

Approved Minutes
NA by Phone Area Meeting
1:43 pm Eastern, Saturday, May 9, 2020

In the absence of Jimmie D, Camilla L opened the meeting with the We Version of the Serenity Prayer, Pierre AS read the Service Prayer and Tara F read the 2nd Tradition.

Officer Roll Call: Camilla L, Secretary and later, Jimmie D, Chairperson.

GSR Roll Call: Tara F, GSR for Loving Our Long-Timers; Terry R, GSR for Recovery through Aging and Illness; Brian H, GSR for Our Gratitude Speaks and Barry W, GSR for Not High Noon.

Member Roll Call: Sarah S from Not High Noon, Mike H from Our Gratitude Speaks and Pierre AS, The Bridge.

Minutes: Minutes for the Area Meeting held April 11, 2020, were read by Camilla and approved as read. GSR's and all interested parties will receive copies.

Officer Reports

Chairperson: Jimmie D arrived and reported he has nothing new to report at this time.

Secretary: Camilla reported minutes went out on time after being checked by a couple of people due to lack of a recording. Open positions in the area have been listed on the website.

Treasurer Report: In the absence of Suzanne, Camilla reported the Finance Subcommittee did not meet since she and Suzanne were the only two people present. It was postponed until next month. A second donation from Pierre was transferred from the website to the area so they now have a balance of \$38.24.

Webservant: In the absence of Dale and Phil, Camilla reported Dale is still unavailable due to his medical situation but Phil is ready to start on the area website as soon as the area is ready to give him direction.

Group Reports

Recovery Thru Aging and Illness: Terry R reports attendance has evened out at about 10 attendees per week. Lin A has been helping out as her health allows. The meeting continues to meet as scheduled but needs support.

Not High Noon: Barry W, GSR for Not High Noon announces that Not High Noon is joining the area. They meet Monday through Friday from 12:30 until 1:30 with a parking lot afterwards. They are a well-established f2f meeting, members of the Mid Coast Area and Southern Florida Region and have moved to the phone lines due to the pandemic. They read Just for Today and other NA literature and have generally around 15 members in attendance. They are whole-heartedly welcomed.

Our Gratitude Speaks: Brian reports they have about 15 folks per day, seven days a week, 8:30 to 9:40 am Eastern. Their format is all literature studies which varies from day to day. They are doing quite well.

Loving Our Long-Timers: Tara F, GSR, reports the meeting is doing very well. All meetings are recorded and available on the website. Visitors to the website have evened out to about a thousand hits a day.

Life After Drugs II: Camilla reports Jeff T sent her an email explaining he would not be able to attend area this month and asked her to read his report. Their meeting changed start time from 1p to 3P Central, currently has \$0 donations in 7th Tradition, have 5-10 people attending, format is open and varied. They have developed electronic Key Tags for I-Phone, Android and Computer they are willing to share with all the groups and have asked for each group's thoughts and concerns about them (Jeff's email and sample key tags are attached).

Subcommittee Reports

Finance Subcommittee did not meet this month due to lack of attendance. Current balance is \$38.24 representing two donations forwarded from Loving Our Long-Timers to the area. They meet the 3rd Saturday of the month at 1:30pm Eastern on the area phone number: 605.313.5145, 352188#.

Old Business

Website: Questions raised in March: What do the groups want to see on the area's website? How does the area want to handle websites developed by individual groups, incorporate them or link to them from the area's website? Do

they want to include information about entities not part of the area such as the 24/7 Infinity Marathon Group and the Activity Committee?

Brian from OGS stated his group did not discuss and would like to give their input next month. Barry from Not High Noon, since they are brand new to the area, has no input but will discuss with his group and bring input next month. Terry from Recovering Thru Aging and Illness stated he did not understand and would like some more information about what is required. Extensive conversation ensued.

Camilla stated that Loving Our Long-Timers is willing to give the area the phone friendly meeting list (one page), the domain name NAbyPhone.org and several email addresses. These items are paid for through most of next year. When you go to NAbyPhone.com you will either be able to go to the area website, NAbyPhone.org or to Loving Our Long-Timers' new website. The area will need to decide on creating a new home page, whether each group will have the option to have their own page, whether to include the Readings page, the international calling charts, any announcements about events, etc. When asked why anything had to change, it was stated that LOL is no longer willing to carry all the phone lines, that is not NA and LOL has been providing these services to the groups for 8 years and now that we have an area, the area has to take responsibility for itself.

Tara said Camilla had stated the position of Loving Our Long-Timers very clearly.

Open Area Positions: The positions that are open are Vice Chairperson, Policy, Outreach and Special Events Subcommittee Chairs. Pierre volunteers to be Vice Chairperson. Jimmie asks Pierre about his qualifications (clean date 1.15.14 but he has been a member of NA since 1988), has served as GSR, RCM and Treasurer in f2f groups and areas, he is currently Chair for the Saturday night meeting of his home group, The Bridge. He works the steps, has a sponsor and a desire to serve. At Jimmie's request Camilla reads the qualifications from the area policy. Barry asks if the nominations are closed. He would like to discuss with his home group to see if there are any willing volunteers since his group has only just joined the area. After discussion it was decided that if there are no new nominations next month, the groups will have a decision whether or not Pierre should be elected as Vice Chair. If there are new nominations next month, the election will be pushed back to the following month to allow the groups to discuss.

New Business

None

Open Forum

None.

Next meeting will be on Saturday, June 13, at 1:30 pm E, 12:30p C, 11:30a M and 10:30a P on NA by Phone Area number 605.313.5145, 352188#, Playback: 605.313.5153, 352188#. Anyone who wants copies of the minutes can contact Camilla from Chicago at 773-905-8148 to receive copies.

Jimmie D closed the meeting with the Third Step Prayer at 3:10pm Eastern.