

Secretary's Minutes General Membership Meeting

Saturday, January 25, 2025

OPENING

Meeting opened at 9:01 A.M. by Chairperson, Joe L. with the recital of the Serenity Prayer; and the reading of the 2nd Tradition and the voting rights statement. Zoom Meeting Host Michael V. confirmed that a quorum was in attendance and present for the legitimate transaction of business.

REPORTS

- 1. Secretary's Minutes** of the December 21, 2024 BIGAA General Membership meeting were read as printed and upon a motion duly made and seconded were approved and are made a part hereof by reference.
- 2. The Treasurer's Reports** for the months of November and December, 2024 were read as printed and upon separate motions duly made and seconded were both approved and are made a part hereof by reference; the later report reflecting a balance in our Operating Checking Account of \$10,319.58 and \$2,541.96 in our Prudent Reserve Savings Account plus the \$2,500 reserve held in the bookstore account.
- 3. Communication Committee Report:** The new Committee Chairperson, Anthony G. reported that he was working with Michael V. on developing a newsletter for BIGAA. He is hoping to include sections on: Events, Service Opportunities, Meeting Changes, Comments, Personal Stories, Q&A, Resources, History, Bookstore Items Specials or Sales, Links, Step or Tradition of the month, Contribution Reminders, possibly a Spanish language version. He is still working with Michael V. and is looking forward to coordinating with Jimmy F.
- 4. Events Committee Report:** Saber reported that the next event would be March 1, 2025 4:30 to 8:00 PM a "Fellowship of Love" workshop about love in the Program, with light refreshments. It will be an Open Meeting with a \$5.00 suggested contribution, 7th Tradition & a 50/50. Flyer on the website.
- 5. Website Committee Report:** Elvis reported that it was pretty much business as usual, but that the Donations List would be updated to a Contributions List and the button link would also be updated.
- 6. Office Committee Report:** Irene reported things are running smoothly. She read and reviewed the printed Office Financial Report for the month December, 2024 as printed and upon a motion duly made and seconded it was approved and is made a part hereof by reference; the report reflecting a balance in the Office Operating Account of \$276.67, an Inventory of \$2,209.65, Petty Cash of \$47.00 and the other half of our Prudent Reserve of \$2,500.
- 7. Institutions Committee:** Natalie reported that she is working on a new meeting at the Brooklyn House 104 Gold Street Brooklyn. Looking to establish a meeting there, they have never had a prior 12 Step program. The meeting would be on a Wednesday afternoon before 5 PM. Speakers will be needed. Flyer to follow. Monday 8:30 meeting needs a contact for "Bridging the Gap"
- 8. Helpline Committee:** Adelaide reported that Grasshopper was renewing the text function and that it would be open for other helpline volunteers. Everything else was functioning as normal.

BIGAA Reports (cont'd)

9. Speaker Exchange Committee: Michael G. reported that the next Speaker Exchange would be on Saturday March 1, 2025 at the usual location at St. Pat's. Looking for other possible venues for the June Exchange in the hopes of reaching more groups.

10. Directory Committee: Jimmy F. Reported that no print date has been schedule for the next edition. He knew of three meetings that were questionable as to their accuracy. The titling of the directory as to a season or edition number was confirmed to be is his discretion as committee chairperson. Cost of next edition to be paid out of the general operating fund by debit card. Further accounting issues between office and general accounts regarding to be determined.

11. General Services Committee: Joe L. reported on Brooklyn County and SENY as follows:

A. Brooklyn County: 1. Finances approx. \$10,000.00 in prudent reserve and \$10,000.00 in operating funds. 2. They have open standing committee chair positions that need to be filled. 3. SENY Convention will be March 21 – 23 at the Westchester Marriott Hotel, Tarrytown, NY. Theme is "Working together, increasing trust". Registration fee is \$31.00. Scholarships are available. Banquet is \$98.00, Convention room rate is \$170.00 a night. Rooms must be booked by Feb. 28. To volunteer email – volunteer@convention.aaseny.org. 4 – Brooklyn County will have a bus to the SENY Convention Saturday, March 22 only, from the Brooklyn Academy of Music at 7:00AM and return around 5:00PM. Bus tickets \$30.00. 5 – AA has a podcast called "Primary Purpose"

