

November 2006



Westchester United Intergroup of Overeaters Anonymous



# .A. MINUTES

Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Pleasantville, NY ■ Meets 1st Thursday of the Month at 7:30PM  
Our WUIG website is, [www.oawestchester-ny.org](http://www.oawestchester-ny.org) · OA Websites, [www.oa.org](http://www.oa.org), [www.oaregion6.org](http://www.oaregion6.org)

## MEETING Announcements

*Intergroup Reps doing service here are the pertinent announcements to spread the message.*

### Yorktown having it's 2 Yr. Daytime Anniversary

Meeting is planned for **Wednesday, December 13th, from 1-2 pm.**  
(Drinks, Raffles & Speaker)

## Convention Articles Wanted

Recent October Catskill Convention articles, share your experience with others. Contact Priscilla via Email: [thunderstorm6@msn.com](mailto:thunderstorm6@msn.com)

## Be in the loop! for OA News via E-mail

for meeting anniversaries, announcements, changes, etc. email (WUIG's Webmistress) Beth YOUR email address requesting to be added to the OA Distribution list at [bklied@gmail.com](mailto:bklied@gmail.com)

## O.A. goes to the Movies!

Through contributions to WUIG, we are able to "carry the message" in a movie slide which will appear in 5 screens at the White Plains City Center for 12 weeks, beginning December 8th. Way to Spread the Message! Thank you all.

### Attending: *Of Intergroup's 40 plus participants, 17 were in attendance.*

Anne B. (chair), John B. (vice-chair), Larissa M. (corresponding sec. & region 6 rep), Jmel Willson (temporary sponsor bank & fri. white plains/St. Matthews), Roberta M. (speaker bank & Mon. White Plains), Carol B. (public information), Priscilla R. (newsletter), Beth T. (webmistress), Kimberly P (Mon. Yorktown Mothers & others & temporary rec.sec.), Felicia M. (wed. katonah), Bobbye H. (AR) (Wed. Ossining), Sheila M. (thurs. Hartsdale), Jean B. (thurs. larchmont/mamaroneck), Tom S. (thurs. white plains), Margaret B. (Thur. night Yorktown), Mark (sat. scarborough men's)

*The meeting opened with serenity prayer, introductions, the Preamble, the 12 steps, the 12 traditions and 7-12 of the concepts of service.*

### Recording Secretary:

Motion: In October Minutes Tom was noted under Old Business "Elections" as having read the acting chairs report when in fact it was John B. (correction from Tom to John B.) with changes made, motion passed - - 13 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention

### Treasurer's Report:

Emailed into WUIG by Kim D., request to table allocation of funds till Dec., MOTION: to file for audit. All in Favor 15 and 1 Abstention. Kim D. did supply us with current financial report and highlights the following: · Last month the group agreed to send \$1,500.00 to WSO and R6. This has been noted on the donations report. · No group donations were received.

*The basket was passed for donations.*

## OLD BUSINESS

**Chair:** Anne suggested we focus on "Crisis in Intergroup", after 2 minutes of quiet prayer time with our Higher Powers we each had a 2 minute sharing session to present any thoughts regarding "unfilled IG positions" and overall opinion of IG or suggestions to improve it.

MOTION to Share: 14 in favor (unanimous)

Here, are the rough outcomes of thoughts from that open share: · Add excitement to IG, focus on different activities, breath new life into WUIG · Reps need to MAKE announcements AT meetings, traditions (7) service is an integral part of program, what is means to give service · Encourage (invite) people to come to IG meetings to see what they're (IG) is doing · Fear of WUIG meetings creates conflict in some · Support and build confidence in sponsors by adding "sponsor education" with emphasis on "teaching service" · Groups need direct support, generate interest in WUIG · What is relevance of IG; let's inform "public" what we do, want to do & how we can inspire others · (Reps) Don't trivialize what we are doing at WUIG (speak positively about IG) · Promote creativity to reach those who suffer · Less paper pushing & reports and more action with a plan · Fear that people can't do service because they don't qualify · Suggestion to create "Monthly-themed" IG's (pick monthly topic) and move IG meeting around from month-to-month. · Less inclusive IG meetings · Fear of "stress" at IG meetings · reps taking up special/second collection for Public Information Committee to use in order to "spread the message" in the upcoming year (fairs, ads, advertisement). Some expressed a problem with listening to conflict, also dis-

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cussed was the result of the earlier survey of WUIG members that said that some felt they could not come to Intergroup because being here would make them lose their abstinence, due to inability to deal with whatever happens here. One person suggested that sponsors be encouraged to push people to volunteer for Intergroup.

MOTION: To form a committee to look at format of IG meetings, motion amended with "investigate format and issues". Newsletter to be used more proficiently; celebrate Anniversary meetings, marathons, updates, Utilize better what we have available. Newsletter gets run off every 2 months, but with advance notice it can serve better at spreading the message. All in favor (unanimous) of forming the committee: 6 people formed; Larissa, Carol B., Beth, Jean, Sheila, and Roberta. CHAIR MOTIONS that we postpone election items to address PI committee, all in favor; 13 in favor, 2 abstain.

## Public Information:

Carol B. presented a report and recommendation form the PI Committee regarding "carrying the message" to the community through advertising in a movie theatre in a slide presentation prior to movie showing. (Please refer to attached report for details, including a discussion of Tradition 11.)

MOTION was made for WUIG to approve \$1500.00 funding for movie ads. Motion seconded. Discussion included who will own the ad once produced, i.e. Screenvision or WUIG, because concern was raised that if we do not own it, there might be a break in tradition in future use. This will be investigated before signing any contract.

MOTION: Give \$1500 to PI Committee for movie advertisements; 14 yes, 2 abstain.

MOTION to extend meeting by 10 minutes (unanimous)

*Point of Information:* Beth will investigate the possibility of an additional website address with an address which is easier to remember and which connects to our web for tracking purposes.

Priscilla also suggests considering demographics of study between the 2 theatres.

We took a group conscience that we decided not to explicitly vote on the officer positions listed in the agenda, which were; chair (Anne B), recording secretary (Kimberly P), world service business delegate, and public information (Carol B) because we did not have time - and that we would go forward with people in the acting positions they are currently in.

## SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Corresponding Secretary:** Larissa currently researching a vanity ph. number thru hotline vendor.

*No official reports given on the following committees because we were out of time:*

Newsletter, Website, Speaker Bank, Hotline, Temporary Sponsor Bank, I.R. Mentoring, Outreach, 12-Step Within

## NEW BUSINESS

**In December:** Treasurer funds distribution, Hotline, Website sign-up distribution?

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Abstinence Anniversaries
- IR's: PLEASE refer to our ([www.oawestchester-ny.org](http://www.oawestchester-ny.org)) website for current announcements

## Intergroup Reps:

This an an exciting time within WUIG, we ask for YOUR support (attendance) in carrying the message for the Meeting group that you represent. Taking on Service as an IG Rep is amazing SERVICE we can all do.



NEXT  
INTERGROUP  
MEETING:  
**Dec. 7th**  
at 7:30pm

**Meeting List Changes:** Larissa 914.682-8467  
**Intergroup Rep Changes:** Beatrice at 282-9006  
**Speaker Bank :** Roberta at 914-423-4540  
**Hotline Updates:** Larissa at 914-682-8467

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