NEW YORK NORTH AREA ASSEMBLY

MAY 19, 2012,

- 1. Call to order: 9:15 am by Chair, Pam A.
- 2. Moment of silence, followed by Serenity Prayer
- 3. Traditions: Pat H. Literature Coordinator
- 4. Concepts and Warranties: Emily K. Web Page coordinator
- 5. Welcome and Information:

Please turn off all cell phones and pagers
Please adhere to the 2 min. rule when at the microphone
Please remember who is able to vote at the Assembly

Group Representatives, their Alternate or Designee (Cannot be a duel member). One vote per group/ one vote per person. Also only a GR can make a motion at Assembly. Motion forms available from secretary.

All new GR's were asked to stand and welcomed by the assembly. All new DR's were asked to stand and welcomed by the assembly.

6. Roll call: Districts present:

1) 11	11) 0	21) 4
2) 9	12) 5	22) 4
3) 5	13) 2	23) 3
4) 0	14) 5	24) 3
5) 1	15) 3	25) 1
6) 5	16) 0	26) 1
7) 1	17) 7	27) 0
8) 0	18) 4	28) 0
9) 0	19) 5	29) 3
10) 3	20) 1	TOTAL 86

- A.I.S. Representatives: Western, Rochester, Syracuse Coordinators: Alateen, Archives, Convention, Group Records, Web, Public Outreach, Literature, Newsletter, NYNAC,
- Officers: Delegate, Alt. Delegate, Immed. Past Delegate, Secretary, Treasurer, Chairperson, Past Delegates 5, Ex. Com. 1, Trustee 1.
- 7. Secetary Report: Minutes from 9/24/11 Fall Election Assembly read
 Marge R. M: to approve with corrections Emily K. D6, 2nd Elaine
 R. Immd. Past Delegate passed voice vote.
- 8. Delegates Report: Ruth attended World Service Conference in April.

 Some Love Gifts from the conference are on a table in the rear. Ask it basket questions about the report, answers will be posted on line.

 The theme of the conference, Our Spiritual Journey, we get as we give. She received the flowers from NYN and they were beautiful," thank you all! ". She was assigned to the Literature Comm.

 Full report on line.

22) 4 23) 3 24) 3

25) 2 26) 1

27) 0 28) 0

29) 3 TOTAL: 83

SHORT BREAK, Please return by 11am.

9. Call to order: Roll Call: Districts

1) 12	11) 0
2) 8	12) 5
3) 5	13) 1
4) 0	14) 4
5) 1	15) 3
6) 4	17) 6
7) 1	18) 4
8) 0	19) 5
9) 0	20) 1
10) 3	21) 4

Reports:

- 10. Chairperson, Pam A. reminded all that the reports should be posted by the Wednesday before the Assembly/convention and should be read prior to the Assembly/Convention. Welcome! Panel 52 and congratulations everyone! This is the first assembly in 9 years without Action Committees! Report on Line.

 Immd. Past Delegate: Elaine reported to assembly that she had attended the NERD meeting in Connecticut. The new GR meeting was held this morning, she handed out material/packets to 25 GR's. Elaine received an e-mail from Joan S. informing us that Albany did not get the bid for the next International Convention. Repot on line.
- 11. <u>Group Records:</u> George is using WSO data-base print out, George note some Forum's are being returned, it is essential to have a CMA (current mailing address). WSO only sends its newsletter electronically. Report on line.

LUNCH BREAK: Please return by 1:30pm

12. Call to order 1:35pm by Chairperson Pam A

Continue reports:

- 13. Web Page: Emily K. Report on line.
- 14. <u>Alt. Delegate:</u> Diane C. encourages all GRs to promote the Forum. subscriptions are down. As members of Al-anon we should consider writing an article for the Forum, writing guidelines are available. We have 3 new groups in NYN. Report on line
- 15. <u>Newsletter:</u> Connie D. gave report for Gwenne R. She is still fine tuning the Newsletter. She would like to see more from DRs on

- "District Doings". How do you like the new format? Please remember to submit an email that protects your anonymity Report on line.
- 16. <u>Alateen</u>: Lynda S. reports getting the word out about Alateen on the Web. Communication essential. Report on line.
- 17. <u>Archives:</u> Kathy M. reports she received info to be placed in the Archives. All material is stored at Syracuse A.I.S. Report on line.
- 18. <u>Convention</u>: Maureen K. reports all in place for the Fall Assembly, September 28-30, Comfort Inn, Syracuse, hope to see you! Spring 2013, will be held in Lake Placid, at the Crowne Plaza Resort, On May 10-12. A committee to revise the guidelines for hosting A convention is being formed.
- 19. <u>NYNAC:</u> Lynda C. Alateen Convention will be held at its new Location, Vander Camp, in Cleveland, NY. Oct. 5-7, 2012, Theme, "Together We Can Make It", report on line.
- 20. <u>Public Outreach</u>: Summer suggested we send thank you notes to Radio stations that play the Al-anon messages. There are sample Letters on the Web. Report on line.
- 21. <u>Literature:</u> Pat H. New info available for the parent's of Alcoholics, a new page in How Alanon Works. Report on line.
- 22. A.I.S. Syracuse: Report on line
- 23. A.I.S. Rochester: Report on line.
- 24. <u>A.I.S. Western</u>: The communication between the A.I.S.Reps is on Going!!! Report on line.

