

Intergroup Meeting
SLAA Intergroup (New York and Northern NJ)
11/13/22
Anne B taking notes

The meeting was delayed one week due to the Share-a-day event the previous weekend.

An incorrect link to today's meeting was sent out by e-mail than the one posted on the web site. That Zoom meeting was ended and the Intergroup re-opened on the link on the website. We wondered if some people may have missed getting into today's meeting.

Opening

Trusted Servants Prayer
Steps
Traditions
Concepts

Introductions
Mark - chair
Cara - treasurer
Anne — secretary
Claudia — Fri 6:15pm Zoom
Ali— women's daily topline
Ava — Sat 6pm beginners in person

Guidelines

Reports

Minutes (Anne)

The minutes were read. Aside from a number of typos, no objection was raised.

Treasurer (Cara)

Full treasurer's report in the agenda document that was distributed via e-mail.

Salient points:

- Share-a-day expenses: \$3020
- ABM expenses \$5.4k
- Liquid balance \$6,899.45

The treasurer proposes we finance another group to go to ABM

Communications

Dan missing, so no report

New Meeting at Park Slope started. 14+ people on the first night

Meeting registrar

Vanessa missing, so no report

We need to contact her to find out what changes were made to meeting lists

Ancillary committee reports

nothing from FWS committees

Events

Event chair missing

Discussion of Share-a-day event to be held at end

New officers

Elections have been postponed to December

Additional nominations requested – none appeared at this meeting

Old Business

Re: Improving attendance — since the communications committee is not present, this is tabled. One issue is that in person meetings are just starting up.

Re: money to send to other Intergroups to attend ABM — no second appears, so discussion does not proceed

New Business

Motion to discuss Share-a-Day, seconded

Comments:

- Joe & Dan worked very hard and it was a lot. They were amazing, but more volunteers were needed.
- It was nice to have so many people together for in person
- Workshops on non-program topics
- Facilities/logistics issues
 - The original plan was to have live-streaming in the library and then have meeting and fellowship in the larger rooms. This didn't work because the Wi-Fi was too spotty in the library, so live-streaming had to be in one of the larger rooms
 - The library was then the fellowship room, but people did not realize that and not that many took advantage of it. There were snacks – but not beverages. Some were thirsty. The library generally did not work for workshops, because it had a large table, which prevented movement, which many

workshops wanted to do.

- The thin partition between the larger rooms made louder workshops interfere with the speaker meetings
- The Zoom part did not work well. On Saturday, the live-stream was freezing. One could re-load and get a bit, and then it would freeze again. Sunday didn't work at all. Dan was able to use his cell phone for part of it.
- We had hired a consultant who provided mixer, mics, and camera
- In one meeting, the leader brought her own laptop and used her phone as a Wi-Fi hotspot. She used the laptop camera, pointed at the audience. That worked fine

MOTION:

Ask Dan to ask for a refund == seconded

passes unanimously

Motion to close meeting, seconded, passes

Take home items:

1. We need officer candidates for the December meeting
2. FWS suggests us to register all NY IG-affiliated groups. Groups should do this themselves. Note that being registered is NOT the same as having the group listed on the FWS website. Registered groups have a registration number to keep track of donations to FWS, and will enter NY IG's group total for purposes of evaluating how many representatives we get to send to ABM. Go to <https://slaafws.org/registermeeting/>
3. FWS is looking for places to host the 2023 ABM. NY IG may submit an application.