

- **Attendees:** Mary: Chair; Mike: Vice Chair, Region 6 Rep, WSBC Delegate, PI/PO Co-Chair; Megan: Recording Secretary; Cynthia: Region 6 Rep, Newcomer Retention Co-Chair; Ellen: Webmaster, Sunday WP; Leslie: Wed Yorktown; Carolyn: Visitor; Carol: Service Coordinator; Leigh: Friday Brewster; Alison: Tues Pleasantville, Social Media Chair; Anne: Sunday Tarrytown, WP Fri 12:30; Susannah: Saturday South Salem; David: Thursday Hartsdale, Mike W: Wednesday WP; Stephanie: Mon Pelham; Lisa: Wednesday Katonah; Sarah: Workshops Co-Chair; Lisa F, visitor
- **Minutes:** accepted as submitted
- **Treasurer's Report:** ending balance is \$12,177.43
 - Mary will double check the donation to Stepping Stones and will clarify at Oct meeting
- **Corresponding Secretary:** couldn't be here tonight, she made changes on meeting lists and on [OA.org](#) that were needed,
 - Brewster Friday morning meeting was moved to handicap accessible location, also new Dobbs Ferry meeting so new meeting list is available.
 - Discussion about the WUIG tradition of donating \$50 to assist new groups with start-up costs.
- **Updates:**
 - Sponsorship Day: 42 people attended, everyone enjoyed and we want to do it again for next year. Thanks to Anthony and Lynne for co-chairing this event! (Noted that the Chair incorrectly listed the co-chair on the agenda; it should have been Lynne and not Debbie.)
- **Active Committees:**
 - Intergroup Outreach: Cathy is new IGOR (Intergroup Outreach) chair, please see Cathy if you are a new Intergroup Rep and/or need to receive your red folder.
 - Website: position is resolved, more details to the follow

- Newsletter: new newsletter forthcoming; looking for helpers to put together the layout
- PI/PO: Cape Cod intergroup made a library visit their PI project: they gave 12&12s and displayed the "OA YoYo" poster with information
 - There was an OA poster contest to design a new outreach poster which will be available for us to use.
 - Mike explained the PI Blitz: how we can ask for money from World Service to create and mount a campaign for PI. Blitz requests are due 60 days before assembly.
 - Distributed official OA post-it's for local meeting advertisement
 - 12th Step Within: no report
- Sponsor Bank: please list yourself if you're a new sponsor with Jeanette
- Service Coordinator: new updated forms, see Carol to find out what kind of service you can provide for your OA fellows
- **Ad Hoc Committees:**
 - Newcomer Retention: Cathy & Cynthia will be working on a format which will be available for meetings to utilize if they wish
 - Workshops: *Spirituality Made Simple* is forthcoming, new format, meditation break out
 - Motion made and passed to order 72 stones with the serenity prayer on it to give away at the workshop
 - Sarah is piloting new texting service which has been successful so far
 - She is glad to be in charge of it for all IG outreach; she just needs mobile phone numbers of members
 - For *Service Made Simple* Dec 3; she will work with Carol about coordinating service opportunities

- Can we get someone from region to talk about the convention and service?
- Social Media Initiative: no updates, needs support
- 15 week Step Study: nothing to report at this time
- IDEA Day: Pleasantville Presbyterian Church reserved; \$100 deposit made
 - Topics--> Relationships in Recovery, Work, Family, Life Balance, Sex on Sunday morning
- **Old Business:**
 - Results of a convention 2019 Region 6 Survey- discussion and vote
 - We were asked by the Region 6 convention committee to host the Region 6 convention in the Westchester area.
 - We disseminated a survey and it seems like we have enough people to chair committees and host a convention.
 - We could get help from local IGs like NYC and CT. There is a manual that tells you what to do. There is Convention Chair/Co-Chair support being provided from our Canadian resources.
 - If you are a convention chair, you miss many meetings but are there for keynotes. You can get the recordings of the meetings.
 - Committees: Entertainment, Fundraising (Raffles and Merchandising), Hospitality, Service Coordinator, Literature, Printing, Program (Speakers and Topics) , Audio-Visual, Public Information, Registration, Hotel Liaison, Secretary, Signs and Decorations, Treasurer, Webpage
 - We would need to put the proposal into the fall assembly 2018: so bones of it will need to be completed by September 2018 with input from convention committee veterans
 - Preliminary vote is 13 pro, with no opposed on and 3 abstentions
 - So we are going to the host the Convention 2019!

- Answering Machine: discussion and develop an action plan
 - Sarah looked into google voice, we can't transfer our number, we would need a new one
 - We could erase our current messages and change it to 4 mailboxes: one for general program info, one for beginners meetings, one for a callback, etc
 - We would need someone to coordinate with Atlantic Communications
 - Carol will find someone to volunteer to do that
- Elections in October: nominations will be taken from the floor for Chair, Vice Chair, WSBC Delegates and Region 6 Reps
 - Chair: Mary T
 - Vice Chair: Mike C
 - WSBC Delegates: Cynthia, Mary, Mike
 - Region 6 Rep: Cynthia, Carol G, Cathy
- Retreat 2018 topic, further discussion (BB Study, new OA 12&12)
- **New business:**
 - New meeting: AldersGate UMC in Dobbs Ferry Wednesday's 9:30-10:45
 - Consider implementing Tradition 8 to fill Treasurer position: discussion and Anne B appointed to be treasurer for one year, or until she needs to relinquish position

5 key points for your group:

- 1) Workshop next Sunday 9/17 on Spirituality made Simple at YWCA 2-5pm
- 2) Convention 2019 will be in Westchester
- 3) IDEA Day Marathon 11/18
- 4) New sponsors sign up with Jeanette 914-428-3662

- 5) New meeting in Dobbs Ferry in Wednesday at 9:30 am - for more information see new meeting list