TEN MINUTE BREAK

CALL TO ORDER ROLL CALL:

Districts:	15) 3
1) 10	17) 6
2) 8	18) 4
3) 5	19) 5
4) 0	20) 1
5) 1	21) 4
6) 1	22) 4
7) 1	23) 3
8) 0	24) 3
9) 0	25) 1
10) 2	26) 1
11) 0	27) 0
12) 5	28) 0
13) 1	29) 3
14) 5	TOTAL: 80

Agenda Items: 1. Motion to place Gwenne R. as Newsletter Coordinator
Pat H. as Literature Coordinator
Summer D. as Public Outreach Coord.
M. Bob C. Dist. 7, 2nd Stephanie Dist. 22PASSED – VOICE VOTE

2. Motion to update the expense Guidelines, Area Policy, And budget to include: "In an election year NYN will Pay the expense of the incoming NYNAC and Alateen Coordinators to attend NYNAC.

M. Diane M. Dist. 19, 2nd. Denise Dist. 1.

PASSED – VOICE VOTE

- 3 .Motion: District 15 & 18 hosts of the Fall 2013
 Assembly, and District 1, as the host of Spring 2014
 Convention
 - M. Kathy Dist. 17, 2nd Maureen Dist. 19 PASSED – VOICE VOTE
- Motion to approve/confirm NYNAC Host 2012, Alateen Group, There's Always Tomorrow, Camillus.
 M. Diane C. Alt.Deleg, 2nd Ruth S. Delegate PASSED VOICE VOTE
- 5. Motion to approve the submission of Anne F.s' name
 As North East Regional Trustee.
 M. Bob C. Dist. 7, 2nd Shirley Dist. 1

PASSED UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

<u>Presentation Workshop:</u> Connie D. presented a workshop utilizing concept 4 and tradition 7 called a Gallery Walk. All present were encouraged to participate in the answering of 21 questions placed on large sheets of paper around the room. Results will be posted on Web.

25. <u>Treasurers Report:</u> January through April Incoming \$3489.84

Expenses \$4295.40

Balance in Checking \$7968.24

Balance in Reserve \$6687.00

Mutual Fund (approx) \$2418.00

ROLL CALL:

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TOTAL: 79

Districts.		
1) 10	2) 8	3) 4
4) 0	5) 1	6) 4
7) 1	8) 0	9) 0
10) 2	11) 0	12) 5
13) 2	14) 4	15) 3
17) 5	18) 4	19) 6
20) 1	21) 4	22) 4
23) 3	24) 3	25) 1
26) 1	27) 0	28) 0
29) 3		

Motion to accept report as read: Shirley Dist 1, 2nd Willa Dist. 6

PASSED VOICE VOTE

OPPOSED 2

ABSTAINED 4

Comment: Treasurer's report needs to be reviewed for next meeting.

26. Ask It Basket

- Q. Does WSO have any paid employees?
- A. Yes, 49 and they do receive benefits.
- Q. Why is Delegate Report so lengthy?
- A. Delegates meet for 5 days/12 hours per day. Hard to condense.

The outline was on the web. prior to the meeting.

The summary will be available for DRs, officers and coordinators At the next AWSC meeting. It is also available on the members' Site at www.al-anon.alateen.org/members.

Q. How much is allowed for mileage?

A. Each group needs to accept financial responsibility, refer To page 53 of Service Manual.

Any unanswered questions will be addressed and answered on Web.

AGENDA Item: (con't)

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1) 9	11) 0	21) 4
2) 6	12) 4	22) 4
3) 4	13) 1	23) 3
4) 0	14) 3	24) 3
5) 1	15) 3	25) 1
6) 4	17) 1	26) 1
7) 1	18) 4	27) 0
8) 0	19) 4	28) 0
9) 0	20) 1	29) 3
10) 2		TOTAL 67

6. Motion: (original motion 3/24/12) to recommend to assembly to go to electronic delivery of Newsletter (Northern Highlights), with an opt in for hard copies. If you opt in you pay for the actual cost, To be determined to print and mail newsletter. Start date October 2012. Summer Public Outreach, 2nd Shirley T. Dist. 22.

Presentation by Pam A. containing info. All on the web.

Discussion: Q. Is full name used on Newsletter?

A. Yes.

Q. Can you use your work e-mail?

A. No. You should set your own e-mail not using your Name, but you must submit an e-mail address that Protects your security.

Comment: Your own e-mails can be tampered with – people Who put their name on Northern Highlights are

Aware of that.

Comment: WSO now uses only electronic delivery of all info.

Comment: It bothers me that it is possible for someone other Than Al-non has access to info.

Comment: There are those who have difficulty reading materials

On the computer, and it may become too expensive

For hard copy.

Comment: I contacted several other newsletters who use e-mail

To deliver, they feel we are providing a service tool.

Are we too slow in changing? I urge you to be forward

In your thinking!!!

Comment: Each GR will receive the newsletter via e-mail and will Hopefully print it and then "share" with their group.

Every member who has access to e-mail can receive The Newsletter. We will be able to reach more Members in this way.

Comment: There is no charge for e-mail.

Comment: If expense is a problem, maybe members of a group Could print an extra copy, it could be a service tool.

Comment: We need to keep in mind Warranty 5, and "always Remain democratic in thought and action."

AN ACCURATE VOTE COUNT COULD NOT BE ATTAINED AT THIS TIME. CHAIRPERSON TOOK THE LIBERTY TO TABLE THIS MOTION FOR MORE INFO.

Motion: to close this meeting, M. Kathy D. Dist. 21 2nd Diane Dist.19

MEETING CLOSED AT 6:02PM

NOTE FROM SECRETARY: AT THE FIRST ROLL CALL THIS MORNING THERE WERE 86 VOTING MEMBERS, AT THE FINAL ROLL CALL 67!!!