

SLAA Greater NY Intergroup - December 2019 Minutes
December 8, 2019
Secretary: Alex Q

The regular monthly business meeting for SLAA Greater NY Intergroup was held on December 8, 2019, at 3:30-5:30, at St Francis of Assisi, 135 W 31st St, NYC, Room 3.

The officer attendees present were: Chair (Sam), Secretary (Alex Q), Literature (Jenny), Journal Rep (Kara), Communications (Dan). Treasurer was absent.

Other attendees were: Rebecca (Women's Wed Brooklyn mtg), Ava (Saturday 6p mtg), Cassandra (Wed 12p mtg), Lauren (Friday night mtg), Tyler, Yitzy (Sunday 11am mtg) REMOTE, Anthony (Monday men's mtg) REMOTE, Julia (Women's Sat Brooklyn mtg), Paul (By-laws committee).

I. OPENING

Opened with the trusted servants prayer, reading of 12 steps, 12 traditions, and the Guidelines for Safety.

II. REPORTS

A. November 2019 Minutes

Minutes were accepted by acclamation.

B. Treasurer — Not presented

C. Literature

Jenny gave the following report

- \$108 in sales at November event
- Current balance: \$897
- All cash moved into Capital One account
- We have a lot of focus booklets, step guides,
- Stock value: \$550

D. Communications

Dan gave the following report:

- 17 emails
 - Elias (Thursday Anorexia meeting) sent a check for \$81 for insurance that hasn't been cashed yet
 - Barry emailed asking about protocol for minors in meetings and people who mention self-harm
 - 46th street clubhouse needs SLAA meeting

- No meetings in Queens / Bronx
- Still missing contact info for Tuesday withdrawal meeting
- We now have email list for 59 people who are interested in doing service for IG. We should start an Intergroup rep list (maybe project for the next 6 months)

Comments / Questions:

- Alex needs a space for the Women of Color meeting, Dan will put her in touch with 46th street clubhouse
- Rebecca potentially starting a women's anorexia meeting, Dan will put her in touch with 46th street clubhouse
- Kara - how about adding a texting line?
- Cassandra may start a Long Island City meeting

All reports were accepted by acclamation.

III. ANCILLARY REPORTS

A. Journal

Kara gave the following report:

- We did not elect a Journal rep for 2020
- We need to renew the Intergroup subscription

B. ABM 2019

- Ava gave the following report:
 - Board and Conference Finance committees are looking into the policy for the prudent reserve
 - Anorexia 8-9 is being written if anyone wants to contribute
- Sam gave the following report:
 - Looking for volunteers for the Copyright and Translations committee.

C. Events Committee

Kara gave the following report

- 65 people came to the November 17 spirituality event
- Expenses \$340 (\$200 for rent)
- Gross income \$626
- Net profit: \$206
- Started the event a bit late, turnout seemed poor at first
- \$15 suggested donation, avg donation was about \$9
- Constructive feedback — the schedule hadn't been made available
- Chair of chairs format worked very well
- Would have liked a treasurer chair
- Summary of workshop on printed agenda might be helpful
- AA has online guide on how to do events
- Talent show — might be helpful to keep it to PG13 content

- No post mortem call
- 16 people went out to celebrate afterwards
- Someone brought candy, can we keep recovery events as safe as possible

D. Newcomer Introduction Pamphlet — Not presented

IV. REQUESTS FOR NEW BUSINESS

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. Elect a new literature chair for 2020

Alex nominated Cassandra. She accepted.

2. Thursday 6pm meeting request - Intergroup to allow members to sponsor topics

Yitzy makes a motion for local groups to determine their own speakers and topics for share-a-day. Motion is not seconded, it fails.

3. Term limits - 6 years

Yitzy makes a motion to cap IG service positions at 6 years effective immediately. Kara motions to table the motion and Yitzy to come back with a clear motion. Motion to table passed unanimously.

4. Review new proposed by-laws

- (Paul) We have no procedure in the by-laws for dismissing officers. Article 6 Section A mentions they may be dismissed if not taking care of duties but it does not mention how.
- Kara motions to leave as is p. 4/10 point 7. Paul makes a friendly amendment to revisit this in 2 months to allow for research. Passes unanimously.
- (Sam) Typo — should be “Herein after”
- (Sam) Article 3 section B - Election of IG reps - soften the language to “it is suggested that” instead of “should”
- (Jenny) Please spell out “Intergroup Rep” instead of IR
- (Kara) Should there be a by-law about sobriety requirements for IG reps?
- (Sam) Article 3 Section D (2)
- (Ava) page 2 / 10

Sam tables the by-laws review to the next meeting.

Sam suggests a special bylaws meeting in January. Sam and Jenny volunteer to join bylaws committee with Paul.

5. Elections - Asking nominees to leave room for discussion (Didn't get to this)

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Journal rep nominations

Ava volunteers to be the journal rep. She is voted in by acclamation.

2. Announcements to Intergroup (Didn't get to this)
3. Website update (Didn't get to this)

VIII. BRING BACK TO MEETINGS

- Looking for volunteers for Copyright and Translations committee.
- Email for new lit person cassandra11@gmail.com

IX. CLOSED WITH THE SERENITY PRAYER