

AREA MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 2023 OPEN ARS AREA SERVICE COMMITTEE

The meeting was held on November 2, 2023 at 33 Park Pl.

The meeting was opened by Giorgio chair at 7:30 with prayer and readings "It has been noticed that in recent months the ASC meeting has been very contentious. Let's all try to remember that we are in this together. If we feel the temperature inside of rising a bit too high; please step out into the hallway to collect yourself. Take a breath. Have a prayer and please come back in"

Old minutes were read by Chrissy

Regional committee member, Jesse, not present

Policy and procedures, Sandy, as of December, I will be stepping down

Treasure, Suzanne, November opening balance is 2956.33

Convention committee Gina, things are going well, Eileen is treasure now and doing a great job. Old timer speaker jam November 18 and May Brook from 2 to 8 PM. New Year's eve event in May Brook from 6 PM until midnight. January speaker Jam 33 Park Pl., Goshen, February event in Goshen as well.

Events and activities, Angela, free event coming on Saturday, December 2, ugly sweater, speaker, jam 3 to 8 PM at 33 Park Pl. Goshen. Food and drinks will be sold. Planning a sponsor/Sponsee dinner for March.

Public relations, Rafael, our planned agenda is committee business. We have no upcoming PR presentations.

Helpline, Bryan, six calls, two calls were missed due to the wrong extension. We have a rough policy draft and training package. In need of trusted servants.

Website, Mark, post a new meeting list made changes to flyers, updated missing info, please advise of any

changes

Meeting list Mark, Saturday night fever has been taken off the meeting list, miracles happen meetsat 7:30 PM on Wednesday in Wappingers Falls

Literature, Fiona, October sales total \$577. Literature inventory after sales is \$2545.05, literature order for November area was \$490.65. A total of 75.33 was spent on supplies.

Keys to success, Jason d,if anyone would like to be of service on Mondays at six, we have a digital flyer

Just for today, Jim b, all is well, This month we have Chris, Olivia and Camille all with their first miracle year

The joys in the journey, Barbara S, this month we have Larry with 19 years and Brenda with seven

Turn it over, Mark, everything is fine

Back on track, Ron S, this month we have Trelina With 18 and DaeSean with his first miracle year

Dopeless Hopefiends, Lori Beth all is well

Revival of the spirit, Jamie, group anniversary is November 15

Recovery by the river, Jason D, we have a Thanksgiving brunch from 10 to 1, group is carrying the message And we also have Samantha d with two years!

Ties that bind, Ronzette, The group will not be open Friday the third because the church is having their annual craft fair

Reflections, Edwin, attendance is great, but always looking for support

Steps to life, Aaron, group is doing good, could always use more support and trusted servants

The redemption group, Lauren, no changes no special needs

Nooners, Barbara T, we need support

Miracles happen, we meet Wednesday at 7:30 PM Mr. Alvernia wappingers, chairperson Caitlin serving as acting GSR, in need of support

Point group new Windsor, Jim D, meeting could use more attendance, Mark R will be celebrating 39 years this month

Clean and crazy Aisha , we could use support, this moth we have Boston with 34 years

Old business: a motion was made by Aaron G and seconded by Barbara S stating the removal of the home group Saturday night fever from the open arms area for continued and blatant disregard for area policy and having non-NA approved literature. The intent is to uphold area policy to only use NAWS approved literature. Their actions against policy are egregious based upon a motion that was removed earlier in the year when they agreed to remove the literature. Each GSR was given 2 to 3 minutes to have their thoughts. Heard an emotion goes back to the group to be voted on in November. Convention committee business nominates Eileen as treasurer, no one opposes, she is appointed convention, committee, treasure.

New Business: A motion to remove Saturday night. Fever is being voted on tonight. The chairman reread the motion and reminded everyone that floor was closed to debate/discussion as everyone was given the opportunity to be heard last month. We will go straight to a vote

A member called for "a point of information" asking "what part in the FIPT is the group in violation of?"

The chairman reminded everyone that the floor was closed to discussion/debate.

A member stated "that a point of information can be called for at any time and doesn't need a second"

The chairman again reminded everyone "that the floor was closed to discussion/debate as the opportunity to be heard was held last month" and stated "we will keep moving forward".

See below for clarification on the chairman's ruling as well as references and citations in regards to the call for a POI

The chairman then called for all voting gsr's to please raise their hand to calculate the total number of voting gsr's present. The total number was 18, making the 2/3 majority 12 in order to pass. The chair then asks for "all abstained" and the total was zero. The chair then asks for "all opposed" and gets a count of six. The call for "all in favor" is made and the total was 12 causing the motion to be passed. The chair announces "The motion passes and the Saturday Night fever meeting will be removed from the OAA meeting list.

The miracles that happen Group is asking to be a part of open arms area. Gina asked if four groups from Dutchess County come over would the group consider bringing back the zoom platform. Giorgio states that someone will have to bring a motion to bring back the zoom

Issues and grievance: Ken asks what part of the FIPT is that Saturday night group in violation of

Policy and procedure is open, co-secretary is open, co treasurer is open and RCM alternate is open

Below you will find clarification as well as references and citations in regard to the chairman's ruling in regards to the POI

Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised, 12th Edition 2020

Chapter 1: The Deliberative Assembly: Its Types and Their Rules

Section 2 Rules of an Assembly or Organization

Rules of Order

2:16 Special rules of order supersede any rules in the parliamentary authority with which they may conflict.

Example: Under the chairmanship of the current chairman a special rule has been put into place, through general practice, that closes the floor to debate/discussion once the motion has been sent back

to the groups. This comes only after every member, who chooses to do so; has had a chance to have their voice be heard on the current motion.

Chapter 10: Renewal of Motions; Dilatory and Improper Motions

Section 39 Dilatory and Improper Motions

Dilatory Motions

39:1 A motion is dilatory if it seeks to obstruct or thwart the will of the assembly as clearly indicated by the existing parliamentary situation.

39:4 It is the duty of the presiding officer to prevent members from misusing the legitimate forms of motions, or abusing the privilege of renewing certain motions, merely to obstruct business. Whenever the chair becomes convinced that one or more members are repeatedly using parliamentary forms for dilatory purposes, he should either not recognize these members or he should rule that such motions are not in order—but he should never adopt such a course merely to speed up business, and he should never permit his personal feelings to affect his judgment in such cases. If the chair only suspects that a motion is not made in good faith, he should give the maker of the motion the benefit of the doubt. The chair should always be courteous and fair, but at the same time he should be firm in protecting the assembly from imposition.

Merriam-webster.com (n.d.)

Dilatory: 1) tending or intended to cause delay

|dilatory tactics

Note: All members and officers share in a certain level of responsibility at the ASC meeting. It is the chairperson's responsibility to be sure that every voting member is receiving clear and accurate information during the ASC meeting with which to be able to vote. It is also the chairman's responsibility to facilitate the ASC meeting in an orderly manner.

Each member also shares in responsibilities by being present at each ASC meeting to receive the information that pertains to motion(s) to be voted on. Furthermore, each member shares in the responsibilities of carrying themselves in an orderly manner during the ASC meeting.

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On Thursday, November 16, 2023, 1:25 PM, nicholas letizia <nickletizia@yahoo.com> wrote: