

SNI Meeting Minutes for Saturday, December 5, 2020.

The regular meeting of the Suburban North Intergroup (SNI) was held on Saturday, December 5, 2020 via Zoom.

Chair Deanna B. opened the meeting at 10:00 am with the Serenity Prayer.

Present were:

Board members: Chair: Deanna B. (also Region 5 [R5] Representative and World Service Business Conference [WSBC] Delegate; Vice Chair: Wanda C. (also R5 Representative and WSBC Delegate); Treasurer: Neal M. (present, then left); Acting Recording Secretary: Maureen R; and Corresponding Secretary: Open

Intergroup Representatives (IR's):

Sunday 10 am Highland Park: Belinda G.

Monday 10 am Northbrook: (Sue N.) Laurel R.

Monday 6 pm Arlington Heights: Caroline St.

Wednesday 9:30 am Schaumburg: June L. (also Designated Downloader)

Wednesday 7:00 pm Stillwater Barrington: Lauryl B.

Friday 9:00 am Trinity Lutheran, Elgin: Dawn R.

Saturday 8 am Libertyville: Sue G.

Saturday 10 am Crystal Lake: Christine G.

Visitor:

Saturday 8 am Libertyville: Jen N.

Sue G. read the 12 Steps, Lauryl B. read the 12 Traditions and Deanna B. read the long version of Concept 12, Spiritual Foundation for OA Service.

Wanda C. read the SNI Standing Rules which were approved as adopted.

The proposed agenda was approved as written.

November 7, 2020 SNI Minutes approved as written.

Reports/Updates/Questions/Comments/Clarifications:

Reports from the Chair, Treasurer, Region 5 Representative and Designated Downloader were sent out before the meeting. Updates and other reports are listed here.

Designated Downloader (June L.):

From WSO News Bulletin-November: 5 new Workshops to support OA Holidays: IDEA Day (11/21-11/22), 12- Step Within Day (12/12/20), Sponsorship Day (3 Events) and Back to Basics supporting any Fellowship Day. All documents can be found in the Document Library at oa.org.

Please, send End-Of-Year OA Contributions/Automatic/Recurring Contributions to thank OA for our Recovery either online (oa.org/contribute) or via mail-in forms.

NEW Region 5 ADDRESS: (Treasurer: Linda P.; Email: treasurer@region5.org); Mail Contributions to: Region 5 OA, PO Box 221224, Shaker Heights, Ohio. 44122

Virtual Region Events: Today 12/5 (1-3 pm CST) 'Hope for the Holidays'; 12/6 (3-6 pm CST) 'Steps 10-11 and 12'; 12/12 (12-1:30 pm CST) 'Reflection Workshop...Relapse & Recovery'; 12/12 (12-3 pm CST) 'Let's talk About the Food'; 12/12 (9-11 pm CST) 'Candlelight Promises', etc. Additional Workshops throughout December and New Years Day, plus Phone Marathons, are in the report.

Chair Report: (Deanna B.). Technical difficulties reported (Weds night Barrington group had not received SNI materials). Numerous error messages occurred. It took two weeks, with the help of Region 5, to unravel the email issues.

Since the Acting Recording Secretary is technically unable to keep and maintain the e-blast list, as well as send attachments, Carolyn St. was appointed to temporarily assume this task until the Recording Secretary position is filled.

Ricki G. is temporarily maintaining the Meeting List (which was updated 12/10/20 and e-blast distributed 12/17/20). Also e-blasted was : Sunday 6:30 pm Heritage Woods ELGIN MEETING which RESUMED at tel#: 312-626-6799. Zoom ID: 860 89 89 6699, PW: 1212.

SNI RECOVERY EVENT for 12/19/20 (1-4 pm). Flyer has NEW Zoom ID: 953 4723 1791 with PW: 458 266. Joel I., Region 5 Secretary, amended the flyer on their website. Progress update reported. Next Planning Meeting Sunday, December 6 at 3 pm. Volunteers are still welcomed. Future 'SNI Projects' deferred until January Meeting.

Qualifications for the two open Board positions of Recording Secretary (pg. C-9) and Corresponding Secretary (pg. C-7 and C-8) were reviewed from the Handbook. Mention made of three (of five) Committee Chair-ships that remain open (TSW, PI/PO and Bylaws). Further discussion to ensue about the possibility of changing/amending SNI Bylaws to include Committee Chair people on the SNI Board. Deanna commented: Our Higher Power does not call the equipped but equips the called.

Vice Chair Report: (Wanda C.). Wanda is attending Region 5's Intergroup to Intergroup Subcommittee 'Renewal Workshop' today (12/5) at 3:00 pm. She will give report at January SNI Meeting.

Treasurer Report: (Neal M.). Neal reported no changes in the report sent. (Neal ill and left the meeting). Deanna added the Proposed 2021 Budget and end-of-year review, conducted by the Finance Committee, will meet mid-December.

New Business: Dawn R. suggested not only SNI but also WSO and Region 5 addresses be e-blasted to the SNI OA fellowship. Then, individual donations can be sent in from Zoom meetings. Discussion held if there's enough room on the Meeting List to have Ricki include the two additional addresses. If so, they will be incorporated. Also, Intergroup Representatives can request the addresses from their local group. Further discussion held that decisions, via group conscious meetings, are made as to how the OA groups' 7th tradition monies are distributed.

Committee Reports:

Winging It Newsletter: (Penny N., Chair) Absent. No Report.

Finance Committee: (Neal M., Chair) Deanna reported the Committee is to meet mid-December for end-of-year report and 2021 proposed budget.

TSW Committee: Chair Open

PI/PO Committee: Chair Open

Bylaws Committee: Chair Open

What to bring back: 1. NEW ADDRESS FOR REGION 5 DONATIONS aforementioned in Minutes. 2. Voluntarily assignments of Carolyn St. to e-blast SNI materials/attachments and Ricki G. to continue with the SNI Meeting List. 3. E-blast of three addresses of SNI, Region 5 and WSO. 4. See June's report and copy upcoming Events for December and the Holidays. 5. PLEASE, during these Holiday times, reach out to members whom you've not seen nor heard from in awhile.

Closing: The meeting closed at 12:00 noon with the Third Step Prayer. The NEXT SNI meeting will be held via Zoom (ID: 879 0524 7368, PW: SNI) Saturday, January 2, 2020 from 10 am to 12 noon.

Respectively submitted,

Maureen R. ,

Acting Recording Secretary.