

RIAFG Area World Service Committee Meeting  
January 6, 2022  
via Zoom

**In Attendance:** Barbara H., Ann H., Jackie W., Wendy, Terry L., Ashley, Phyllis, Julia, Kim, Cindy, and Elaine.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. Minutes of the November 15, 2021 meeting were approved as submitted by all present.

**New Business:**

**Potential Area Volunteers:** As Area Chair, Barbara has the authority to temporarily appoint members to the open area positions until they can be voted in by the GR's at the next assembly. Barbara will send out a list of the current open positions.

**Spring Assembly:** This is scheduled for June 4, 2022. The area will set up the agenda for the assembly as there are currently no district reps. Terry will check with St. Emmanuel's Church in Newport to see if that site is available. Cindy will check with St. Luke's Church in E. Greenwich as a back up plan. The next few area meetings will include assembly planning.

**Area Groups Meeting Electronically:** Groups in RIAFG who decide to remain completely electronic have to register with the WSO and appoint a GR by January 15, 2022 so that they can have a voice and a vote at the new area assembly created for electronic meetings. This assembly will be occurring shortly after the January registration deadline. These groups will remain a part of RIAFG until after the WSC in April. Once the Areas are created for the electronic groups, they will have to resign from RIAFG.

**Will RIAFG accept electronic groups?** A task force has been formed to put together guidelines for this. The GR's will vote on this at the Spring or Fall Assembly. As a note, if RIAFG accepts electronic groups, any electronic group can decide to resign from the WSO area and request to be accepted by RIAFG. The Task Force will consist of Elaine H., Phyllis, Wendy, Julia and Kim. Barbara and Cindy will serve as resources. Barbara will send out an email to request volunteers from our RIAFG meeting members.

**Hybrid meetings:** Any RIAFG who meets both in person and via Zoom will remain as part of RIAFG as long as they have a meeting place and meet via zoom at the same time.

**Meeting List PDF:** After discussion, it was decided that there will not be a separate PDF for a meeting list. Meeting information can be printed from our web page.

**Financial Business:** New signatories on the RIAFG bank accounts:

Wendy H. to be the new signatory on the Al-Anon Family Groups of Rhode Island Literature Account. Anne Marie C. will be removed as a signatory from the Literature Account.

Barbara H. is to be the new signatory on both the Al-Anon Family Groups of Rhode Island Operating Account and Literature Account. Joel B. will be removed as a signatory on both the Operating Account and Literature Account.

Wendy H. and Barbara H. will have the bank issue debit cards to them for both accounts.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM. Next AWSC meeting is February 8, 2022  
Minutes respectfully submitted by Elaine H., Area Office Coordinator