Area min for Dec

Area was held Dec 5th 2024 at 730pm at 33 park place

Opened by Giorgio with the serenity prayer

12 traditions read

12 concepts read

Service prayer read

Old business read by Amanda V.

Treasurer -Suzanne- closing balance for Nov - $4001.55 please see attached report

Policy and procedure – Laura- We met 11/11/24. Present- Amanda, Freddy, Aisha, and Laura. We reviewed policy and started making motions to update policy.

RCM-Aisha- see report

**Sub committees**

H&I- Brian- Secretary position is open. Chair person position is open. Tina took a commitment at recourse recovery. We are in need of trusted servants. Brian has the key and chair booklet with the readings.

Helpline-Brian- There were 2 calls. No missed calls. There will be training next Sunday at noon on zoom. The secretary position is open. We are in need of trusted servants.

Convention committee – Gina-

Upcoming events –

New Year’s eve dance 6pm until ? $15 in advance $20 at the door. Maybrook senior center

Feb 15th speaker jam. 1pm-7pm free event. 33 park place

March 15th speaker jam. 1pm-7pm free event. Maybrook senior center

April 5th speaker jam. 1pm-7pm free event. Maybrook senior center

May 3rd speaker jam. 1pm-7pm free event. Maybrook senior center

June/Aug dates to come. Event at davage park Middletown.

We are in negotiations with the Kartrite for Oct 3rd,4th, 5th..more to come.

June potentially will be 6th or 7th, 7/12,8/2, and 9/6

Convention committee treasurer -Gina- as the report from last month. The starting balance for Nov was $9619.12. We started spending money on supplies. By Nov 7th area we had $8950.47. In our account after all expenses after Nov event we ended up with $9724.71. We also need the area treasure to issue the convention committee a refund for the zoom account. This is the third month without a refund.

E&A- Freddy- We always need support. We meet the first Thur of the month in person and the 3rd Thursday on zoom. We had about 20 people attend game night. We have an event Jan 18th at 33 park place from 6pm-10pm

Website-Mark- Website is going well. Updated meeting list and fliers.

Meeting list- Mark- Newburgh keys to success last meeting will be on 12/9.

Port Jervis JFT Wednesday night meeting meets at 60 Sussex St in port Jervis.

E&A meets the first Thursday at 630 in Goshen and the third Thursday on zoom at 630pm.

Public relations meets every Tuesday at 8pm on zoom

Literature -Mark- We had $707 in sales. $525 to the groups and $182 to H&I. We spent $733.60 this month on literature. I would like permission from the area to dispose of the group order forms from 2022 and 2023.

Public relations – Walter- We have had 2 subcommitte meetings

Via zoom

2. We will be having rafeal (the previous chair for PR and he will attend our next subcommitte meeting via zoom and he will be sharing his ES&J

H and have time for questions afterwards

3. We will be reaching out to the GNYR PR SUBCOMMITTE chairperson to introduce ourselves and touch base.

4. Requested storage room access to conduct inventory.

**Group reports-**

Nooners- We need support

Women do recover – Group in need of trusted servants. Working on group policy

Recovery by the river- meeting moved to 120 South St. Newburgh. Dom will have 2 years and Jason will have 4 years

Turn it over- Mark H will have 33 years

Clean and crazy- nothing to report

The redemption group- nothing to report

Back from the grave- nothing to report

Steps to life- Jackie R will have 21 years

Ties that bind- nothing to report

Revival of the spirit- nothing to report

JFT- Nancy will have 1 year and Sara will have 1 year.

Keys to success – nothing to report

The point- nothing to report

Reflections- Frank will have 19 years. Sean will have 22 years and Dreen will have 15 years.

