

## **Minutes of Suffolk General Service Meeting**

**Meeting Date: May 18, 2018**

Notes taken by Melissa in Tina B's Absence – Typed by Tina B.

### **Opening**

- Meeting Opened at 8:00 pm
- Introduction of New GSR's 3; Alt GSR's 1
- A.A. Anniversaries acknowledged: 5
- June Greeters: Glenn & Chris
- June Reading of Traditions: Roy
- Review of Minutes from last month: Amended - Motion/seconded to pass: Motion carried: sense of meeting to accept
- June Review of Concept VI: Tom to secure speaker
- 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition Basket Passed – Green Card read
- 12 Traditions Read by Ryan

### **Amendment to April Minutes:**

Service sponsorship should read "Chris gave report for Rob M. Working to offer groups the opportunity to present traditions play by request. The play that was written had been found to be offensive by some and is not endorsed by the general service office. Rob is looking for volunteers to work with him to write a new play. Passed around a notepad for volunteers to perform, to write, and for folks interested in having the play presented at their groups"

### **Concept V – Michelle – Smithtown Serenity**

*Throughout our world service structure, a traditional "right of appeal" ought to prevail, thus assuring us that minority opinion will be heard and that petitions for the redress of personal grievances will be carefully considered.*

**Treasurer-** Christine C.

- Reviewed report - Motion/seconded to accept. Motion carried: sense of meeting to accept

### **OFFICER'S REPORTS:**

#### **DCMC Report -Tom B. -[dcmc@asuffolkqs-ny.org](mailto:dcmc@asuffolkqs-ny.org)**

- Tom is available to come to Groups to discuss The Traditions. Please speak with Tom if your group is interested.
- Monthly Report – **See Separate Page on Website/Minutes**

#### **Alternate DCMC Report – Jim S - [alt-dcmc@asuffolkqs-ny.org](mailto:alt-dcmc@asuffolkqs-ny.org)**

- Jim is available to speak at meetings on the Traditions, help groups with Group Conscious, & facilitate Group Inventories.
- Court case in regard to BB Manuscript was dismissed with prejudice. Cost to AA was \$452,702
- Result of lawsuit – 2 agenda items added for review on Delegate's Questionnaire: Censure & Reorganization. Neither became advisory action. New legal proceedings-Board will make attempts to correspond and get opinion of Conference Committee.
- Discussed Report from "Meeting of the Americas": Hispanic communities are underrepresented.
- Our Delegate: John, bid for NERAASA for 2021. We did not get the bid.

### **DISTRICTS GATHER TO MEET: 10 Minutes**

#### **Registrar/Corresponding Secretary- Michele E. [registrar@asuffolkqs-ny.org](mailto:registrar@asuffolkqs-ny.org)**

- Present: GSR's-45; Alt GSR's 11; DCM-5; Alt DCM-1; Officers-4; Chairpersons-4; Secretary1; Guests-2

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Tom asked for an increase in his budget. Current budget line is \$1,800. Asking it to be increased to \$2,300. Motion made by Jim/seconded to Increase DCM Budget to \$2,300. Vote: Motion carried – Sense of Meeting to accept.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Accessibilities – CURRENTLY VACANT - [specialneeds@asuffolkqs-ny.org](mailto:specialneeds@asuffolkqs-ny.org) - No Report**

**Al-anon Liaison – Bob Website: [HHH@alanon-suffolk-ny.org](mailto:HHH@alanon-suffolk-ny.org) – No Report**

**Archives- Aubrey – No Report**

**Birthday Brunch – Jonathan**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual being held May 27<sup>th</sup> in Polish Hall.
- Ticket cutoff date is this Sunday evening. Directed the body to ticket sellers present.
- Final Planning Meeting at SIA office in Patchogue, Thursday, May 24<sup>th</sup>

**Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) – CURRENTLY VACANT- No Report**

**Corrections** - Howard P. - [corrections@asuffolkgs-ny.org](mailto:corrections@asuffolkgs-ny.org) – No Report

**Grapevine** - Chrissy – No Report

**Group Conscience**– Tom B – No Report

**Hispanic Liaison** – Tom B – No Report

**LICYPAA Liaison**- Ryan – [www.licypaa.org](http://www.licypaa.org)

- Meetings are 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Month of each month. See website for more info and flyers: <http://licypaa.org/>
- Ryan thanked DCMC and Alt DCMC.
- Bidding at EACYPAA in DC.
- 7/15 Luau at Robert Moses – Field 2
- 9/14-9/16: Camp Out at Wildwood State Park.

**LISTS**– Eddie

- 9/22/2018: Jane E. is the Keynote

**Literature** – Doug - No Report

**Public Information (PI)** – **CURRENTLY VACANT** - [PI@asuffolkgs-ny.org](mailto:PI@asuffolkgs-ny.org)– No Report

**Service Participation** – Jim S

- Meet every second Wednesday at the SIA office at 7pm to cultivate participation through committee work and discussion and application of traditions and concepts.
- Will be forming the committee for the second legacy workshop at the next meeting.

**Service Sponsorship** Rob M – [servicesponsorship@aags-ny.org](mailto:servicesponsorship@aags-ny.org)

- Created “closed” Facebook Group. Let Rob know if you are interested and wish to be added to the group.
- Traditions Play information will be on FB page.
- If you need a Service Sponsor, let Rob know.

**Suffolk Intergroup Association (SIA) Liaison** – Bill S

- They need a recording secretary, an office manager, and volunteers.
- Looking for groups to take the hotline. Need a hotline chair.
- Share-a-thon in October. Trying for St. Joseph’s, but are open to other venues.

**Treatment Facility** – Brian

- Bridging the Gap. Brian explained the process of taking person to their first meeting following getting out of a treatment facility. If you know of anyone looking to volunteer for this service, please contact Brian.

**Unity Breakfast 2019** – Chris

**Unity Breakfast 2018** – Treasurer-Michelle.

- Directed people to the “Final” Budget for the Unity Breakfast. Gave balance check to Chris, County Treasurer.

**Unity Breakfast 2019 – Awaiting Nominee**

**Web Committee**- Roy

- Advised Monthly emails and up to 3 other occasional emails sent out monthly. If you aren’t getting emails, please speak with Michelle and review your email address on file with Registrar. Also check your spam folder. Roy can provide DCMs & Committee chairs with email addresses. Not all are being used.
- Roy and Chris (Treasurer) discussed possibility of collecting online 7th Tradition contributions. Convenience to groups. \$\$ savings on postage. Negatives are CC processing fees (2.2% plus .30 (30 cents). They believe this would be offset by postage savings. They requested this be brought back to groups for discussion at future meetings. Roy to send out email.

**Motion to close**

- Request for help with Clean-up – Volunteers
- Meeting closed at 9:30 p.m. with a moment of silence followed by Lord’s Prayer