

Minutes of Queens County General Service Assembly 02-25-2021

Meeting began at 7:30 pm.

Bert L. - Opening Service Prayer
Adina - Statement of Purpose
Maura - Registrar. Confirmed Quorum

GSRs introduced:

Sherry C - Stick With The Winners
Greg - Alt for Queens Gratitude
Cathy - Oakland Gdns
Mick - Rockaway
Constantine - Survivors
Bev - Love and Sharing
Eileen - We Group
Steve - South Ozone Park
Barbara - Alt for Lighthouse
Joe - Hardheads
Neil - Gift of Desperation
Diane - Alt for South Ozone Park

DCMs introduced:

Shawna - District 301
Raj - District 305
Ed - District 312

Visitors introduced:

Kathy - SENY Convention Chair
Gail - SENY CPC Chair
Keith - SENY Service Sponsor Chair

Secretary's report: Cheryl

No minutes from December meeting available. Request to table until next meeting. Request granted.

Treasurer's report: Jan

Group donations - \$735

Expenses - \$240.48

Account balance above reserve - \$3609.74

Total bank balance - \$14,890.74

Some questions about group donations not reflected in the report. Treasurer will follow up.

Treasurer will share detailed report upon request. Treasurer's report accepted.

County Chair reports:

IG Liaison - Roslyn

Attended the NYIG meeting.

Concerns that hybrid and in-person meetings not adequately advertised.

QIG re-design of website.

NYIG will conduct workshops to help groups during the transition from virtual to hybrid/in-person meetings.

NYIG ended the past year in the black.

Queens County General Service Handbook available on the County website.

PI - Emily

Attended the SENY PI committee meeting.

Provide information about AA to the public - what AA is and is not.

Procedure for AA members to use available on the SENY website.

Get 'tech-savvy' person to work on the optimization of the SENY website i.e. improve visibility when a search for 'alcoholism' or similar search terms are entered in Google and other search engines. Need for trusted servants to be involved in PI work.

Need to carry on the work of the late Antonio G in providing copies of The Big Book and pamphlets in Queens Public Library branches. Cater to the language specific needs of each of the diverse communities.

Upcoming SENY convention will host a workshop on PI.

Martin will contact Emily about drug awareness in local community groups. Treasurer will look into funding for The Big Book placements. Possibility of contributions specifically for this.

Gail will conduct workshop at SENY on CPC. Will illustrate the difference between PI and CPC.

Queens area representative for NYIG - Michael

NYIG needs money. Contributions appreciated.

Newsletter Chair - Patti

Newsletter completed and sent to Adina. Question on payment for the Canva software program used for creating the newsletter. Motion made for county to pay the annual subscription of \$179.87. Motion carried. Newsletter available on website. Adina will distribute to GSRs.

Old Business - DCMC and Alt-DCMC:

Cheryl introduced as Share-A-Day Chair for 2021. Cheryl will be asking for help on the committee, including Venue Chair.

Open Positions:

- Accessibility
- Treatment Facilities
- Corrections
- CPC
- Grapevine
- Service Sponsor

CPC Chair from SENY - Gail

- History and growth of CPC; some overlap with PI
- Will conduct workshop at SENY; members urged to attend committee meetings
- Ways to reach underserved communities - BIPOC
- 12 Steps multiplied
- Cooperate not affiliate
- Flyer to be posted to Queens County website
- Information to share with doctors e.g. Dr. Bob's letter; Health Care Professionals pamphlet

Service Sponsor Chair from SENY - Keith

Spoke about the difference between a Step Sponsor and a Service Sponsor. Importance of being sensitive to the Traditions. Ask Service Sponsor for guidance when in doubt. Understand The Concepts. SENY website has form for people needing a Service Sponsor and for those wishing to be Service Sponsors.

SENY Convention 2021 Chair - Kathy

March 5-9. Theme: AA in a Time of Change.

Workshops from all the counties in Area 49, including presentation from Al-Anon and Alateen
Full program on SENY website. Registration \$20 and 'Dance Card' will allow joining and leaving meeting. Audio download offered as a memento. Open service positions for tech support. Alcathon speakers needed. Virtual dance.

Upcoming meetings:

Nerassa - Feb 26-28; Delegate's Day of Sharing - March 20

7th Tradition for this meeting - \$15. Contributions may be made on the County website. Treasurer asked that contributors specify County General Assembly

Motion to close. Motion passed.

Meeting ended at 8:58 pm.

