

SNI Meeting Minutes for Saturday, April 1, 2023

The regular meeting of the Suburban North Intergroup (SNI) was held on Saturday, April 1, 2023, on Zoom. Wanda C. opened the meeting at 10:16 am with the Serenity Prayer.

Present were:

Board members: Chair: Wanda C. (also Region 5 {R5} Representative and World Service Business Conference {WSBC} Delegate); Vice Chair: Carolyn S. (also R5 Representative); Recording Secretary: Laural R. (also Website Chair); and Acting Corresponding Secretary: Maureen R. (also keeper of SNI Meeting and Sponsorship Lists and Zoom Committee Chair)

Intergroup Representatives (IRs)

- Wednesday 9:30 am St. Marcelline, Schaumburg: June L. (also Designated Downloader)
- Thursday, 10:00 am Northbrook: Pat H.
- Friday, 9:00 am Holy Trinity, Elgin: Diane McF.
- Friday, 10:00 am St. Benedict's Abbey, Benet Lake, WI: Susan M.

-Susan M. read the Twelve Steps; Pat H. read the Twelve Traditions; Susan M. reflected on Tradition 4 (Autonomy); and Maureen R. read the short version of Concept 4 (Equality).

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

-There were no changes and/or additions to the agenda.

-The March 4, 2023 minutes were accepted with one minor change.

Reports/Questions/Clarifications: Reports from the Designated Downloader, Acting Corresponding Secretary and the Region 5 Nominating Committee Meeting Minutes were sent out prior to the meeting. Updates and other reports are listed here.

Designated Downloader: June L. – (Original Report is posted on SNI website.)

-See "What to Bring Back to Your Meeting Group" for specific notes on the WSO, Virtual Region, and Region 5 entries.

ADDITIONS TO THE APRIL DOWNLOADER REPORT:

-Sunday, April 9 Easter Holiday Zoomathon 8am-8pmCDT Zoom ID: 959 959 1828 Password: 718863

-Saturday, April 1 Body Image Workshop 9:45-NoonCDT

<https://greaterheartlandoa.org/events/event/body-image-workshop/>

*Email registration to oabodyimage@gmail.com

-Saturday, April 22 Speaker Meeting Noon-1:30pmCDT [http://oa-](http://oa-nci.org/images/NCI_Quarterly_April_2023.pdf)

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Zoom ID: 833 5842 9696 Password: 089734

-Saturday, April 22 Grounded Through The OA Tools Noon-2pmCDT

<http://triangleoa.org/event/serenity-day-grounded-through-the-oa-tools-zoom/>

Zoom ID: 838 6138 9759

-Sunday, April 30 Neglected Big Book Chapters 1-3pmCDT

https://www.njioa.org/images/PDFs/event_pdfs/BBChapters.II_2.23.23.pdf

Zoom ID: 882 5160 1909 Password: 1212

Chair Report: Wanda C.

-Wanda C. presented an informal report on the Spring Region 5 Assembly. -Wanda C. serves on the PIPO and Media committees and highlighted the Intergroup Poster Party as a possible SNI TSW (Twelve Step Within) Event. If needed, R5 can assist with funding. -The IG2IG (Intergroup-to-Intergroup) committee met and discussed the problem with donations being down due to Zoom Meetings. There was much discussion around possible solutions to this problem. Future discussions are warranted. -Wanda C. also participated in a new Chair-to-Chair Meeting where IG Chairs can vent and share things that work to help each other. -Linda J. supports seven meeting groups by providing them access to Zoom for their meetings. Wanda C. encourages those groups to be self-supporting by reimbursing Linda J. one-seventh of her cost. -The Region 5 Treasurer Report is available on-line. SNI made the highest donations to R5. - All groups must include their meeting group number on all checks and/or on-line donations sent to SNI, R5, and WSO. If you donate on-line to WSO and do NOT include your meeting group number, the money is credited to the Virtual Region, not our region. -The R5 Spring Assembly had some new business. The Bylaws were changed to separate out the responsibilities of the R5 Secretary. A new position was created, Digital Communications Coordinator, (DCC) to assist the Secretary. – Attendees participated in a short writing exercise where a paragraph was written to be posted on the Region 5 website. -A formal Spring Assembly Report will be filed in May.

Vice Chair Report: Carolyn S.

-Carolyn S. spoke about her “memorable experience” attending the R5 Spring Assembly and all the new things she learned. -The Friday night IG2IG meeting was most “helpful and supportive.” She shared how our in-person TSW events were successful and encouraged other IGs to host in-person events. -The “What Intergroups Need” Survey resulted in the continuation of two new subcommittees, PIPO and IG2IG. -Carolyn S. spoke of her main take-away as being all about “connecting with others” and the energy that she felt, which was inspiring.

Acting Treasurer Report: Neal M. (Not present)

-Wanda C. brought up the idea of paying the SNI Treasurer. Other IGs have the same problem with people not willing to be treasurers. Two IGs at the Spring Assembly do pay their treasurers. One group pays \$50/month. (Their treasurer can’t serve another term but can be retained if paid.)

Recording Secretary Report: Laural R. (No formal report)

Acting Corresponding Secretary Report: Maureen R.

-Half of the SNI meeting groups do not have an IG representative. Maureen R. encouraged everyone to keep reaching out to those groups. -For those groups with representatives, when a representative leaves, Maureen R. suggested they not leave, until they have a replacement. Furthermore, the current representative needs to help with the transition to the new representative. -Maureen R. recommended that SNI members encourage meeting groups to have a treasurer. It would be a way for a member to give service. Additionally, the treasurer would disperse the funds on a quarterly basis and make sure that the meeting group’s number was included in all donations. -There were a few corrections to the report. Under “SNI Intergroup Renewal Goals” See 3.) should read as Monday (not Friday). See #10. Thursday, 7 pm should read Thursday, 6:30 pm. See #12.-delete this entry.

Business

Recovery Event Poster Party

