

Westchester United Intergroup of Overeaters Anonymous
Emmanuel Lutheran Church
Pleasantville NY
January 2007

Meetings 1st Thursday of the month at 7:30pm
Our WUIG website is www.oawestchester-ny.org
OA websites: www.oa.org; www.oaregion6.org

Attending: Bobbye H. (Bryant Ave – Wed)); Sheila M. (recording secretary; Hartsdale), Margaret (Yorktown Meth Ch); Roseanne (Bryant Ave); Tom S. (Bryant Ave Thurs; Reg. 6 Delegate; co-chair Meeting Outreach/IR Mentoring); Carol (Ossining); Jan G. (corresponding secretary); Larissa M. (outgoing corresponding secretary); Cathy (Tues BB step study); Debbie S. (12 step within committee; region 6 delegate; Bryant Ave Tues); Jean B (Larchmont); Kim D. (treasurer, region 6 delegate); Roberta M. (region 6 delegate; Bryant Ave Mon); Anne B (acting chair); John B. (acting vice chair)

Read: Preamble; 12 steps; 12 traditions; 7-12 rules of service
Sign in sheet & basket passed around

Recording Secretary (outgoing acting recording secretary not present)

Minutes approved, 12 for 1 against

Sheila M. nominated recording secretary: 9 for; 1 against; 5 abstaining

Treasurer's report -- copy attached

Approved for audit (vote???)

\$260 raised from the marathon on Nov. 11

Sharing session on Intergroup:

topic: "Why do some people say that Intergroup makes them pick up?" 2 minutes of silence followed by 2 minute shares: selected comments appear in appendix

Corresponding Secretary

Larissa resigned.

Jan G. was nominated & elected (vote???)

Motion: Print 150 additional copies of meeting list: (vote:11 for, 1 abstaining ???)

Discussion of whether WUIG meetings should be listed as closed or open on the World Service website. Most meetings on the World Service website are listed as "open" and all of our currently are, even though they are really "closed"

Motion: List our meetings in accordance with the policies of the World Service website, where the terms "open" and "closed" are defined (Vote: 11 for, 1 opposed ???)

Copy of new meeting list attached.

Moment of silence for Felicia who is in the hospital

Newsletter The newsletter was not available due to a problem with the printer. A few copies were made available to meeting attenders. It was noticed that a poem was quoted on the first page. A motion was made & seconded to delete the poem as non-program literature and possibly a copyright problem. (Vote: 10 for, 2 opposed, 1 abstaining)

12 step within committee

- The marathon in White Plains on Nov. 11 grossed \$360, of which \$100 went as rent, leaving \$260 for Intergroup. Response was positive.
- Another marathon is planned for March 24 or 31 from 1-5 at the Barker Ave Church. They will be renting 2 spaces, both upstairs and downstairs to accommodate 4 discussion groups

Hotline

Larissa elected chair of hotline (vote???)

Public information committee report delivered to Chair, copy attached.

NEXT MEETING FEB 1, 2007

Selected comments in response to question “Why do some people feel that Intergroup makes them pick up?”

- sensed tension and unrest at first
- if one is ‘triggered’ anything could do it
- resentments can fester anywhere
- I ask ‘What is happening in me?’
- Praying looking at something will will help
- Business can be troubling to each person if they take things personally
- people may not understand traditions – they have their own agendas – program not feelings
- I am judgmental – but want to do what is good for the group
- 30 people will have 30 opinions
- I want to do service
- the process may make some people uncomfortable
- Cliquishness was unsettling at first
- Why would a group meeting be an excuse to pick up? Each person has a different excuse
- Controversy and discussion are necessary – That’s life
- Sessions could be hot & heavy over the years – some people think it’s political, etc. You take it in stride, like a grain of salt
- At first I didn’t understand – now grateful

Public Information Committee

Oral report of Carol B as transcribed by Anne B.

The movie ad is on screens 11-15 at the White Plains City Center and will be on until March 1.

There has been no committee meeting

Carol has been to the theater twice and uncovered technical difficulties with our ad and reported them to the management of the theater. Another OA reported to Carol that she saw the ad and it looked good.