AREA MINUTES FOR MAY 2023

OPEN ARMS AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE

The meeting was held on May 4, 2023 at 33 Park Pl., Goshen, New York with a link to the zoom platform for those who cannot attend in person.

The meeting was opened by Laura, chair, at 7:30 with prayer and readings.

Old minutes were read by Nick.

Treasures report was given by Bennett, treasurer, opening balance is 4000.

Policy and procedures, Sandy, chair, nothing to report.

Regional committee member, Jesse, At the march RSC meeting, I let them know of the current and upcoming E&A and convention events for open arms area. It was requested by the H&I chair that if we have representation from our area that the open arms H&I representative should be attending their subcommittee meetings and forwarding reports. The motion from the RSC RDA, that we voted on in March was tabled, even though the areas voted on it to go back to the groups to be voted on, I should get the rewrite at this months meeting.

Convention committee Gina B, chair, Sadie Hawkins dance was a success, and we are working on a bowling event in July.

Convention treasurers report, Alexce, chair, The current balance in the checking account is \$4848.31 minus our \$1500 prudent reserve gives us a balance of \$3348.31.

Events and activities, Angela, chair, we have a donation of \$204.70 to area and we also have \$500 in seed money which will be using to pay off the campground, merchandise and also for the camp out which is on June 24 to June 25 flyers and tickets will be printed this week.

Help line, Brian, chair, we got into the website and cleared the list. We have two members with four more to be added. We elected a chair and overall we are operational.

Hospitality, Kendra, took on commitment.

Hospitals and institutions, Giorgio, chair, one of our members has been trained for Orange County Jail and should begin going in the second and fourth Thursday of this month. The body voted to take on Catholic charities in Monticello on Monday nights from 7 to 8. We held elections and voted in a new chair and vice chair, secretary, co secretary, literature, chair, panel coordinator. New policy will be typed up for a new chair.

Public relations, Rafael, chair, our planned agenda is committee business and discussed regarding launch of committee and short-term initiatives, we are distributing helpline, posters at public venues, libraries, hospitals, and police stations. We have a possible presentation at Goshen high school and will contact social worker Katie but at a minimum we will deliver basic text, pamphlets and posters.

Speaker exchange, no chair.

Outreach, no chair.

Literature, Fiona, chair, April sales were \$694 and our inventory after April sales is \$3399.70 after credit card applied to literature total came to \$361.97 which included the H&I order.

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Meeting list, Mark, chair, paid \$110 for new toner, which is good for 30,000 pages.

Website, Mark R, chair, the website had 607 visitors and we posted minutes and camp out flyer.

Monday, meditation, Bridget, GSR, we have no special needs, and no celebrants.

The point Jim D, GSR, we have no special needs and we have Jeremy celebrating nine years on May 29.

Keys to success Jason D, GSR, we meet every Monday at 6 PM at Saint Francis Church to carry a consistent message of recovery, no special needs, and no celebrants.

Just for today, Jim B, GSR, we have no special needs. We have Mike celebrating two years, Amanda celebrating two years, Fred celebrating 12 years and Gerard is celebrating 23 years.

Midday break Fay, GSR, we need support!

Dopeless hopefiends Janet, GSR, we need a speaker for June 6 and our Sunday meeting could use support.

The joys in the journey, Barbara S, GSR, we have a new meeting date of Tuesday from six to 7:30 PM that meets in person. We have Rob a celebrating 32 years on May 23.

Back on track, Ron S, GSR, we are preparing for our annual piggy jiggy and are working to put on several speaker jams before August 12. Jonathan will be celebrating his first miracle year on June 28.

Revival of the spirit, Jamie, B, GSR, all is well, and Jamie will be celebrating six years.

Back to basics Cornell, GSR, meeting is doing good and we have no special needs. We have Cory celebrating 14 years and Hisha celebrating one year.

TGIF Bridget, GSR, Friday group will be changing meeting format as of June 2 201 our book study, basic text chapters one through 10 we are meeting from 12:30 to

Ties that bind, Ronzette, GSR, the group is doing well, and I will be celebrating 26 years on the fourth Friday.

Recovery on the hill, Pat D, GSR, the meeting needs support.

Reflections group, Edwin, GSR, attendance is very good, but could always use more support. We will be closed this Saturday, May 6 due to a church event. We have myself celebrating 29 years, Diana, with 29 years, Carlos was seven years and Lisa with seven years also celebrating on the fourth Sunday of the month.

Steps to life, Aaron, GSR, we have no special needs, and no anniversaries.

Saturday night, fever, Ken, GSR, attendance is great.

Steps on Sunday, Michelle, acting GSR, attendance is the best it has been in years.

The redemption group, Lauren, J, GSR, we have no changes.

Clean and crazy Aisha GSR, we need fellowship support, and trusted servants.

Old business, no old business.

New motion, motion made by Van Ness, and seconded by Maritza, we would like to open a women's meeting, starting in June to gather and grow as women. Motion was called out of order.

Jamie nominates Kendra for hospitality and she is voted in.

Open commitments remain: Co treasurer, co secretary, outreach, speaker exchange.

All positions are up next month.