

General Service Reps Meeting
June 21, 2021
Virtual meeting

Opened with a piece on unity

Minutes from 04/19 were screen shared. Ann accepted the motion with 2 amendments. Karen seconds

Declaration of Unity

Anniversaries:

Barb S - 6/16 5years

Nissa - 6/6 10 years

Marty - 6/16 35 years

Samantha - 6/28 2years

Brian - 7/7 8 years

Rich - 35 years

Any discussions on Home Groups:

- Frank GSR our home group is changing their format on Saturday night to a BB study - asked for assistance on how to do this. Karen suggests he update the meeting list.
- Brian brought up that his group does not have hybrid meeting but opted for 2 separate meetings: 1 online and 1 in person meeting

Nissa - Area Chair/SENY Convention Chair

- Wants to talk about Tradition 5. We do this to keep our meeting and the message going and to keep the doors open to meet our primary purpose. We get many newcomers. It's amazing that we've kept this going by staying sober and helping other alcoholics. What I say trickles down from the SENY level to the GSR and then back to the group.

Raquel - Unity Breakfast Chair

- Lack of progress. Approached on April 25th as the current chair couldn't complete her service. Has been in touch with her service sponsor and Marty. Pooled 4 people together to form a committee. People aren't volunteering to do service. We have a budget of \$2,000, Tech 12 requires \$1,500, we would have activities but we were denied phones. This event should be about re-invigorating people.
- Translation done behind the scenes which led to confusion.
- We can't move forward without Tech 12 support.
- Committee decisions were overridden and broken down. If you decide a regular interactive meeting on the Zoom platform we will do this.

Regine - Unity Breakfast committee member

- The \$1,193 from clusters 203 and 216 can you sponsor us and allow us to use this money? Per Marty the custom is to make a decision based on thousands of alcoholics. We have tech people in place and translation via Chris L who has upgraded our account.

- Ann - the \$1,500 for Tech 12 we on the steering committee were looking into being non profit and need an attorney and Insurance. Right now we are not so sure.
- Karen amended this motion to include money from the prudent reserve
- Kevin - \$2,000 was to hold the venue and replaced at the end of the event - this is considered seed money and earmarked for this purpose
- A motion was made to amend this motion for a new date - motion passed with 2/3 votes.
- Regine - There have been times in the past where money wasn't recouped and GSO kicked in money. There's \$35,000 in Prudent Reserve, what is it being used for or is it not being used.
- Marty - This is a service event where we had service tables in the corridor. This is a free event, no virtual basket.
- Melanie - interesting that this committee was thinking differently. They are creating fellowship and I appreciate this. Make the investment to see how it goes and include breakout rooms. Let's postpone this to get people more involved and engaged. Perhaps in the fall and in person. These are trusted servants that put this together.
- Marty - Breakout rooms were designed for CPC events, etc.
- Karen - No reason why we can't support this and I agree we can't do this by Sunday. This needs to be postponed. We need to think outside the box
- Brian supports what Karen said.
- Marty - Flyers were sent widespread
- Kevin - Take the money from the Prudent Reserve
- Karen - Prudent reserve is only \$4,500

Raquel - DCM Report on Clusters 208, 209, 211

- Nothing to report

Corrections Chair

- Upcoming events - Conference on the Zoom Platform this Saturday at 10am. If you would like to be a part of corrections correspondence in another state it would be anonymous. This is safe if you keep your correspondence to AA. We don't give money or set up their commissary. Last week we were welcomed back to Nassau County Corrections. From 11/12 through 11/14 is a corrections conference which is hybrid.

