

This is an unadopted draft. If you have suggestions for improving the minutes, please tell me as soon as possible by email (susan.m.oe@gmail.com). Thank you for your service!

Call to order: The regular meeting of the Suburban North Intergroup (SNI) was held via Zoom only on February 7, 2026. Susan M. opened the meeting at 10 am CT with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Present were:

Board Members:

- Vice Chair: Susan M. (also acting Chair, acting Recording Secretary, Region 5 Representative, and WSBC Delegate)
- Treasurer: Carolyn S.

Representatives:

- Monday 6 pm Zoom: Shari D. (also Media Coordinator)
- Monday 7 pm: Josephine C.
- Tuesday 7 pm Zoom: Terrek G.
- Wednesday 9:30 am Schaumburg: June L. (also Designated Downloader and Alternate WSBC Delegate)
- Thursday 12 pm Crystal Lake: Diane M. (also Alternate Region 5 Representative)
- Saturday 8 am Zoom: Cathleen F.
- Saturday 11 am Northbrook: Sue S.

Other Service Positions:

- Maureen R. (Zoom Administrator)
- Paul A. (TSW and PIPO)

Visitors:

- Dan F.

Opening Ceremonies:

- Susan M. declare that a quorum was present.
- Dan F. read the 12 Steps, Cathleen F. read the 12 Traditions, Diane M. reflected on the 2nd Tradition (Trust), and Maureen R. read the long version of the 2nd Concept of OA Service (Conscience).
- The Agenda was adopted as written.
- Shari D. read the Standing Rules. We voted to amend Standing Rule 3 by striking Recording Secretary and inserting Zoom Host as the person who records the meeting. The Standing Rules were adopted as amended.
- The January SNI Minutes were adopted as previously amended.

Reports:

- **Designated Downloader:** June L.
 - June's report was **posted on our website** (OACHicagoSNI.org, click on Downloader tab) on February 1st, and included in the pre-meeting eblast February 1st.
 - **Highlights** and new information were sent out in the document "News from SNI".

- **Vice Chair:** Susan M.
 - Susan's Vice Chair report was sent in the premeeting eblast and will be part of these minutes.
 - Susan introduced Dan F. who is working on starting a new face to face men's meeting. Anyone interested may contact Dan at 773-383-2644.
 - If there are any changes to your meeting's information, please make them both on OACHicagoSNI.org and oa.org, Find a Meeting.
 - Visitors are welcome to register for the virtual Region 5 Spring Assembly (March 6-7) for free.
- **Treasurer:** Carolyn S.
 - The **Budget Report** was posted to our website (OACHicagoSNI.org, Resources, SNI Year-to-Date.) on January 30th and included in the pre-meeting eblast February 1st.
 - The December **Monthly Financial Report** was emailed to the SNI Voting Members on January 30th.
 - Carolyn has received her first electronic donation. Our QR code can be accessed on OACHicagoSNI.org, Donate.
- **Twelfth Step Within (TSW) Committee:** Paul A.
 - Mark your calendars! Our virtual recovery event “

Business:

- We voted on the Agenda Questionnaire proposals.

Wrap up:

- **The next SNI meeting** is scheduled to be Zoom only on **March 14**, 10 am – noon CT.
- The meeting was closed at 12:04 with the Serenity Prayer.

Susan M Acting Recording Secretary

February 2026 Vice Chair report

- Changes to the January minutes draft so far:
 - I corrected the spelling of the new SNI treasurer's email address.
 - I changed from “meetings” to “virtual events” in the explanation of the change in our Zoom account.
 - In the Press Release paragraph, I changed “at” to “as”, as well as rewording the last sentence so it didn't end with “to”.
- January 5th, I received confirmation that SNI's phone number had been removed from oa.org, Find-a-Meeting, Find a Service Body. (Our event flyer was posted on oa.org earlier.)
- Our phone number was removed from the intergroups page and our event flyer posted on the calendar of Region5OA.org on Wednesday, January 14th.
- I am registered for the Parliamentary Procedures Training.
 - Registration is still open.

- Though I have a conflict that will keep me from signing on at the start of each session, I do plan to attend as much as I can and review all the slides and recordings.
- I was able to attend parts of the first two workshop (January 11th and 18th), and it was fun to see some fellows I know from WSBC.
- What I have already learned will change some of how we do things at SNI. For instance, I have added declaration of a quorum (or not) to the agenda. I have also learned more about the impartiality of the chair. I have made mistakes with both issues last year. There are issues I haven't come to terms with yet, so may still error on. One day at a time, I am learning and growing!
- Dan F is working toward starting a new face-to-face men's meeting.
- Last month, we updated our policies to include technical service positions. This month we had a policy motion to include those position with those who need to have access to email.
- The two bylaw motions will be considered on March 14th, as we are required to notify all of our groups 30 days in advance of a vote to amend our bylaws. Please pass the information on to your groups.
- I have registered for the Region 5 Spring Assembly, which will be held virtually March 6 & 7. There is no registration fee and visitors are welcome (and also need to register).
- I have registered for WSBC and reserved my hotel room.