



Greater New York Intergroup SLAA

Meeting Minutes – September 10, 2023

I. OPENING

A. Prayer for Trusted Servants

B. SLAA 12 Steps and 12 Traditions

C. Introductions and “check-ins”

- Mark - Chair
- Tavia - Secretary
- Claudia - ABM Delegate
- Joe - Thursday 7pm City Lights
- Cara - Treasurer
- Dan - Vice Chair/Communications Chair
- Heather - Tuesday Women's Path to Freedom / Wednesday's Solution is Spiritual (online)
- Ava - Saturday's Beginner's
- Kimberly - Women's Daily Toplines

D. Spiritual Timekeeper – Is there a volunteer to act as Spiritual Timekeeper? [Heather](#)

II. REPORTS

A. Summary of discussions, motions from last IG meeting
[Read by Mark S. and approved](#)

B. This month's treasurer report

Please find the Attached August 2023 Report

The August *Liquid Balance* \$4,132.53

(ABM Prudent \$5500 (depleted) (Prudent reserve \$2500)

The Bank Balance is \$6,632.53

Still Outstanding Expenses:

2023- \$550 liability insurance.

[See complete report at the end of this document.](#)

Please find the Attached July 2023 Report

The July *Liquid Balance* \$3,912.00

(ABM Prudent \$5500 (depleted) (Prudent reserve \$2500)

The Bank Balance is \$6,412.30

Still Outstanding Expenses:

2023- \$550 liability insurance.

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ABM 2023 Expenses

ABM Registration Airline Transport /Meals Total

George \$1675.00 \$667.80 \$2,342.80

Claudia \$1535.00 \$960.06 \$ 202.52 \$2,697.58

Cara \$1675.00 \$833.93 \$ 367.06 \$2,875.99

Alicia \$750.00 \$N/A n/a \$750.00

Total \$5,635.00 \$2,461.79 \$569.58 \$8,666.37

ABM total as of July 31, 2023 \$8,666.37

C. Communications report

Between August 8th and today, we received 10 emails, slightly below our monthly average.

- a) 6 general inquiries
- b) 4 sponsorship list inquiry
- c) 2 voicemails on our new number and Google Workspace account. Need volunteers.

Venmo balance is \$369.49 up from \$209.70 last month.

Thank you for your help! We now have 18 sponsors on the sponsorship list. We have one new female sponsor! Contact info@slaany.org for link to sponsorship list.

Cara is going to look into a disclaimer to put onto our sponsorship list to avoid liability when matching sponsors with sponsees.

D. Meeting registrar - not present

IV. ANCILLARY REPORTS

A. FWS committees

- Outreach and Translation – next meeting at the end of September; Claudia pursuing the Spanish translation
- Fantasy Subcommittee – rewriting the characteristics. IFD at 2024 ABM
- Membership Retention Committee – working on a booklet for long-term members; a resource guide for group inventory; and resource guide for hosting a retreat
- Diversity Committee – update to come in October
- BPDC – Anorexia 8 & 9 booklet very close to moving onto next stage of literature process

C. Journal - none

D. Events

Share-A-Day rescheduled for spring 2024.

- NYC Events Committee – October 2023 Share-A-Day will likely be postponed until the winter or spring as they search for a new space. New date tba.

E. SLAA-related announcements

V. REQUESTS FOR NEW BUSINESS

1. Two members brought up an IFD on procedures/policies regarding inappropriate behavior at a NY IG-affiliated online meeting

Discussion: There is info on the SLAA service forum including FAQs from the Traditions and Concepts Committee about how to handle problems like this when issues arise in meetings. Members also reminded groups that business meetings be held monthly

<https://service.slaa.network/login>

<https://slaafws.org/download/SLAAGroupStarterKit.pdf>

<https://slaafws.org/knowledge/tradqa/safety>

A motion was made and seconded to delist the Zoom meeting under discussion from the NY SLAA web site. The motion did not carry (Yes 2, No 4, Abstain 2).

2. How does the Google Group function, what are best practices? Should we clean up the Google Group email list?

V. OLD BUSINESS

Nominations for officers next month. All service positions are open, including: chair, communications/co-chair, treasurer, secretary, literature, meeting registrar. Information on each position is available in our by-laws (pages 6-8): <https://static1.squarespace.com/static/56872693a2bab85273716edd/t/5f71e6c3f2eb6a05700a8fb7/1601300163560/GNY+Intergroup+Bylaws+-+060320+version.pdf>

Progress on IG donation campaign (Venmo update, creation of blurb for meetings, etc.).

IG meeting in person – location progress?

- Is space available at St. Francis at 5pm 1st Sunday of the month? Dan will investigate.
- Motion made & seconded: meet in person at St. Francis in October if the space is available, for a hybrid meeting. Yes 7; No 1; Abstain 0. Motion passes.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

6:34pm motion to end the meeting early made, seconded, and passed. Meeting ended.

VII. BRING BACK TO MEETINGS

1. The Share-A-Day originally scheduled for October will likely be postponed to the winter or spring 2024 due to issues with the venue. More information will be forthcoming from the Events Committee.
2. Intergroup is holding nominations for officers at our meeting next month. All service positions are open, including: chair, communications/co-chair, treasurer, secretary, literature, meeting registrar. Information on each position is available in our by-laws (pages 6-8): <https://static1.squarespace.com/static/56872693a2bab85273716edd/t/5f71e6c3f2eb6a05700a8fb7/1601300163560/GNY+Intergroup+Bylaws+-+060320+version.pdf>
You do not need to be present at the meeting to be nominated. Please contact info@slaany.org to nominate yourself or someone else for a position. Elections to be held in November.
3. Intergroup is planning to hold its meetings on a hybrid basis from now on. We are currently working to secure a room at St Francis for Sunday 10/1 at 5pm. More information forthcoming.
4. NY IG August Liquid Balance \$4,132.53, Bank Balance is \$6,632.53
5. St Francis groups should continue to ensure that they contribute to the annual liability insurance. Small groups can contribute what they can. Bigger groups should consider a \$100-\$150 annual contribution to NY IG to help cover the cost of this insurance.
6. Please note that it is HIGHLY recommended for all groups to hold a business meeting on a monthly basis. This is good practice for all 12-step groups. Please consider reviewing <https://slaafws.org/download/SLAAGroupStarterKit.pdf> for help.
7. Some meeting safety issues have come to our attention. We recommend this helpful page for addressing concerns in meetings according to the Traditions: <https://slaafws.org/kb/tradqa/safety/safety-in-meetings/>
8. Next meeting, October 1, 2023, possibly hybrid (on Zoom and at St Francis). See item #3.