

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 hybrid with the in-person part at the Buffalo Grove Youth Center on April, 4, 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)
- Friday 7:30 pm: Neal M.
- Saturday 11 am Northbrook: Sarah J.

Other Service Positions:

- Maureen R. (Zoom Administrator)

Visitors:

- No visitors were present.

Opening Ceremonies:

- Susan M. declared a quorum was present.
- Neal M. read the 12 Steps, Josephine C. read the 12 Traditions, Neal M. reflected on the 4th Tradition (Autonomy), and Carolyn S. read the long version of the 4th Concept of OA Service (Equality).
- The Agenda was adopted as written.
- Shari D. read the Standing Rules, which were adopted as written.
- The March 14, 2026 SNI Minutes were adopted as written.

Reports:

- **Designated Downloader:** June L.
 - June's report was sent out in the pre-meeting eblast and **posted on our website** (OACHicagoSNI.org, click on Downloader tab).
 - **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 pre-meeting eblast and will be part of these minutes.
- **Treasurer:** Carolyn S.
 - The February **Budget Report** was posted to our website (OACHicagoSNI.org, Resources, SNI Year-to-Date.) on March 29th.

- The February **Monthly Financial Report** was emailed to the SNI Voting Members on March 29th.
- When making Zelle donations, be sure to indicate whether the money is for a personal or group donation, or if it is for an event.
- We discussed the gift basket that SNI donates to the Region 5 Convention each year for which we budget \$125. Members were encouraged to consider what theme we might want to use for this year's basket.
- **Twelfth Step Within Committee:** Susan M. for Paul A.
 - Paul needs to step down as TSW Committee Chair.
 - We would like to find 2 people (with at least 6 months of current abstinence each) to co-chair this committee. These do not need to be representatives.
 - Paul was hoping to have an in-person event in June or September. June is probably too soon to have an event planned and publicized. It was suggested that September is a busy OA month, especially with the Region 5 convention this September. August was suggested as a possibility.

Business:

- **The WSBC motions, nominees, literature** were discussed. Anyone with strong opinions on any of these items which will be voted on at WSBC later this month are encouraged to email Susan M. at susan.m.oe@gmail.com.
- Began a discussion about whether SNI should buy copies of the **Twelve Concepts of OA Service Pamphlet** for our meetings to be used at least partly for their representatives. We discovered that it was available electronically through Amazon Kindle, Apple Books, and Barnes and Noble Nook. The physical and electronic versions of the pamphlet both cost \$3.25. (The short version of the 12 Concepts of OA Service is available in the document library.)
- We ran out of time before could discuss **Bylaws Motion 2**, so it will be put on the agenda for our May meeting.

Wrap up:

- **The next SNI meeting** is scheduled to be via **Zoom only on May 2**, 10 am – noon CT.
- The meeting was closed at noon with the Third Step Prayer and the responsibility pledge.

Susan M Acting Recording Secretary

April 2026 SNI Vice Chair Report

- I participated in the March 21st **“Young Adults in OA”** workshop. (In OA, Young Adults refers to anyone 18-30 years old now or when they came into OA.) Ideas were shared for how to attract young adult members.
- Our first business item this month is to discuss what I will be voting on at the World Service Business Conference (April 22-25).
 - I participated in the Literature Q&A for WSBC delegates, also on March 21st. If you haven't already done so, you may wish to read the 2 manuscripts that we will be voting on. Editorial changes can be reported. Otherwise, the vote is either

to grant the Conference Seal of Approval or not. I would appreciate any feedback you have. You can find **the manuscripts in the Conference e-Documents list** (6th and 7th in the list) on the WSBC page (<https://oa.org/world-service-business-conference/>).

- The third document in that same list is the **Trustee Nominee Applications** (3rd in the list). If you have opinions (especially reservations) about the nominees, please let me know.
- If you have strong feelings about any of the **proposed motions from the Agenda Questionnaire** (all of which made it to the agenda), please let me know. (If you need to review them, they are also in the Conference e-Documents, 5th and 6th from the bottom of the list.
- The second business item this month is deciding how we can make **the new *Twelve Concepts of OA Service Pamphlet*** available to our voting members.
- The third item is revisiting the **Bylaws motion** that we didn't finish addressing in our March meeting.
- Paul A. is currently looking for people who would be willing to **co-chair the Twelfth Step Within Committee**. Our bylaws require committee chairs to have a minimum of 6 months abstinence. If you are qualified and interested/willing to co-chair, please let us know!

Susan M., Vice Chair