Chris H - Relocation

- Motion to go live to meetings that don't meet on Mondays St. Lukes in Baldwin. 65 chairs max, rent would be \$30 and we would meet the 3rd Monday of the month

Chris H - Treatment

- Joe D stepped down, got the bin from him. Bridging the Gap - 14 volunteers covered 8 towns
- Needs a list of GSR's
- Pamphlets F183 and F184 to be distributed. Chris will meet you at a meeting and give these out We will utilize Jim M's Google Voice

Marty – DCMC

- Tom B our delegate is going to share his presentation from the General Service Conference at the next GSR meeting on 08/16

Ann G. – 1st Alt DCMC

- Service sponsors and why you need one: to explain our rules, procedures, traditions and concepts and how we run our meeting. Districts are broken into clusters with DCM's and we discuss general service events.

Steve S. – 2nd Alt DCMC

- Liaison for LICYPAA – At LICYPAA.org and AFG (AI-Anon Family Groups)
- Dylan will report on LICYPAA
- Steve will handle speaking at schools with both an AA and an AI-Anon speaker
- Is handling the Big Meeting in December and will be asking people to send pictures of their home group without people in the pictures
- On 7/7th Steve will attend a meeting to discuss this

Karen K. – Treasurer

- Screen shared treasurer's report
- Took in \$4,670, based on budget we should have gotten \$6,000
- \$210 for pamphlets for CPC
- \$14.99 for Zoom monthly subscription
- \$30 for Unity BReakfast Flyers
- We spent 14%
- Operating income for April \$307
- Operating income for May \$782
- Prudent reserve is \$4,500
- We are currently making money, which is not good.
- Motion to accept - Linda D., Barbara S. seconds the motions

Barbara S. - Intergroup Liaison

- Still investigating Grasshopper
- Has information about Liz B.'s anniversary
- There was no Intergroup meeting for June
- Next Intergroup meeting is 7/18
- There are 331 meetings open in Suffolk County, 13 in Putnam, etc.
- Brooklyn AA Historical Book Club Discussion meeting every 4th Sunday on the book "Pass it On"
- Brooklyn Share-A-Day June 26th

Linda D. – Grapevine/LaVina

- SENY has surplus of Grapevine literature
- They compiled a list - we can email this list
- We can purchase for ourselves or for CPC/PI
- NYSIW July 30th through July 31st
- Grapevine writing workshop Nassau County - September 21st

- The new conference approved preamble in the July edition of Grapevine. You can now use it.

Jim C. – Archives

- Since the last meeting the accessibilities survey was archived. Also archived was Marie's history of Hurricane Sandy, documenting how area 49 people stayed sober in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy
- To submit your stories on Hurricane Sandy and sobriety, send to Jerry R. in Staten Island
- Is attending the National Archives workshop in person for a total of \$1,235. I will be keeping a diary of my expenses. This is a proposed budget

Kristin D. – CPC

- National CPC/PI event on July 24th to explain to professionals what AA is
- This committee meets the first Monday of the month - July 7th

PI CHAIR

- We still need a chairperson
- Kevin took this position
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Melanie H. – Website Chair

- Everything looks good on the website
- Potentially creating a website committee
- Need an email administrator

Mario. P. – Hispanic District 214

- Absent

Dylan - LICYPAA

- Zoom pride event - June 26th 2-5pm
- Luau at Robert Moses Park - \$10 for parking
- Campout in Wildwoods State Park - September 10th through 12th

NEW BUSINESS

- Regine - Adhoc committee for LISTS - First meeting 6/24
- Chris H - 31st Bridging the gap weekend is a budget starting at \$600
- Jim C.'s archive trip - Brian motions to support this, Kevin seconds the motion. It was passed by a majority vote
- Chris H - Rock Island - Brian motions to support, Ann seconds the motion. Passed by majority vote
- Linda D. - Grapevine
 - L.O.T.H. Comics the book is called "Take me to your Sponsor" Books are in Spanish as well
 - We can donate to jails
 - \$500 is needed to buy literature - Deb made a motion to support this, Kevin seconds, Passed by a majority vote

- Next virtual GSR meeting August 16th
- Marty motions to close the meeting, Ann seconds

Closed with the Responsibility Statement