

Rhode Island Al-Anon Family Group (RI AFG)
Spring Assembly - May 31, 2014

Area Officers Attendees

Barbara M., Area Chair; Barbara H. AA Liaison; David G, Delegate; Dean H., Webmaster; Deb E., Literature Coordinator; Denise A., Forum Coordinator; Heather - District 1 Rep; Phyllis H., District 2 Rep; Karen M., District 3 Rep; Maryanne N., Office Coordinator

GR's Attendees (Roll Call)

How Al-Anon works (Joy); Serenity on the Hill (Debbie); Step up to the Serenity (Helen); Saturday Night Live, (Pat); New Beginnings (Kathy); Forever Hope (Terrie); Step up to Serenity II (Denise); Change What You Can (Maryann); Step Up To The Summit (Melissa); Hope in Tiverton (Alicia); Jamestown Live & Let Live (Meg); Hope for Today (Sandy); South County Step (Heather); Higher-Powered Lunch Bunch (Karen)

Barbara M., opened the Assembly with a moment of silence followed by the Steps/Traditions/Concepts and the General Warranties. Also, page 336 from Courage to Change was read.

Dean H., asked the Assembly to approve the December 7, 2013 minutes.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the December 7, 2013 meeting were approved as amended.

AREA BUSINESS

The next Assembly will be held on December 6, 2014 and District 2 will host. Phyllis H. will reserve, West Greenwich Community Center.

AREA DELEGATE REPORT

David G., Area Delegate asked the Assembly members to introduce themselves to each other. He thank everyone for all of your supported during his time as Delegate. He reviewed his experience for the past three years as Delegate and reviewed the handouts that he will provide at the end of the meeting. He discussed all the changes that have occurred during his three years of services.

The members were dismissed for lunch at 12:15 pm.

At 1:08 pm the Assembly began with a reading from July 6 from Courage to Change was read to begin the meeting.

THE GREAT AREA OUTREACH PROJECT

Dean H., reviewed with the members a new project that will let each group know who the AWSC are. An Area World Service Committee member will go in pairs to meetings throughout the state with another member/volunteer. He let the members know of the intentions and how to become part of this project. A letter will be sent out to each of the listed GR's requesting that the "pair" would be able to have 2 minutes at the beginning of the meeting.

BREAK OUT SESSIONS REPORT

David G., reported on the Finance Committee, what was discussed. The fund raising letter should be a little shorter. Some groups are struggling themselves.

Phyllis H., reported on the Area Structure Changes discussion, what came up was the Group Representative terms, one year renewable to up to 3 yr term and also if the outgoing GR, shadowing for the new GR. The Area members will make a proposal of the GR's new terms and present to the next Assembly, in December.

Denise, discussed the Service Workshop session and discussed the positions. It was asked that what was brought up during the breakout sessions be typed up and sent out to the GR, so that it can be passed on to the groups.

REPORTS

Denise A., discussed the Forum with the members and what is available thru the Forum. She read the Memo from WSO regarding the Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism.

MaryAnn N., discussed the report that was handed out and how the office has been running. She is planning to have open houses on some of the Saturdays in July 19th, 20th and September 27th, 28th.

Barbara M., asked if there was anyone interested in standing for the Workshop Chair, at this time the Workshop Chair position is still open. No open positions have been filled at this assembly.

Barbara M. opened the meeting up for the GR's question and answer session.

Dean H. updated the GR's on the website and how in real time they will be updated at least once a month. Please send requests for changes on the web page to the loiswebmaster, if you need immediate assistance send the request to Barbara M and she will contact Dean directly.

Upon motions duly made and seconded, the Assembly was adjourned at 3 pm.

Respectful Submitted,

Barbara H.