-

-New "Link "is available on the SENY website-be sure to check it out and make mention of anything that is of interest to your group

-At the September Assembly of the 5 motions before the body only one passed, that was motion two proposed by the Delegate Tom B. and it related to the Spirituality Pamphlet on Faith leaders. The Final voting tally for the Assembly was 1 passed and 4 failed.

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- I have been attending various groups' meetings explaining the function of General Service and asking them to send GSR's to our district meeting—Starting to see results from this approach
- made correction to the May minutes in regard to the Alcathon Chair being the GSR from CbyTB

VII. Standing Committee Reports-

Archives- Not a lot of action due to the number of anniversary cancellations and lack of open meetings. Described the rich history that Rockland has had in the development of AA—*The current Chair has expressed a desire to move on. He has already had the commitment longer than the 5 yrs. that is required.*

He did say by way of explanation that it is a commitment in which you set your own schedule and stressed the importance of attending the Area committee on this topic.

Literature- 2 good sized orders have already gone in over the summer and one is currently in the queue—hoping to place the order in early October—will be taking a few months off for health reasons but explained that the SENY Literature Chair would be more than happy to fill our orders

Mentioned in the category of good and welfare that two longtime members of the Rockland AA Community have passed- Jeanie E and Pat H.

Grapevine/La Vina- N/R

TCO- Continuing to help register new GSRs with SENY and Linking them into our e-mail blasting network.

Always available to individuals and groups that seek tech help. TCO@aarockland.org

Intergroup Liaison- Meeting list approved and updated and sent off to the printer

H&I is currently booked until November

Some of the groups have backed out of the answering service

Woman's Correction to hopefully start up again in the Fall

Hour of Power-Having a virtual workshop on crosstalk- Sept. 26th from 7:30-8:30 on Zoom be on the look- out for the zoom link

They are still looking for co-chairs for Share-A-Day

VIII. Group Reports

CW- we continue with three in-person meetings (Mondays and Fridays at noon; Wed. at 11) and two conference call meetings - Mondays and Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. All of these meetings are now on the Intergroup meeting list. There have been several women coming to the in person meetings who are new to sobriety. We elected some new officers at a recent business meeting, as well as meeting chairs for our in-person meetings. I am still in search of someone to take over as GSR for me. The woman who was 'checking it out' ha decided that she doesn't have time in her busy life to take on this job. There doesn't seem to be much interest in the group; but I will continue my search.

S-The Suffern meeting place (All Souls Church) is being renovated, but all in person meetings are still taking place. The group has resumed service commitment for Wednesday evening Good Samaritan Hospital.

GV- Grapevine 7:45 closed speaker meeting on sat is now at 5:15 with the 6:30 beginners after. Also I would like to mention that the 5:15 in Tuesday is a discussion. They read a story from the GV mag and discuss. We are using a hybrid format still. We had a 42 yr celebrant and a 1 yr. celebrant.

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PR- Our group continues to meet on Fridays at 7:45pm for a Step meeting and 9:00pm for a Beginner's meeting, as well as Sundays at 8:00pm for an Open Speaker meeting. We do not have any 90 day celebrants this month.

Y&F- Attendance is going very well for both meetings. We recently donated \$600.00 to general service. No other news to report."

C B TB- Of our 4 weekly meetings, all are currently hybrid. We will be discussing if we will be keeping our beginners meeting hybrid or turning over to just in person at our upcoming October business meeting. We have welcomed 3 new group members recently. 1 90 dayer.

FR- Fellowship one 90 Day. Meetings back 6 days a week attendance slowly increasing. Lots of new faces. Mandatory Masking for all participants has been dropped, only the unvaccinated need mask up. BYO beverages.

FP- We have 3 90 day celebrants in our home group. 3 90 day celebrants, 1 ONE year celebrant. Total of 10 celebrants with one member celebrating 47years. Still Monday 7:30 pm open meeting, Thursday 6pm beginners meeting, 7:30pm alternating big book and step meeting. Due to renovation at the River church we have moved to United Methodist Church on Franklin street.

