

MINUTES – NJIOA- Aug 9, 2018

Officers:

Chair: Jennifer G., Co-Vice Chairs: Carl F. (Acting)& Ronni S., Treasurer: Fran S, Corresponding Secretary: Bonnie F, Intergroup Secretary: (Acting) Paul O., Recording Secretary: Christine W., Public Information: Fran S. & Maryann C, Oasis Editor: MaryAnn C, Webmaster: Mary M, Media Maven: Sam

Region 7 Delegates (4): Ronni S., Bonnie F., Carl F., Christine W., Tim W., (Jenn alternates)

World Service Representatives: Bonnie F., Carl F., Ruth H.

Opening: Meeting Lead by Ronni (Vice-Chair)

- Serenity Prayer – 7:30pm
- 12 Steps – Grace read
- 12 Traditions – Paul read
- Concept of the Month – Bonnie read
- Introductions/Roll Call – Ronni, Barbara, Christine, Lily, Mary Ann, Fran, Grace, Annemarie, Paul, Marci, Bonnie, Nina, Steve
- Minutes of Previous Meeting- Bonnie motions to accept minutes, Barbara and Paul second – minutes accepted
- Treasurer’s Report/Info Line – See treasury spreadsheet – Verizon calls are down (19 calls for June, 27 for July) – Chase Bank changed account and refunded service charges – Fran suggests we make a plan to disburse the excess funds (\$26,000 is too much) **Next month’s agenda should include suggestions for how NJIOA should disburse funds for program.

Committee Reports:

- OASIS – MaryAnn: Working on Fall Oasis which will be 2 double sided sheets stapled – if any meetings are not getting them, please let MaryAnn know – Committees please be sure to get event flyers or articles to MaryAnn by September 1st. Winter Oasis deadline is December 1st. Old articles, Lifeline, or articles from other OA publications can be reprinted as long as properly credited.
- Website: Bonnie is still working on bids for website. Barbara offers to help Bonnie with Google website.
- Public Information/Outreach Committee: Tuesday, August 7, 4:30-6:30 Clifton Night Out event rained out, 2 hours of good contact with the public carrying the message. Next event Wayne Health Fair, October 13th 8:30-11am at Wayne Valley HS. We will order (oa.org) pens to replenish supply.
- NJIOA Events: Process is 1-Sammi makes a flyer 2-Bonnie disperses information
 - Firelight Meeting – Grace will purchase string lights and flashlight giveaways. Lorraine B speaker. Grace requests materials budget of \$300. Bonnie makes a motion to approve, Nina seconds, motion passed. Grace and Fran will resolve rental budget. MaryAnn will see Bonnie about the Firelight Flyer.
 - 8:15pm Serenity Prayer (again)
 - IDEA day – Bonnie: Dorothy B. Kraft Ctr – Sam will do Flyers, Bonnie has speaker, Paul and Jenn with Co-Chair
 - Starlake – Bonnie: Leslie from South Jersey will speak – workshops done, Sam is making the flyer – same price (\$235 double/\$300 single) – 2 full and 2 half scholarships – NJIOA will continue to subsidize the cost increase.
 - Upcoming Events: Newcomer Marathon – Fran will do it with Kerri and Sam if they agree. Annemarie volunteers to help. Bonnie will request reservation for the days.
- Young OA – Barbara: conference call (Thursday) Shari, Jenn and Barbara in attendance, identify meetings that may be open for teens – Wed Saddle Brook meeting will vote to welcome young people to BB meeting (young people frequently attend) Young OA committee is drafting a flyer to meetings to request young people friendly meetings.
- 12th Step Committee: Terri is answering calls from members in relapse

Unfinished Business:

- \$100 to any meeting that wants to run an event – put it in the Oasis – Bonnie will send MaryAnn a blurb
- ‘Call 5 Keep ‘Em Alive’: The 12th of every month.
- Update FLYER: (‘Visit Five and Help Them Thrive!’) MaryAnn: currently listed meetings still need help
- Elections for Acting Positions – tabled until next month
- Insurance Claim/Lawsuit (Jenn) – Jenn has answered the Interrogatories “I wasn’t there so I don’t know anything about it”. Bonnie will call Thursday morning Teaneck to see if anyone witnessed the incident
- Incorporating NJIOA & Becoming 501(c)3 Non-Profit Organization (Bonnie) Grace volunteers to look at it and work it out with Fran. Bonnie will be the “agent”. Bonnie makes a motion to hire a professional to file annual 990N, Nina seconded, motion passed.
- Increase support/service on Intergroup level- Intergroup Reps List Update – MaryAnn: every meeting has an email contact except a few do not respond

New Business:

- Region 7 Business Assembly- September 28-30, 2018 Frederick, Maryland (Ronni will go but needs a driver/transportation)

Announcements

- Tax exemption @ Office Depot & a non-profit exemption anywhere they honor it
- Insurance waiver is available for meetings/events

9pm – Meeting adjourned

Next Meeting: Thursday, September 13, 2018 7:30pm