

**WESTERN NEW YORK OA INTERGROUP (IG) MEETING MINUTES FOR
April 6, 2018**

OFFICERS:

- Chairperson: Carol S.
- Treasurer: sue s.
- Secretary: carole h
- Literature: liz o
- WSO delegate and alternate: positions open

COMMITTEES:

- Hotline: Amy K-S
- Meeting List: Janet m
- Public Information: vacant
- Special Events: vacant
- Hospitality: Joanie L.
- Designated downloader:

Carole s. opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer 8:38am

- 12 Steps read by maureen s
- 12 traditions read by sue s
- 12 concepts of service read
by Charyll

Members Present;

1. Charyll (voting) (mon/alt rep)
2. Janet m. (Meeting list)
3. Sue m. (Voting)(sun rep)
4. Maureen s.(Voting)(sat rep)
5. Carol s (tiebreaker)(chair)
6. Sue s. (Voting) (treasurer)
7. Carole h. (Voting) (secretary)
8. Victoria a (voting)(tues rep alt)
9. Sally h (voting)(mon night)

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Copies of the feb 2018 minutes were distributed

TREASURER'S REPORT: See attaches report

Motion to accept: sally h

Second: sue
Motion carried

LITERATURE REPORT:

No report, Liz O. Not present

SPECIAL EVENTS: a chair is needed for this committee. Qualifications: 6 months abstinence and 3 months attendance at an OA group

REGION 6

No report

W.S.O.

No report. IG needs someone to go in the OA website and report a summary of activity for the next IG

GROUP REP REPORTS:

1. Sue m reports fluctuating attendance for Sunday Pm meeting. possibly weather related. Minimal newcomers.
2. Sally h reports has a good group of 4 members. Many students attend.
3. Carol s reminded sally to give he professional packet to these students.

MEETING LIST: Janet m. brought new lists, no changes

FLUTTERBY: inactive, carol s encouraged people to get the Lifeline

HOTLINE: no report. It was mentioned it seems to be functioning well

DESIGNATED DOWNLOADER: no report

WNY WEBSITE:

Carol s encouraged each group to fill out survey monkey on the WNY IG website. Most questions are answered yes or no.

SPECIAL EVENTS:

1. Discussed the next 15 week step study, possibly offer a different night than Wednesday, and whether it could meet in tonawanda. Will perhaps start in sept. And break for thanksgiving week. The inaugural groups are getting ready to finish the study.

2. 36 are registered for the retreat, and the committee is prepared for 45. There will be a basket raffle. There was plenty of money for scholarships, and no money was required from IG.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Special events for fall: first survey monkey is on website, which will help IG set goals for the next year. IG will use info.to determine what special events WNY would like to see. The schedule is already laid out for this year. Carol s suggests there be a committee for each event. Each group should look to the OA.ORG website to search for topics and how to run said meeting.
2. That being said, carol s stressed need for a special events coordinator
3. Fall retreat: October 12-14 2018
Spring retreat may 17-19 2019
Fall retreat September 27-29 2019
Spring retreat April 24-26 2020
Fall retreat October 9-11 2020
4. Attendance at special events was discussed, and why it has been so low. This past year was reviewed, and all the presentations were excellent. 20 people is considered a good turnout. Perhaps we need to lower our expectations. Now people are getting recovery from podcasts as it is more efficient.
5. PI chair is needed , 6 months abstinence is required.
6. Changes to bylaws was discussed. Carol asked that the office of vice chair needs to be filled. Maybe make it a co-chair, and split the duties, to be discussed at a future IG meeting.
7. Bi-monthly IG meetings were discussed, or have group reps meet monthly for an exchange of information such as flyers, etc., would be a shorter meeting format as well. Could also have subcommittees meet at that time.
8. Changing the time of year to elect new officers to March.IG board is setup to run for 1 year, special events 2 year term. You can serve up to 3 terms. Should we change all board positions to 2 year commitments? Carol s asked all group reps present these ideas to their groups.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Newcomer retention report
2. Filling the designated downloader position by maureen s.

NEXT IG MEETING: may 5, 2018 st Stephens church

- motion to close the meeting at 9:55: maureen s
- Seconded by charyll
- Motion carried

Meeting with recitation of the serenity prayer
Adjournment