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Secretary Notes - Minutes

February 20, 2021

Chair: Michael V. opened the meeting with Serenity Prayer and 2nd Tradition.

Secretary Notes: Michael V. read last meeting minutes. There were a few updates to the minutes:

- Speaker Exchange every other month, not every month
- B.I.G. prudent reserve is \$5000, not \$7951.56.
- Motion to donate \$2500 was to GSO, not NYIG.

REPORTS

Treasurer: Guy gave the report (spreadsheet is available via email by request):

Previous Checking Balance: \$6951.56

Income: \$271.84Expenses: \$392.11

Transferred: \$2500 to Growth Fund

• New Checking Balance: \$4331.29 (\$668.71 below \$5000 prudent reserve)

Growth Fund Balance: \$18,099.18

Communications Coordinator: Sharon Z. reported that general announcements were made to the email distribution list. Also, we are working on a partnership with SENY PI.

Directory/Website Committee Chair: Michael V. made the request to go back to your groups and ask if anyone would like to administer your group's webpage on bigaa.org.

Speaker Exchange Coordinator: Michael V. reported 8 groups participated, with a couple of no shows. We still need more membership. It was suggested to create a written description of the speaker exchange for distribution.

SENY/GSO Liaison: Joe L. made the following announcements:

SENY contributed \$50,000.00 to AA World Services (GS0)



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- The General Service Board authorized \$4.5M to be drawn from the prudent reserve, but as of the report we were given in Jan. they had withdrawn \$4M.
- The General Services Conference will be held in April (Virtually).
- The SENY Convention will be held March 5 to 7 (Zoom). Register at AASENY.org - \$20

OLD BUSINESS

- Motion was passed to donate \$2500 to GSO. A suggestion was made to create a mission statement to explain the purpose of the growth fund.
- Michael V. shared the need for three committees, will circulate support requests:
 - Outreach committee to increase the membership and involvement of more groups in B.I.G.
 - Website committee to take inventory of the current website and propose changes to increase functionality and effectiveness
 - Bylaws committee to review Bylaws and propose change and updates to better reflect the current landscape of B.I.G. (Motion was passed during new business to examine Bylaws now by committee, rather than waiting until 2023.)

NEW BUSINESS

- It was suggested to develop a bulleted list of talking points about B.I.G. in general, for reps to use when describing B.I.G. to groups and bodies such as Brooklyn County district meetings.
- Motion was passed to form a committee to examine Bylaws now.
- Motion was passed to elect Sharon Z. webmaster. During review of Bylaws, the committee may suggest combining both of Sharon's positions into a single position. (Communications Chair and Webmaster)
- Motion was defeated to donate an additional \$2500 to GSO.

Next Business meeting: Saturday March 20, 2021 at 9am.

Motion was passed to close the meeting.