## SUFFOLK GENERAL SERVICE MEETING



## APRIL

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. Parliamentarian: TBA Acknowledge guests Introduction of New Members AA Anniversaries-

Welcome & Voting Procedures – NEED a total of 20 DCM and GSR – please stay for the 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. (Liaisons' do not have a vote)

May Greeter- Who is available to do service? Concept - TBA DCMC Report- Kimberly L Alternate DCMC Report Regina H Treasurer report Heather K 7th Tradition Registrar Report - Jen H Previous Months Minutes - Review Committee Chair Reports- Unity Breakfast, Service Sponsor, Lists, Seny Archives , CPC Old Business- none New Business - Motion - Big Meeting Budget Line Announcements- please check our website for events. 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: May 17th, 2024 Next Area Assembly Meeting: June 9, 2024 (Post Conference Assembly) <u>https://www.aaseny.org/list-of-seny-area-49-assembly-and-committee-meetings-</u> <u>for-2024</u>

\*Motions to be brought to Suffolk - present to me 6 weeks before the meeting, will review to see if needs to be presented to Suffolk sooner (Rule 62- I wear my cloak loosely on this)

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Good Evening Suffolk,

Well, our Delegate is almost done with the Conference. I am looking forward to what she brings back to us in June.

A quick review of last month's transcript - I have one correction - we are not a 501 c3. We do have an EIN number for banking purposes.

Concerning Scott's redistricting report, if no one is opposed, I believe it's best first to appoint a small committee to cooperate with SIA to update group data in the county. The registrar, SENY Registrar, and myself will be included in all communication. At the May meeting, I will also make a motion for SENY to form a committee to explore reorganizing the Area 49 structure. Does the County structure still serve SENY? At the last assembly meeting, another county in Area 49 shared that they are looking at redistricting, so I believe we might serve Alcoholics Anonymous as a whole if we look at this from an area level.

Some reflection after last month's meeting led me to the Grapevine Traditions Checklist & AA Service Manual

Tradition 1: Our Common Welfare Should Come First; Personal Recovery Depends Upon AA Unity

• Are we being divisive when something doesn't go our way?

Tradition 2: For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority – a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.

• Do I criticize or do I support and trust officers, committee chairs, and group members? Are we speaking negatively about our trusted servants?

Tradition 4: Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or A.A. as a whole.

• Do I ever criticize groups because I don't believe they are doing things the way I think AA would do things?

Warranty 3: None of the conference members shall be placed in a position of unqualified power over others - Right of Participation.

• GSR's you have the right of participation which means you have a vote- I serve you and DCM's serve you - we don't tell you what we are going to do. We present to you an idea and you vote on it.

Warranty 4: All important decisions be reached by discussion, vote and if possible substantial unanimity

- Nothing is done without a
  - discussion
  - vote
  - passed by 2/3 majority (meaning substantial unanimity)
- This allows decisions to be made by AA members with confidence

When I continue to focus on the principles of Alcoholics Anonymous, I believe I can better serve you. Many of you are rotating in and may not be informed, and this is part of the growth of doing service in AA.