B. SENY Assembly 1/18/25: 1. First Assembly with the new rotation of officers. 2. There was a workshop on Robert's Rules. 3. Agenda items for the 2025 General Service Conference will be made available in February. 4. Our new Delegate, Nissa, will prepare a questionnaire of approx. 10 agenda item related questions, for each Groups GSR to use to ascertain their group's conscience on these questions. 5. The Delegates Day of Sharing, which is a SENY Assembly, will be on March 8. There will be presentations of background information on each item in the Delegate's questionnaire. 6. The Pre-Conference Assembly, which is also a SENY Assembly, will be on April 12, which is the deadline for GSRs to submit questionnaire responses. Items will be discussed and debates.

C. SENY Liaison Intergroup 1/19/25: The Intergroup Liaison Committee will be conducting a workshop at the SENY Convention titled "Intergroups, Beyond the Meeting List". They need speakers.

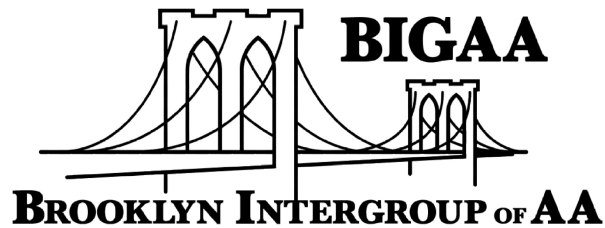
OLD BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

1. Anthony G. confirmed and appointed as the new Communications Committee chairperson.
2. Next BIGAA Administration meeting scheduled for February 13, 2025 via Zoom.
3. Charlene B. the former Brooklyn County DCMC introduced herself as the new SENY Intergroup Liaison. She reported on the SENY workshop mentioned above; "Intergroup, Beyond the Meeting List" to be held at the SENY Convention on Saturday, March 22, 2025 at 8:45 at which three speakers are needed.
4. Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously approved to raise our Prudent Reserve to \$10,000.00 reflecting a 6 month reserve.
5. Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 AM

NEXT BIGAA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING FEBRUARY 22, 2025. ALL MEMBERS WELCOME



Statement of Revenues and Expenses
For the Period Beginning January 1 through January 31, 2025

REVENUES & DEPOSITS

Contributions - Cash & Check	\$855.00
Deposits Contributions - Venmo	\$779.45
Deposit Contributions - PayPal	\$831.66
Deposit Interest	\$0.43

Total Revenues & Deposits **\$2,466.54**

EXPENSES & EXPENDITURES

Rent January 2025	\$1,550.00
Security Deposit - Rent Increase	\$50.00
Communications - Mailchimp	\$28.85
Cell Service - Simple Mobile	\$27.27
Transfer to Savings (Addition to Prudent Reserve)	\$4,958.04
Transfer to Bookstore - Institutions Purchases (3 months)	\$120.00
Transfer to Bookstore - 2x Grapevine 1 Year Subscription (Institutions)	\$72.08

Total Expenses & Expenditures **\$6,806.24**

Excess of revenues & deposits over expenses & expenditures **-\$4,339.70**

Balances

Opening Balance - Checking	\$10,319.58
Plus Excess of Revenues over Expenses	-\$4,339.70
Closing Balance - Checking	\$5,979.88

Opening Balance - Prudent Reserve (Savings)	\$2,541.96
Transfer from Main Account (Addition to Prudent Reserve)	\$4,958.04
Plus Interest	\$0.06
Closing Balance - Prudent Reserve*	\$7,500.06

* Our prudent reserve is \$10,000.00 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.

Office Committee Financial Report		
2025 January		
Revenue Previous Month		
Bookstore Sales		\$431.94
Refunds		
Interest		\$0.12
Transfer funds		\$286.00
	Total Revenue	\$718.06
Expenses		
Office Supplies		\$63.13
Book Purchases		\$826.44
	Total Expenses	\$889.57
	Subtotal	-\$146.62
	Previous Balance	\$2,776.67
	New Balance	\$2,630.05
	50%total Prudent Reserve (\$2500)	\$2,500.00
	Working Balance	\$130.05
	Inventory	\$2,457.20
	Petty Cash on hand	\$45.00