

WESTERN NEW YORK OA INTERGROUP MEETING MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 10, 2018

OFFICERS:

- Chairperson: Carol S.
- Treasurer: sue s.
- Secretary: carole h
- Literature: liz o
- WSO delegate and alternate: positions open

COMMITTEES:

- Hotline: Amy K-S
- Meeting List: Janet m
- Public Information: vacant
- Special Events: vacant
- Hospitality: Joanie L.
- Designated downloaded:

Carole s. opened the meeting at 8:33am with the Serenity Prayer.

- 12 Steps read by Sue S.
- 12 traditions read by Maureen
- 12 Concepts of Service read By Amy K-S
- reading on service read by

Members Present:

1. Sally H. (voting) (mon rep)
2. Sue M. (Voting)(sun rep)
3. Maureen S.(Voting)(sat rep)
4. Carol S (tiebreaker)
5. Sue S. (Treasuer)(voting)
6. Amy K-S (voting) (Thursday rep)
7. Liz O (voting) (lit and Friday rep)
8. Carole H (secretary)(voting)
9. Janet M. (Meeting list)

Guests: Sara J.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: copies of the Dec. 2017 were distributed by carole h.

Motion to accept: Sally H.

Second: Maureen S.

Motion carried

TREASURER'S REPORT:

See attachment of report submitted by Sue S.

Motion to accept: liz O.

Second: Sue S.

Motion carried

Sue S. is able to carry out her term of treasurer through May 2018. A replacement will be needed. There is a one year abstinence requirement. IG thanked Sue for her service.

LITERATURE REPORT:

Liz H. Submitted an oral report:

Motion to accept: Sally

Second: Maureen

Motion carried

REGION 6

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GROUP REP REPORTS:

Sat meeting needs a rep for the meeting list

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MEETING LIST: Janet M. , distributed new lists

HOTLINE: no changes, reported by Amy K-S

DESIGNATED DOWNLOADER: position open

WNY WEBSITE : another meeting to be scheduled with Julia

OLD (unfinished) BUSINESS:

1. Retreat: Carole H. Stated up to three speakers will be coming, can IG reimburse for up to three room and boards estimated to be 90.00 each. IG estimated the trip may cost 400.00 for travel alone. Discussion.
Motion made by Sue M. To pay for up to three room and boards for three speakers and mileage at the going rate. Seconded and motion passed.

2. Discussion on why are the monthly celebrations so poorly attended?
Possibly weather, illness, it's always the same people there, is the info being disseminated? Should more

Events be scheduled for summer? There weren't a lot of newcomers at the last workshop on sponsorship. How can we attract younger people? Could group reps be more "electric" when talking about these events? It's all about the packaging. Personal invitations work well. The workshops in the distant past were not well planned, although recent ones were excellent. An emphasis on service is needed. We need to be the change we want to see. Are we leaders at our meetings? We can be useful to each other as temporary sponsors. We enable each other with service positions. Can we nurture our recoveries on one oa meeting a week, but nothing in between? Doesn't recovery take more than one meeting a week? Is abstention from c.o. not valued? At retreat, possibly offering temporary sponsorship from members there. There will most likely be activities to connect people at the retreat. There is a committee of how to handle a new comer in the meetings. The first step should be focused on. Adding a few lines about service in the format. Discussion halted as the above committee was asked to set up a meeting and report back to IG with their findings.

NEXT IG MEETING:

- Place: St. Stephens church
750 Wehrle drive,
Williamsville, NY 14225
- Date: March 3, 2018
- Time: 8:30 am

NEW BUSINESS:

Survey monkey still needs to be sent out, questions have already been written.

- motion to close the meeting by Liz O.
- Seconded by Carole H.
- Motion carried

Meeting with recitation of the serenity prayer at 9:41
Adjournment