

## **APPROVED MINUTES NJIOA August 13, 2020**

**Chair:** Susan S

**Vice-Chair:** Judy

**Treasurer:** Janet

**Corr. Sec:** Bonnie F

**NJIOA Sec:** Paul O

**Rec Sec:** Theresa

**Oasis:** MaryAnn C

**Web:** Barbara

**Public Info/Outreach:** Sam

**Media:** Sam

**Region 7 Delegates:** Ronni, Bonnie F, Carl F, Susan L, Susan S, Barbara M

**World Service Reps:** Bonnie F, Carl F, Ronni, Susan S.

### **7:30 PM Opening**

- Serenity Prayer-Jennifer; 12 Steps – MaryAnn; 12 Traditions – Susan S.; Concept of the Month – Angela; Unity with Diversity Policy – ToniAnn

Introductions/Roll Call: Susan S., Chair; Janet, Treasurer, Judy, Vice-Chair; Theresa, Secretary; Mary Ann, Oasis; Ronni, Substitute Recording Secretary  
Region Rep/World Service Rep; Bonnie, Corr. Secretary/event chair, website co-chair; Carl, Parliamentarian; Barbara M, website committee and Wed River Edge; Sonta, Lifeline Monday AM; Fran U, Serenity Workshop; Susan L, Fri. Passaic delegate; Toni Ann, Tuesday Bloomfield and Intergroup Zoom Team; Marcy, Wayne Tuesday; Jennifer, Friday Passaic; Audrey G, Sunday Belleville; Gwen, Monday HOW Paramus; Vanessa, Mon. Livingston; Carol R, Alternative Belleville Sunday; Fran S, Friday HOW Hackensack; Ilene W., Saturday AM Berkeley Heights; Tania, Wednesday HOW Saddle Brook; Maria G., Thursday Montclair; Terry P., Mentoring Program; Steve S, Intergroup Zoom Team; Jon K, Intergroup Zoom Team; Shari, Wed Big Book Saddle Brook; Angela, Saturday AM Paramus; Lorraine, Hillsdale Wed PM; Grace, Firelight Meeting; Terri W, InReach Committee; Visiting – Susan G., Mike.

Minutes of Previous Meeting as received – passed by majority

Motion to Accept –MaryAnn Second- Judy All in favor-passed

### **Committee Reports**

- **TREASURY: Janet** – no questions
- **MaryAnn-** Oasis- up and ready to go, ready early and will be sent out early.
- **INFO LINE: Susan S-** It is a phone number that people can call to get information. Ursula is the person who returns the calls, still very active.
- **EVENTS** – When you have an event, call Bonnie. She will guide you through the steps on how to get the event up and running. Sam will make flyers if you need help.

- **WEBSITE: Bonnie** – Running, everything is getting posted, any issues, call Bonnie/Mary/Barbara. Up to date, checking links on website which have been an issue because of the transfer from the old site to the new site.
- **PUBLIC INFORMATION- Sam T** – Committee met last week, went over places reached out to. Working on reaching out to new community contacts they have. If anyone has any possible connections, please reach out to Sam to give her that info.
- **INREACH COMMITTEE:** AnnMarie, Terry P. and Terry W. are working on ideas the committee has. Suggested that each meeting start its own Zoom “We Care” list. Working on an event late in year.
- **FUNDRAISING:** Lorraine looking for ways to fundraise more money, please call Lorraine if you have any ideas.
- **OA RESEARCH COMMITTEE-** new book just came out and available. New 12 step work guide and workbook. August 2021- World Service Convention in Florida. Region 7 2020 convention being held virtually, biggest fundraiser for Region 7.

#### **OA.ORG**UPDATES

12 Step Workshop and study guide 2nd edition and participation guide AVAIL at OA Bookstore

Participants guide is \$7 Study Guide 2nd edition \$12.50

4. Welcome Back Pamphlet suggestions for members in relapse revised and expanded- can purchase both on [oa.org](http://oa.org) \$1.00

5. New OA Abstinence and Recovery Definitions, meeting format updated located on [OA.org](http://OA.org) in document library under meeting formats

6. 7th Tradition of OA pamphlet downloadable and updated with suggested contribution US\$5

7. OA New Newcomer Pamphlet "Where do I Start? (now available for \$1 OA Bookstore)

#### REGION 7

1. Assembly: October 16-17, 2020 via Zoom (details to follow on [www.region7.org](http://www.region7.org))
2. Convention: November 6-8, 2020 via Zoom (details to follow on [www.region7.org](http://www.region7.org))

#### **NJIOA Event Reports**

- **World OA Sponsorship Day: Getting Fit through Sponsorship – Zoom Meeting-** Organized by all New Jersey Intergroups...August 16<sup>th</sup> 2:00 pm – 4:15 pm EST – Vanessa, upgraded Zoom account so that there can be 500 people, there was a special to upgrade it this month.
- **OA Kayaking Crusades, Ringwood, NJ, Monksville Reservoir...August 30<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am to 11:00 am - Toni Ann.** Flyer on [www.njioa.org](http://www.njioa.org). Almost full, 2 available spots, at this time. All info and release forms need to be filled out online. Rain/or shine.
- Firelight meeting. Grace V, October 17<sup>th</sup> on zoom, flyer being made.

- **POWER OF SURRENDER Zoom meeting. September 13, 2:00 pm – 4:30 pm EST: Fran U August 24<sup>th</sup>, 11-12:30** – committee is doing a dry run of this event, they are looking for volunteers to help with this dry-run

**Old Business:**

- **Survey Committee**, Susan S. reported on the wonderful work of the Committee. We have implemented many of their suggestions and she thanked Vanessa, Barbara M., Jennifer P., Lorraine, Sonta, and Susan L. for their hard work.

**New Business:**

- AnnMarie, made a motion for NJIOA to organize sending of tributes within the Fellowship. Bonnie Seconded. Passed, with one abstention.
- ToniAnn suggested the possibility of using a new type of Zoom voting and a few will stay after the Intergroup meeting to test it out.

**Closed at 8:30pm with the OA Promise. Led by Fran U**

Newcomers joined in the Newcomer's Chat after the meeting.

**Next Meeting: September 10, 2020 7:30 p.m.**

**IMPORTANT REMINDERS FOR YOU...**

- Insurance Waiver call Susan 201-960-1995
- Nov. 6-8 Region 7 2020 Virtual Convention, (details to follow on [www.region7.org](http://www.region7.org))
- For sales tax exemption number, for Office Depot, contact Mary Ann 973-568-2761
- Go to **NJIOA.org** for bylaws, calendar, minutes, treasurer's report etc., Region 7.org and OA.org for additional info
- Call 5-Keep Them Alive (every 12<sup>th</sup> of the month)
- Remember Zelle ([njioapay@gmail.com](mailto:njioapay@gmail.com)) and VenMo ([njioapay@gmail.com](mailto:njioapay@gmail.com)) or mail a check to NJIOA, P.O. Box 827, Fair Lawn, NJ 07410-0827

If you want an item brought up at the Intergroup meeting, please email Susan ([papersusan@aol.com](mailto:papersusan@aol.com)) 2 weeks ahead of the meeting.