

PLEASE TAKE TO YOUR NEXT MEETING / BUSINESS MEETING

WESTCHESTER UNITED INTERGROUP

MEETING MINUTES FOR AUGUST 1ST, 2002

The meeting started at approximately 7:47pm with the Serenity Prayer, the reading of the Preamble, 12 Steps, 12 Traditions, and 7-14 of the 12 Concepts.

Those Present: **Phil S.** chair, **Karen S.** Parliamentarian & Reg. 6 Delegate; **Mary T.** Recording Secretary, **Carol C.** Friday Ossining, **MaryAnne** 7am Tues NWP, **Lisa G.** Fri 10:30am WP, **Jonathan** Treasurer, **Shirley** Mon Night WP, **David** Mon Mt. Kisco, **Sandie** Thurs Just for Today, **Eleanor** Wed pm Yonkers, **Beth** Tues pm Tarrytown, **Kathy D.** Mon pm Pelham, **Carol B.** Newsletter Co-Editor, **Rachel** WP Wed noon, **Beatrice** Mon am WP, **Bill** Wed pm Peekskill.

SIGN-IN SHEET CIRCULATED

RECORDING SECRETARY (*Mary T.*)

- ?? No minutes available to distribute; will be included with the August minutes (Jean) and approved in September.

TREASURER'S REPORT (*Jonathan*)

- ?? This position is in transition since Lionel's resignation; Jonathan working with Lionel.
- ?? The deficit noted on the report will become positive when new deposits are posted 8/2.
- ?? The July bill for phone services was not received in time to post to report; will post 8/2.
- ?? The Start-Up fund listed for "Thursday" should read "Friday".
- ?? There is a need to coordinate the signature changes at the bank before elections in October (add Jonathan, Bobbye and Mary T; remove Lionel; keep Betsy and Phil). Discussion resulted in decision to keep as is until the 10/3 meeting; have Phil and Betsy co-sign in the interim (not Lionel).
- ?? Motion to file for audit -- APPROVED

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT (*Betsy on vacation*)

- ?? Last meeting list is current with few changes which were received too late to include in report to Phil.

PASS THE BASKET Basket Passed

OLD BUSINESS:

Speaker Bank (*Kathy*)

- ?? Not much work done in this area this month due to the work on the Convention. There are 10-12 people listed at this point.
- ?? It was decided to list Kathy's telephone number on the Meeting List as the contact for the Speaker Bank; Kathy will contact Betsy to have this done. It will also be published in the Newsletter.
- ?? There was then a discussion about the excess quantity of printing of the Newsletter; but it was decided that it was not really cost-effective to cut back on the production, and extra printed copies would be included in Newcomer's packets and be available at the Convention. A double-run of the Newsletter will be done for the Convention.

Sponsor Bank (*Vacancy*)

- ?? There is still a need for a Chair for this committee. Anyone meeting the abstinence and attendance requirements is eligible even if they are not presently IG reps; members asked to approach home meeting attendees for this service.

Hotline Update (Jeanne)

- ?? Notes were read into the record by Phil. The Hotline is being updated. An updated script is on the Hotline and the contact members were confirmed. Apparently the Hotline is working since the reps have been receiving new phone calls.

Public Information (PI) Update (Vacancy)

- ?? Still in need of a chair. This position coordinates the Public Service Announcements and public relations to let people know that we exist. The position requires that the nominee be working the 12 steps for one year, be familiar with the 12 Traditions and the 12 Concepts, have six months abstinence at the time of election, have regular attendance at an active OA group for six months, and have been an IG rep for 6 months.
- ?? Lisa volunteered to work on the committee until a chair is elected.
- ?? Discussion about putting ad contact info on the website to make it easier for continuity.
- ?? Still in need of directions to local meetings throughout Westchester to put on the website. So far, directions have been received for the Sunday Tarrytown meeting, Thursday White Plains, and the Intergroup Meetings.
- ?? Directions submitted should be sent with detailed street information by email Word document to Karen S. They cannot link to Mapquest directly due to the advertisements on that website. We are allowed to link to Adobe Acrobat reader to allow viewing of the directions.
- ?? The website address is www.oawestchester-ny.org.

Newsletter (Carol)

- ?? The current Newsletter copies are available at this meeting.
- ?? It will be posted on the website when the format is changed.
- ?? Carol already submits it to *Lifeline* and there is a high probability that a submitted article will be published. This is a great service.
- ?? The topic next issue will be the same as this issue: "THE SPECIFICS OF MY PROGRAM – HOW I WORK MY PROGRAM ON A DAILY BASIS".
- ?? The next deadline for submission is September 15th.

NEW BUSINESS:

Elections

- ?? Elections will be held at the October 3rd meeting; nominations for the positions of Treasurer, Recording Secretary, and Corresponding Secretary. Nominations will be accepted at the September and October meetings. These positions have two-year terms.
- ?? Region 6 delegates and Committee Chairs have one-year terms and will also be nominated in September and October for election at the October 3rd meeting. October 5th will be the next Region 6 Assembly (in Waterbury, CT?). The meeting is a full day, and is conducted twice per year. The focus of the Assembly is to run workshops (Public Information, Sponsorship, etc.) to bring back ideas to the local Intergroups. The Region 6 service can be a stepping stone to doing service at the World Service Level.

Region 6 Delegate

- ?? Karen is resigning as the Region 6 delegate and the Webmaster. She has been appointed a General Service Trustee for World Service. Since she will be a voting member of the Board of Trustees of World Service, she has to step down from all her other voting positions and service above the group level. She has asked World Service that the requirement for resigning from her position as the Region 6 Convention Chair be waived to allow her to continue until November.
- ?? Three or four Region 6 committee reps are up for election in October.
- ?? Also needed is a new Webmaster. Karen will teach her successor Microsoft Frontpage 2000 (it does not get down to HTML level); there is no abstinence requirement for this position.
- ?? Beth accepted the position as Webmaster.

Carried-Over Item:

- ? ? Last month, there was a discussion tabled until this month: Group Donations – Where are they going?
- ? ? Motion to publish actual group donations in each Newsletter (received since the previous Newsletter).
Newsletter Chair will interact directly with the Treasurer to formulate procedure for doing this. A Year-to-Date summary will be included at the end of the year.
- ? ? Vote: 12 Yea, 1 Nay
- ? ? Motion ADOPTED

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ? ? None

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

- ? ? Motion passed.
- ? ? Meeting adjourned at 9:40pm.

Respectfully submitted by Mary T., Recording Secretary

**REMEMBER:
OUR NEXT MEETING IS SEPTEMBER 5TH, 2002**