

# Greater New York Area SLAA Intergroup Meeting Minutes

## June 5, 2011

### I. Opening

Kara presiding (Chair)

- A. Moment of Silence
- B. Prayer for Trusted Servants
- C. SLAA 12 Steps & 12 Traditions
- D. Introductions (Attendees: Kara B., Ayana, Paul, Nancy G., Roger R., Emily, Judy J., Rob S., Michael G., Darren, Chris K., Owen, Katy B., Jasmine, Erin D., Juliet F.)

### II. Reports

- A. Secretary: Minutes from 05/01/11 Meeting – Accepted
- B. Treasurer: Report presented – see attached – Accepted  
Judy is still trying to get signature access at Capital One. They need business tax ID, documents showing that business is filed on the state level, a copy of bylaws. She will try to open a new account with them. Also checking out other banks. She's turning over \$100 each to Katy and Owen for out-of-pocket ABM expenses. She has eight checks pre-signed by Mark.
- C. Communications: Report presented – see attached – Accepted. IG reps should mention to their groups that the Speaker Exchange is available. Roger pointed out that a lot of people are NOT on the internet. Ayana suggested a google group for speaker exchange.
- D. Literature: Rob has \$550.00 worth of literature plus \$300 worth of literature on the way. Literature orders are taking around 2.5 weeks – it's better than it was. He will have postage fees next month.

### III. Ancillary Reports

- A. Journal Liaison: The Journal is looking for anyone with “mad” computer skills to volunteer to convert paper journals into pdf format. Anyone qualified and interested can send a message to [journal@SLAAFWS.org](mailto:journal@SLAAFWS.org).  
Darren shared with us the Journal question of the day with responses due June 1, 2011 – too late to respond. Ayana suggested that for questions of the day, Darren could post it to our Google Group.
- B. Retreat Committee: There are copies here of the Women's Retreat flyer. Please put the word out that we need volunteers for our committee. We will plan for a fall retreat. Kara has a document with list of retreat centers in the area.

### IV. Old Business

- A. Prudent Reserve: Judy withdrew her motion
- B. ABM: Katy estimates \$2100.00 for her to attend the ABM in San Diego. (This includes \$1025 for registration, \$640.19 for airfare, \$50.00 fee on United Airlines for baggage, \$30.00 bus trip to & from Newark Airport, \$200.00 miscellaneous “Oh No!” fund.) Owen estimates a total of about \$1920.00. Katy: At the ABM, there are 5 Motions to be discussed and voted on and 2 Items for Discussion. They are as follows:
  - M1 – To approve selling of SLAA conference approved literature in electronic format

- M2 – To add a 6<sup>th</sup> “major resource” to the verbiage of the Preamble – Self Care
- M3 – Approve text of pamphlet “Measuring Progress”
- M4 – To destroy all personal or financial info about anyone, used for a particular purpose, after that purpose has been served
- M5 – Change to the bylaws (Article V, Section IV)
- D1 – Add to SLAA promises
- D2 – Re Anorexia 1,2,3

Table further discussion of ABM until next month.

**V. New Business**

- A. AA books available through SLAA Literature: Jasmine proposed having the AA Big Book and AA 12 & 12 available through SLAA. (Note: the SLAA book sometimes referred to as the “big book” is actually called the “SLAA Basic Text”.)
- B. Emily proposed having an SLAA literature table at the Gay Pride Parade. The consensus was that it would go against the tradition of maintaining anonymity. Motion: To create a Public Information Committee. Discussion of motion tabled until next month.

**VI. Closing**

We closed with the Serenity Prayer.

## May 2011 Intergroup Treasury Report

	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>NOTES</u>
<b><u>STARTING BALANCE</u></b>	<b>\$4,205.93</b>	5/1/11 ending balance
	-\$5.00	adj
<b><u>CONTRIBUTIONS</u></b>		
Monies Recd from May IG Meeting	Share A Day - PayBack \$950.00	Cash
	Repay from Literature \$300.00	Cash
	allowing to increase reserve to \$750	
	Montclair Meetings \$42.00	Cash
	St Francis-Sun 3pm \$25.40	Check
	<b>SUBTOTAL \$1,317.40</b>	
Monies Recd in current period	Weds Mens \$477.49	CHECK
	St Francis-Fri 6.15 \$22.00	CHECK
	Thurs 7.30 Mens \$35.70	CHECK
	St Francis-Sat 6pm \$86.65	CHECK
	St Francis-Fri 4.30 \$50.00	CHECK
	<b>SUBTOTAL \$671.84</b>	
	<b>CONTRIBUTIONS SUBT \$1,989.24</b>	
<b><u>EXPENSES</u></b>		
May IG Exps	Literature Postage Exp -\$61.65	Cash
	SaD exp repay to Owen -\$32.35	Cash
	ABM Out of Pocket to Katie & Owen -\$200.00	Cash
	BANK SERVICE CHARGE -\$5.00	5/25 MONTHLY CHARGE
	VONAGE PHONE SYSTEM -\$14.93	5/25 MONTHLY CHARGE
	Owen's ABM Registration -\$1,075.00	e-check
	Owen's Travel to ABM -\$630.80	check
	<b>EXPENSE SUBTOTAL -\$2,019.73</b>	
	<b>NET MONTHLY TOTAL -\$30.49</b>	
	<b><u>ENDING BALANCE</u> \$4,170.44</b>	AS OF 6-5-2011

**CONTRIBUTIONS CAN BE MADE PAYABLE TO GREATER NY AREA INTERGROUP AND SENT TO P.O. BOX 8086 NY, NY 10116-8086**

## May 2011 Intergroup Communications Report

### ***Communications report: May 2011***

#### Phone inquiries: May

- 646-703-0048: 17 voicemails left (including two blanks), most seeking general information re meetings, etc.

#### Email inquiries: May

- info@slaany.org: Five external messages, most seeking info on meetings
- media@slaany.org: 0

#### Website

- Visitor stats: May
  - 2,795 Unique visitors, in May, down from 3,060 in April.
  - Most popular pages:
    - Meetings (225)
    - Self-Diagnosis (20)
    - Beginners (13)
- Site development: Suggestions always welcome for more effective use of this resource

#### Meeting Exchange

- At this point, eight individuals have signed up, but only two groups (one in the Hudson Valley, one in New Jersey) have expressed interest. This is not a 'nuclear mass'. This project needs more publicity. Perhaps if each IG member could bring this to their home groups, that might help.

Submitted by: Paul L (Communications Chair)