Secretary's Notes and Minutes

SEPTEMBER 21, 2024

Chairperson Joe L. Opened the meeting with the Serenity prayer and a reading of the 2nd tradition.

Reports:

- **Secretary:** Kara absent. Michael V. Read the Secretary's notes from January 20, 2024 notes were approved.
- **Treasurer:** Michael G. Absent (Tabled treasury report)

Communications Committee Chair Report: OPEN

- Events Committee Chair Report: Saber ready for Event on October19th
- **A.**A.'s GOT TALENT. Michael V.- Chairman **55**Th **Anniversary** possible 50/50, need for volunteers, singers, musicians, artists displaying work not for sale. All monies should go and come from B.I.G. Any out of pocket expenses will be reimbursed by B.I.G. \$1,500.00 is the limit for this event. Michael V. sent email blast for the event. Motion made and report approved.
- Website Committee Chair: Michael V. All is well, business as usual.
- Institutions Committee Chair: Natalie Monday Genesis meeting needs Cochair. Natalie willing to speak at meetings on Institutions Program. Possible budget of \$40.00 also excepting used donated literature.
- Helpline Committee Chair: Absent Always in need of volunteers.
- Speaker Exchange Committee Chair Report: Michael G. Absent Next speaker Exchange December 7th at St. Patrick's Lunchroom starting at 8 am.
- Office Committee Chair Report: Irene C. New volunteer for office Christina, Monday 9-12. As Orders come in we then add to inventory.
- **Directory Committee Chair Report:** Jimmy F. In training.
- **General Service Committee/SENY Chair:** Joe L. For further information see attached. Report accepted.

OLD BUSINESS: Appointment for open Standing Committee Chair is Communications Chair.

NEW BUSINESS: Christina F.has been appointed Vice Chair of BIG.

7TH TRADITION- Please donate to BIGAA!

VENMO: @Brooklyn-Intergroup

PAYPAL: info@bigaa.org

Venmo: @Brooklyn-Intergroup

Venmo: verification last four digits 6622

PayPal: @brooklynintergroup

NEXT BIG BUSINESS MEETING OCTOBER 19th 9am

Meeting adjourned after a reading of the RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT!

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

General Services Committee Report to BIGAA: 9-21-24 Committee Chairperson – Joe Levy

Websites – AA World Services – aa.org
SENY (Southeast New York – Area 49) – aaseny.org
Brooklyn Count General Services – brooklynaa.org

I attended the Brooklyn County General Service meeting on 7/17/24:

1 - Jo Ann M, our Delegate, attended to talk about how to submit Proposed Agenda Items (PAI's) to the 2025 General Service Conference. The deadline is September 30.

I attended the Brooklyn County General Service meeting on 9/18/24

- 1 The purpose of the meeting was election of officers:
 - A) New DCMC (chairperson) Eddie
 - B) New Secretary JD
 - C) No one stood for Alternate DCMC
 - D) No one stood for Treasurer (Graeme will continue until someone stands)
- 2 We cancelled our application to the NYC Dept of Education to use Lincoln HS as the venue for the Brooklyn County Share-A-Day for technical reasons. We will re-apply for a later date in 2025.
- 3 Brooklyn County Treasury \$10,000.00 in prudent reserve; and \$7,000.00 in operating funds.

I attended the SENY Assembly on 8/10/24 -

- 1 The purpose was to discuss and to vote on whether SENY should submit certain proposed PAI's to the 2025 General Service Conference.
- 2 Only 1 proposed PAI was passed. It proposes that AA should write an AA history book beyond 1955. A draft was written by Katherine in 1997 (panel 46). The PAI proposes that AA possibly use already written material as a starting point.



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- 3 The AA International Convention will be held in Vancouver, Canada from July 3 through July 6, 2025. Registration began on September 10, 2024. One must register for the Convention before booking a hotel room at the convention rates.
- 4 AA World Services has a 6.33 month prudent reserve with a target of 9 to12 months. They hope to begin rebuilding the reserve by the end of 2024.
- 5 The new book, "Plain Language Big Book: A Tool for Reading Alcoholics Anonymous" will be published on November 1, 2024.
- 6 SENY (Area 49) Treasury \$127,000.00 in prudent reserve; and over \$100,000.00 in operating funds.

I attended the SENY Assembly on 9/8/24

- 1 The purpose of the Assembly was to elect officers
 - A) New Delegate Nisaa A
 - B) New Alternate Delegate Paola
 - C) New Chair Raj
 - D) New Treasurer Eric



Statement of Revenues and Expenses
For the Period Beginning September 1 through September 30, 2024

REVENUES & DEPOSITS				
Donations	•			
Cash & Check Deposits	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	446.00 0.00		
Venmo April Note 1 Paypal April Note 1	φ \$	0.00		
Misc.	\$ \$	0.00		
Interest	\$	0.28		
Total Revenues & Deposits	<u>. </u>		\$	446.28
EXPENSES & EXPENDITURES				
Rent September '24	\$	1,500.00		
Web Hostmonster	\$ \$ \$	0.00		
Telephone Grasshopper	\$	0.67		
Professional services Computer Web Services		0.00		
Zoom Meetings and conferences	(Annual Payment)\$	0.00		
Communications Mailchimp Cell Service Simple Mobile	\$	28.85 27.25		
Deposit Return Chargeback	\$ \$ \$	30.00		
Deposit Return Fee	\$	20.00		
Total expenses & expenditures	<u>Y</u>	20.00		1,606.77
Excess of revenues & deposits over expense	s & expenditures		\$	(1,160.49)
Opening Balance Checking	\$	7,861.19		
Less Excess of Revenues over Expenses	\$ <u>\$</u> \$	(1,160.49)		
Closing Balance Checking 09/30/2024	\$	6,700.70		
Opening Balance Prudent Reserve (Savings)	\$	2,541.79		
Plus Interest 09/30/2024	\$ <u>\$</u>	0.04		
Closing Balance Prudent Reserve *	\$	2,541.83	*	

^{*} Our prudent reserve is \$5,000.00 plus interest. It includes the Closing Balance (Savings) shown above and \$2,500.00 that is held in the Bookstore Account to fund free checking for that account.

NOTE 1: Paypal & Venmo transfers not done. Treasurer on vacation.