

AGENDA FOR SUFFOLK COUNTY GENERAL SERVICE MEETING 6/16/23

Moment of silence followed by the Responsibility Declaration.

I am responsible anywhere When anyone, anywhere reaches out for help,
I want the hand of AA always to be there, and for that: I am responsible.

Acknowledge guests -

Introduction of New Members

AA Anniversaries

Welcome & Voting Procedures – NEED total of 20 DCM and GSR – please stay for full meeting.

Voting rights shall be as follows: all Officers (except the DCMC **), Standing Committee Chairs, DCMs and GSRs shall have a vote. Alternate DCMs and GSRs will only have a vote if their principals are not present.

Concept 6 – Saadi 2024 SENY CONVENTION CHAIR

DCMC Report—KIMBERLY L

Alternate DCMC Report KIMBERLY L FOR REGINA C

Treasurer report – HEATHER K

7th Tradition

Registrar Report -JEN J

Review MAY Minutes-

Committee Chair

- UNITY BREAKFAST CHAIR PRESENT SERVICE RESUME
- CHAIR REPORTS
- BUS REPORT- MICHAEL R
- LISTS REPORT

DISTRICT MEETING

Old Business –

- PRINTING

New Business

Announcements -

Questions

9:30 Declaration of Unity -This we owe to AA's future to place our common welfare first; to keep our fellowship united; For on AA Unity depends on our lives; and the lives of those to come.

Next SCGS Meeting: JULY 21,2023

Next Area Assembly Meeting POST CONFERENCE ASSEMBLY JUNE 17, 2023

***IF YOU WANT TO BE PUT ON THE AGENDA FOR NEXT MONTH, PLEASE LET ME KNOW BEFORE THE FIRST OF THE MONTH.

****IF YOU HAVE A MOTION, PLEASE PRESENT TO ME THE 6 WEEKS BEFORE MONTHLY MEETING SO I CAN REVIEW

GOOD DAY SUFFOLK COUNTY – HAPPY BELATED FOUNDERS DAY!!! 88 YEARS!!!!

- Suffolk Intergoup is holding the AA Birthday this Sunday at Polish Hall.

- Be on the lookout for announcement of a trip to General Service Office in September
- We will be meeting during the summer months along with our Area - AA doesn't stop so Suffolk won't either
- Bus sign-up sheet virtual and in person
- Nassau Intergroup PICNIC – 7/23 8 AM TO 7 PM Eisenhower Park
- Northeast Regional Forum – Board members, Trustees, and staff come together with members of AA to communicate openly what is going on and answer any questions members have. For me it was where Traditions and Concepts were not just words in our manual. They came alive in action right before my own eyes. Leaving this Forum, I fell in love more with AA even more than I thought I could.

Money-

- Contributions are down – 10.78 to 10.55 million.
- Self-support covered 59% of operating expenses.
- Operating expenses are up 19.9 % from 17.82 million from \$14.86 million in 2021.
- Publishing gross profits – \$4.89 million down 22.3% from \$6.29 million in 2021
- Grapevine paid print subscriptions decreased 6.7% in 2022. Subscriptions for the online and mobile app magazine decreased 27.6%.
- Publishing budget increased almost a 1 million dollars.
- Prudent Reserve balance 12,449,059
 - o They took funding for the GV APP 1,243,500
 - 2022 Policy adopted that GSB can authorize fund withdrawals.

Learned-Last October membership survey done.

- 2014 average age was 50 now it's 52.
- 12% of members were 30 or younger now its 9.2%
- 2014- over 50% had 5 yrs. or less now 43%
- 20 years plus has increased from 22 to 28%
- What got you here 39% responses said an AA member. Literature only got 2 % here.

I was shocked by this and asked a trustee Tom H. why we spend so much on literature when only 2 % came to AA through literature. Why wouldn't we put the focus and money into what is working. At first, he didn't have an answer but then later that night after another presentation was done by Marita (our trustee at Large) he stated that the literature is good for remote areas and those incarcerated.

Favorite presentation AA around the world – by our Trustee at Large Marita

- BB is in 73 languages.
- AA is in 180 countries.
- There are 63 GSO.
- Greenland has no AA presence.
- REDELA – meeting of the Americas that happens 2x a year. REDELA makes no decisions, nor sets policy but is a forum of free-flowing ideas sharing the growth and growing pains of AA within our zone.
- Cuba story -AA was being watched and was told by the Cuban government it saves lives and government supports.
- Peru story – Man travelled 5 hours to give another man a BB and talk to him.
- How to stay connected idea – get some of your old phone lists out and call names and numbers on them to see how they are doing.
- Italy – count down with lights off and flashlights.

Projects- GV App- We have GV: Magazine, Website, You tube Channel, Podcast & Instagram

GV/La Vina app - for IPHONE AND ANDROID

Four Apps: GV, LV, iPhone, and Android

- Easy to use.
- One tap access, passwords embedded.
- Fun to engage with: Interactive,
- sharing thoughts, sharing stories, sharing info
- Personalize with sobriety date, favorite.
- meetings, and spiritual maintenance checklist
- Exclusive content for app users
- Share your Experience, Strength, and Hope on
- Articles
- More opportunity to publish your articles.
- Share articles with your group, with friends
- 2.99 monthly 29.99 /year