SR- Recently completed rotational elections- New chair, Treasurer, Secretary and GSR. The group at the last BM voted to remain Hybrid and a committee was formed to look into the purchasing of new equipment and for setting up procedures to run the tech end of the meeting. Mask are still mandatory for vaccinated and unvaccinated and contact tracing is still being enforced. No 90 Day info at this time.

TMG- 5 90 day celebrants. Starting Oct. 1 only Coffee will be served. Rotational commitments were done at the last meeting and all is well with that process. I am stepping down due to a move away from the area but my new replacement is at his meeting tonight.

SBS(TC)- In person meetings are: Tuesdays @ 7:30 Beginner's Meeting. Beginning 9/23 Thursday @ 7:30 Step Meeting. Last Thursday of every month is anniversary celebration....all are welcome. This month we have a 13 yr and a 1 yr. celebrant. No coffee or snacks are being served at this time, you can BYO. Masks are required for non-vaccinated attendees. We have no 90 day celebrants this month. We have 2 celebrants for the month of September. Our positions are filled with the exception of an Intergroup rep. We will be announcing that need at our meetings. Had rotational elections for the group. Trying to get a Friday meeting started.

SOS- Meetings are in person on Thursdays from 6:30 PM-7:30 PM at Tappan Reformed Church & Sundays from 9:30-10:30 AM at The Red Barn (Manse Barn). Masks are not mandatory for those fully vaccinated. Virtual Meetings are still in session as an online option.

WNY- Still running Hybrid meetings. 1 90 dayer.

NL- Completed rotational elections. Working on their By-laws and Group conscious. Elected a new GSR.

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HOP(Virtual)- sent a guest to the meeting with a report that they are going to register with GSO and the Area. That they are currently running fairly large numbers still at their Virtual Meeting Space. They meet 3 times daily: 8, 12 & 6. They have plans to hold a workshop in September on the issue of "Cross Talk In Meetings".

IX. OLD BUSINESS- Still looking to fill ADCMC, Accessibilities, PI/CPC, Sponsorship. AI were reminded to keep mentioning this to their groups.

- Alcathon- still trying to organize the committee. Possible locations mentioned to be scouted-discussed the possibility of it being virtual as well as live—GSR's advised to go back to home groups and start finding out who wants to be a part of it for the next District Meeting. Currently is being Chaired by the GSR from CbTB. Contact her for information as it develops.

There was a suggestion that Hour of Power would like to do a Xmas Alcathon and that it would be in conflict with the one that is typically run by RC General Services- some discussion followed.

- By-Laws Ad Hoc Committee Chair reported back to the group that work was proceeding slowly and with deliberation but that progress is slowly being made. It is the Chairs hope that they can be completed by the November District Meeting.
- S/B- The current Chair needs help as the other CO-Chair had to backout. But none the less plans are still moving forward. A date has been set. It will be in the Spring of 2022-Sunday April 10th from 9- 12 and it will be at the Pearl River Hilton as it was once in the past before the pandemic.

X. NEW BUSINESS- We once again brought up the Spanish speaking issue and the possibility of forming a "NEW" Liaison Position that would be responsible for this issue. There was some discussion as to whether this position should be written into the By-laws. It was referred to the By-law committee for further action. The GSR's were asked to start collecting names of bilingual members that would be interested in being a part of this. Further discussion will happen on this at a later date.

At this point in the Meeting the SENY corrections Chair was given a chance as a guest to speak to the body about what the corrections committee does. He spoke about the sponsorship program that they have with prisons. A committee member mentioned that there is also the Corrections Correspondence program that anyone can participate in. It was suggested that you search for the AA pamphlet that explains all the details. Contact forms for this can be obtained from the Corrections Desk at The GSO Office in NYC.

XI. Closing- The meeting closed @ 9 PM w/ the AA Responsibility Statement