Men in recovery- We can always use support

Back on track- nothing to report

Back to basics- Herman will have 21 years

Friday night lights- nothing to report

**Old Business-**

Motion by Walter 2nd by Wanda

Motion: Any subcommittee of the open arms area only refer addicts to sanctioned groups within the open arms area

Intent: to stay consistent with the open arms area policy

**Motion passed**

Motion by Freddy 2nd by Janet

Motion: to remove Brian as helpline chair for intentionally violating the open arms area policy. Intentionally using open arms area helpline to provide meeting information to meetings that were removed from the open arms area meeting list for using non NA approved fellowship literature .

Intent: to maintain the unity of the area and to be in accordance with concepts 4&8

**Motion passed**

Motion by Wanda 2nd by Janet

Motion: Temporarily suspended helpline activities based upon recent compromise of integrity of trusted servants and utilize regional helpline

Intent- to ensure that all calls received are provided with open arms area sanctioned meetings or referred to the region or other areas as applicable.

**Motion to go back to groups**

Motion by Wanda 2nd by Janet

Motion: Policy change: All elected trusted servants have their open arms area home group conscious to serve in the position that they are nominated to serve in.

Intent: To ensure understanding and adherence to open arms policy, group conscious, NA traditions, and the NA concepts of service

**Motion to go back to groups**

**New Business –**

Motion by policy committee 2nd by Jason

Motion: Pg 4 of policy: under nominations, question 3: correct the question to read “is the nominee aware that he/she can no longer serve as a GSR if the **chair** position is taken”

Intent: to make policy as clear as possible since co-chairs can still serve as GSRs.

**Motion to go back to groups**

Motion by policy committee 2nd by Jason

Motion: Pg 3 of policy: under ASC format, bullet 6: add 6a “all motions, donations, and literature orders must be submitted by this point”

Intent: to make business easier for the treasurer and literature chair.

**Motion passed**

Motion by policy committee 2nd by Jason

Motion: Pg 5 of policy: Change format to list clean time only and change clean time requirements of co secretary and co treasurer.

1. Chair person 5 years of clean time
2. Vice chair 4 years of clean time
3. Secretary 2 years of clean time
4. Co secretary **1 year clean time**(May still be a GSR)
5. Treasure 5 years of clean time
6. Co treasurer **4 years of clean time**(May still be a GSR)
7. RCM 5 years of clean time
8. RCM alternate 4 years of clean time
9. Policy and procedure 5 years of clean time

Intent: to remove redundancy in policy. We ask nominee if they have a legal means of support and if they have a working knowledge of the 12,12, and 12.

**Motion to go back to groups**

Motion by policy committee 2nd by Jason

Motion: Pg 3 of policy: under ASC format, bullet 8: remove “motion sheets must be submitted by end of subcommittee reports as we are asking for them by the end of the RCM report”

Intent: To make policy and procedure as clear as possible

**Motion passed**

Motion by policy committee 2nd by Jason

Motion: Pg 3 of policy: under ASC format, bullet 5: add “policy chair asks for new GSRs, gives new GSRs copy of current policy, and offers review of policy(by policy chair and/or vice chair) at following area meeting at 7pm”

Intent: to have current copies of policy available to groups and to review policy with new GSRs. Having policy chair or vice chair available to do that assures coverage for next ASC meeting

**Motion passed**

Motion by policy committee 2nd by Jason

Motion: Pg 4 of policy: under nominations, add question “Will the nominee be able to attend the monthly/bimonthly regional sub committee meeting for the intended commitment?”

Intent: to assure a nominee can complete all duties of their position. At a later date this will also be added to the position description.

**Motion passed**

Motion by policy committee 2nd by Jason

Motion: Pg 4 of policy: under nominations, after bullet 3: prior to the nominee stating qualifications, the policy chair will read the 4th concept to all GSRs.

1. “Effective leadership is highly valued in Narcotics Anonymous. Leadership qualities should be carefully considered when selecting trusted servants”

Intent: to reiterate the value of choosing leadership based on leadership qualities and not based on just filling a position

**Motion passed**

We still need to fill the following positions: Outreach and home bound, Co treasurer, Co secretary, H&I chair.

We still need a helpline chair. Susan was nominated but needs to attend area next month.

Motion to close.