

AGENDA FOR SUFFOLK COUNTY GENERAL SERVICE MEETING 11/17/2023

Moment of silence followed by the Responsibility Declaration.

*I am responsible, 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

Parliamentarian: Richie N.

Introduction of New Members

AA Anniversaries

Welcome & Voting Procedures – NEED total of 20 DCM and GSR – please stay for full meeting as the voting is at the end.

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.

Liaisons and Guests do not have a vote.

Concept 11– Francis G. P71 Northeast Regional Trustee

DCMC Report— KIMBERLY (5 minutes)

Alternate DCMC Report - REGINA C (5 minutes)

Treasurer report – HEATHER K (5 min)

I would entertain a motion to accept the treasurer report.

7th Tradition

Registrar Report -JEN J (2 min)

Review OCT Minutes-(1 min)

If there are no changes, I will accept the minutes as written.

Committee Chair – 2 minutes

- CHAIR /ADHOC committee REPORTS (2 minutes)

DISTRICT MEETING – 10 MINUTES

Old Business

New Business

Announcements

- THANKSGIVING ALKATHON 11.22.23 8 PM -11.23.23 5PM
 - o St Joseph the Worker: 510 Narraganset Ave 11772
- BIG MEETING 12.2.23 12 PM – 4 PM
 - o True North Church: 1100 Lakeland Ave Bohemia 11716

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: DECEMBER 15, 2023

Next Area Assembly Meeting APRIL 6, 2024

***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 evening, Suffolk,

I shared with my service sponsor; I have a love hate relationship with my service commitment. I have received so many blessings and I see so many things that concern me. I have been really diving into my spirituality, turning over to my higher power. I have done constant inventory on myself. That's the "hate" part- as it is showing that I have so much work to do. It's also reminding me of Rule 62 – wear AA like a loose garment (Tradition 4) and to put down the bat and pick up the feather. I want to thank the body for your patience, love and tolerance and allowing me to grow with you.

In the last month I have experienced the parallels between Step 2 and Tradition 2, as well as the parallels between Step 10 and Tradition 10. I have also been reflecting upon Tradition 4, and safety in AA. I have been slowly reading the Final Conference report.

One article spoke of the perils of AA and the other spoke of the common solution which is unity. It read "Tradition Four in the long form provides us with further guidance, "With respect to its own affairs, each A.A. group should be responsible to no other authority than its own conscience. But when its plans concern the welfare of neighboring groups also, those groups ought to be consulted. And no group, regional committee, or individuals should ever take any action that might greatly affect A. A. without conferring with the trustees of the General Service Board.:

Rich A80P72 Delegate stated "My first assembly was my first exposure to the "big picture" of A.A. I began to see all our principles at work. And often, our principles NOT at work as well."

At the Assembly I heard of this threat of a lawsuit. Character Defect cropped up – Judgmental. Did these people not read the other reports. Did they not do their homework? How do you file a lawsuit based on spiritual principals?

This past assembly meeting was also a lesson in Roberts Rules, and a lesson in patience. All I could think was "I could never do that." I quickly thought wait I also thought I could never be a GSR, I also thought I could never be a DCM and I also thought I could never be the chairperson of Suffolk County General Service yet here I am. Here I am doing the best I can, making mistakes, being perfectly imperfect.

This county is exactly where we are supposed to be. It was brought to my attention that sometimes when a GSR asks a question – they say they understood the answer however they are even more confused. Please be honest with us – if you don't know the answer, please let us know truthfully. If you don't have a service sponsor- Please speak with our chair Bobby. I am thinking about instituting an ask it basket come 2024. Just an informal vote – who would like that?

Someone asked me what a quorum is – it is the number of trusted servants needed to vote and do business. It was voted on and it is listed in Article XI of our Bylaws which is on our website under the AA Service Material.

It was brought up the concern that preamble change violated Tradition 10. I had an opportunity to sit with that person and go through Tradition 10.

Sound issues was also communicated to me- when tech chair comes back I am going to discuss with the committee to see if there is another solution.

Someone asked me what the difference between a group and a meeting is. I am in the process of taking AA literature and making a quick PowerPoint presentation to answer that question. If anyone is interested, please let me know.

Keep those questions coming. I love growing with you.

Your Trusted Servant ,

Kimberly Jean

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