

# New York-New Jersey SLAA Intergroup

## Sunday, June 6, 2010

Serenity Prayer

Reading of 12 Steps and 12 Traditions

Present:

Amy	Intergroup Rep. Sunday women's meeting (3:00).
Ayana	Outgoing World Service Rep
Marc A	Treasury
Paul L	Communications Co-Chair
Moe	IG Rep Thursday Night's Men's Step Meeting
Xavier	Tuesday Night Literature (6 p.m.)
Wendy	
Rob	Literature Chair
Juliet	Women's Monday Night Step Meeting (7:45)

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Reading of Steps

Reading of Traditions

### I. **REPORTS**

#### A. SECRETARY'S REPORT (Katy B.)

- May minutes read and accepted

#### B. Treasury Report (Marc)

- There was a starting balance of \$3315.08. Total deposits amounted to \$235.71. Ending balance is \$3550.79.
- Report accepted.

#### C. COMMUNICATIONS REPORT (Paul)

- Quiet month. Not a lot of inquiries. Report accepted.

#### D. LITERATURE REPORT

- We have \$568 stock and fund. Report accepted

#### E. PUBLIC OUTREACH REPORT (Allison, absent. Rob, co chair).

- Report tabled.

## F. GROUP INVENTORY REPORT

- Ayana got us current. Ayana will post the inventory to the google groups. Please, everyone, read it. Owen, Moe, Ayana and Kara to discuss on conference call.

## II. OLD BUSINESS

### A. Changing of Bank Head Quarters (Marc)

Marc is trying to close out the account in Long Island and move funds to local TDBank around the corner. He will continue in this endeavor.

### B. Unfilled Co-Chair for Communications

Paul not overwhelmed by the job. Ayana points out this has historically been a one person committee. Paul will request co-chair if need arises.

### C. Changing of the By-Laws for Simultaneous Position Holding

Motion: Strike section of by-laws forbidding simultaneous position holding. (Article 3 Section A)

Motion does not carry.

### D. Website Expansion

Paul will proceed as trusted servant to make decisions as to how to fulfill this increased capacity on our site.

E-mail handling. Discussion about each group having its own e-mail address. Xavier fully supports idea of giving each group its own e-mail list. A great resource. We need to keep up with technology.

Marc.....each meeting gets its own e-mail address. Offer the e-mail to intergroup. Ayana points out this failed four years ago. Xavier points out now everyone checks e-mail via phone.

Action: IG Reps to go back to groups and discuss this e-mail address idea with our individual groups. Revisited next month

### E. Change to Vonage

Lots of discussion about having a voicemail where people could leave a message. Marc points out we don't have to make a decision right now. We are paid for the full year. The numbers speak for themselves....its cheap to change!

Motion: That we create a special position specifically for e-mail. Motion not seconded.

Motion: We switch to a cheaper plan and look into a refund on our current plan and that we allow for the ability to leave a message on the phone line which Paul would monitor and we see what the traffic is. We will monitor the traffic.  
Motioned 2nded.

Discussion: Will we proceed if we don't get a refund? Ayana likes the motion in general. Would like an amendment. Does Vonage offer a trial period? Yes it does. 30 day trial period. Moe: We can't get people to man the phones! Moe speaks in favor of the motion.

Lets table motion and Marc will do research (can we get a refund?) Will we lose the phone number if we change to Vonage?

Motion withdrawn. Marc will do research on the refund of our current plan.

### **III. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Budgets for copying. Tabled for next meeting due to time.

B. ABM Issues

To be discussed.....placing the ala anon book "Paths to Recovery" as "Friend of Conference Approved Literature." What are our thoughts as a group? Ayana will be collected our thoughts and ideas. Stay tuned.

Motion to Close

Adjourned.

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Next Meeting: Most probably the 11<sup>th</sup> of July (due to July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday). Sunday 4:45.