

SLAA Greater NY Intergroup - May 2019 Minutes  
May 5, 2019  
Secretary: Alex Q

The regular monthly business meeting for SLAA Greater NY Intergroup was held on May 5, 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) REMOTE, Communications (Dan M) REMOTE. Treasurer, Communications. Journal Rep, Outreach Chair were absent.

Other attendees were Judy (Bylaws & Events Committee), Kara (outgoing 2017-2018 ABM delegate), Ava (workshop committee), Ray (Thursday Relationships rep), Kevin (St Monday 6p rep), Annette (Saturday 11am literature chair), Leslie (Sunday Women's rep) REMOTE, Kris (Monday night UWS rep), Tom (Friday meeting rep)

## I. OPENING

Meeting started with trusted servants prayer, reading of 12 steps, 12 traditions.

Chair read the new PROPOSED RULES OF SAFETY. Comments:

- (Kara) Remove the word "rules"

## II. REPORTS

### **A. April 2019 Minutes**

They were accepted by acclamation.

### **B. Treasurer**

Treasurer absent. Chair read email report sent by Treasurer.

Quick report is that we have the same money we had last month, minus the check to Judy for our event, plus two checks picked up last week from the po box. I haven't checked PayPal recently but I will check when I get back and include it in my April report.

Sam (somewhat politely) requests that someone send him the letterhead to make the ownership change for the treasury PO Box. Jenny will see if she has it.

Report was accepted by acclamation.

### **C. Literature**

Sales slowed down in April. Jenny made an order for 26 basic texts (\$16.25 per book) and some other pamphlets (guide to the steps, anorexia recovery tools). The order totals \$777. We have \$886.19 cash on hand.

Jenny couldn't find a diversity pamphlet. Kara mentions there is a Diversity committee at the FWS that works on such initiatives. Alex volunteers to help Jenny look into this.

A request was made to shorten the accounting report.

Report was accepted by acclamation.

#### **D. Communications**

- 15-16 emails received in April. There is an upcoming summer retreat for women. June 23 event flyer will be up on the website.
- We are still missing some meeting contacts — Little room meeting, withdrawal meeting, Saturday 6p meeting, avoidance meeting.
- Dan needs a PayPal account to link the donation button to on the website. He needs to talk to the Treasurer about this.
- Dan hasn't had time to create a pdf version of meetings list yet.
- We still need volunteers to help respond to phone calls. Dan proposes the following requirements for the volunteer position: 30 days of self defined sobriety and should be familiar to the community and meetings.

Report was accepted by acclamation.

### III. ANCILLARY REPORTS

**A. Journal:** Not presented. No journal rep.

#### **B. Fellowship Wide Services Committees**

(Kara) Finance committee — IFD for 2019 ABM: conference committee budgets.

(Sam) Steps, Traditions, Concepts — 12 & 12 booklet and 12 concepts booklet work: Concept 4 is wrapping up. He is working on Step 8. Please let Sam know if people are interested in helping with these committees

Sam proposes he write something up to send around to meetings to let people know about opportunities to volunteer for these committees.

Jenny proposes adding “how to get involved in creating / supporting literature” to the website (get in touch with Jenny / Sam via email)

Report was accepted by acclamation.

### **C. Events Committee**

June 23 event flyer is done and should be distributed to meetings. Judy wants to arrange recovery book swap. Total spent on event so far: printing 250 flyers cost \$18 + \$240 for room. Foods / refreshments haven't been decided but will probably spend around \$100 - \$150. The total budget for the event is around \$400.

We need to add "sponsored by NYC Intergroup" to the flyer and information about the book swap.

**D. ABM 2019/2020:** Not presented

**E. Accessibility:** Not presented

**F. Outreach:** Not presented

Judy motions that accessibility + outreach reports be removed. Motion passed (7 in favor, 1 opposed).

### **G. By-Laws**

(Judy) By-Laws committee work is on hold until July (after the workshop).

## IV. REQUESTS FOR NEW BUSINESS

1. Paypal link
2. Vote on phone volunteer requirements

## VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. By-Laws
2. Group Inventory
3. Need to elect a new Journal rep.
4. Journal publications to be included in Literature – request for \$50
5. Newcomer introduction to practices and procedures in Intergroup
6. Business meeting "script" for use at Intergroup meetings.
7. Time limits for report presentations
8. Clarification of process of movement of new business to old business to motion to action
9. Pamphlets for racial minorities

Motions to remove (2) Group inventory, (4) Journal publications to be included in Literature purchases, (7) Time limits for report presentations, and (9) Pamphlets for racial minorities. Motions passed.

**Updated OLD BUSINESS list:**

1. By-Laws
2. Need to elect a new Journal rep.
3. Newcomer introduction to practices and procedures in Intergroup
4. Business meeting “script” for use at Intergroup meetings.
5. Clarification of process of movement of new business to old business to motion to action

VII. NEW BUSINESS

**1. Announcements to Intergroup:** None

**2. Sending additional delegates to ABM**

Tom notes that sending 2 people is 4/5 of our annual budget.

Tom motions to table this discussion since it only costs an additional \$50 to purchase tickets after the early bird deadline. Motion passed (7 in favor, 0 opposed).

Kara motions to collect more money from meetings (suggested donation of \$2 / member) to send more people. Motion passed (8 in favor, 0 opposed).

**— Did not get to the following —**

3. How to fund sending additional delegates to ABM
4. Paypal link for website
5. Vote on phone volunteer requirements
6. Find a way to let all St Francis meetings know about insurance that needs to be paid (tabled to next meeting)

VIII. BRING BACK TO MEETINGS

- Share flyer for June 23 workshop
- Start collecting money for 2nd ABM delegate at meetings
- Journal rep position
- Phone volunteers needed

IX. CLOSED WITH THE SERENITY PRAYER