

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS AL-ANON FAMILY GROUPS, INC  
SIAWSC MEETING  
MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER  
SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS  
3 MARCH 2012

Meeting called to order at 1:10 with welcome to those present who gave their names and position.  
Steps, Traditions and Concepts with Warranties read.  
Minutes of November meeting were accepted as corrected.

Treasurer's Report—Rowena A Aug 2011 thru Dec 2012. Beginning Balance \$2323.59. Total Receipts \$3942.93. Total Cash on hand \$6266.52. Total Disbursements \$2830.26. Total Cash on hand \$3436.26. [Private donations that were requested be used as Reserve Fund \$1200.00]. Available ending balance \$2236.26. \* Jan 2011 thru Dec 2011. Beginning balance \$2590.71, total receipts \$6407.61, total cash available \$8998.32, Total disbursements \$6674.58, total cash on hand \$2323.59. Less reserve fund \$1200. Available ending balance \$1123.74.\* corrected.

SIAFG Group Records—Mary S. SIAFG adopted the policy that all group record changes will go thru the Southern Illinois Area and not WSO. The Group Records Secretary has access to WSO records and can change meeting, GR and CMA information. He/she can also register new meetings and mark meetings as inactive. To facilitate this process use e-mail address [--siafggrprec@gmail.com](mailto:--siafggrprec@gmail.com)-- This address goes to any one filling this position. Please ignore directions to send info to WSO. Registration forms available on web site, [www.al-anon.alateen.org](http://www.al-anon.alateen.org). First page is form, second page is envelope.

#### COORDINATOR REPORTS

Convention Liaison- Jan T 2012 *IL State AFG Convention* will be held in Normal at the Marriott Hotel & Conference Center September 28-30, 2012. Theme of the convention is: Bloom in Normal. The next planning meeting is being held March 3, 2012 at the Memorial Medical Center in Springfield at 3:30pm. Fliers are being passed to District Representatives, will be in next News-O-Gram and are available at this meeting. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, contact the convention chairperson Kathy Hoyland on 309-828-9682; email [katwoos@frontier.com](mailto:katwoos@frontier.com); or US mail 505 Kreitzer, Bloomington, IL 61701.

*2011 IL State AFG Convention Resource Committee (CRC)* meeting was held December 3<sup>rd</sup> at Marriott Hotel & Conference Center in Normal beginning at 9:00am. There was much discussion about remembering that this is a **STATE Convention** and that no matter which area hosts, we all need to work together to make it a success. CRC members discussed division of proceeds (need to begin building reserve and need to supply more seed money) took appropriate action to do so. (Actions included: disbursing \$266.09 to NIAFG, SIAFG, and WSO, \$39.76 to NIAA, SIAA, and AA-Chicago Area; \$326.00 to toward reserve fund; \$2,000.00 being held for future seed use.)

*2012 IL State AFG Convention Resource Committee (CRC)* meeting will be held December 1<sup>st</sup> 2012 from 9a-3p in Bloomington/Normal area or possibly via conference call. SIAFG will be hosting this meeting, Cathy B. will be the chairperson and Marty H. will be the recording secretary.

*Al-Anon International Convention* will be held in Vancouver, BC July 5-7, 2013. Registration and housing information will be available in the fall of 2012.

*2012 IL State AA Conference* is being held August 24-26, 2012 in Springfield at The Hilton Springfield. Fliers were available at meetings and will be included in upcoming News-O-Gram.

*AA International Convention* will be held in Atlanta, GA in 2015.

If anyone is interested in becoming SIAFG's next Convention Liaison please let Alberta or me know. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about the position.

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News-O-Gram—Rita C Next deadline 20 April due assembly date change.

Ways & Means—Kathy H Totes are available this weekend, any not sold will be bought by NIAFG to sell, with some of the

money to return to SIAFG. There was discussion on next fund raiser with some item suggestions and perhaps ordering a smaller number of items, thereby insuring not so many left overs.

Public Outreach—Cindy P says to speak to groups about sending “Thank You’s” to TV and or radio stations that they see using PSA’s (Public Service Announcements).

Literature/Forum—JoEllyn P She has gotten the literature from Cathy B and is familiarizing herself with it. She said the Guidelines notebook was especially exciting and informative as she didn’t know they were available.

Archives— Fern T Received from WSO pages written from the area that were in 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gratitude Book. There was discussion on where they should go. Recommendation to assembly that Rita C should use them in News-O-Gram, and then send them to Archives, passed.

By-Laws—Cathy S Temporary Revisions of the Bylaws are nearly all made and she will be getting up-dated version ready to distribute.

Webmaster—Position vacant for now.

Alateen—Lyri for Dottie Carbondale Alateen group has problem with person who is not certified wanting to attend closed portion of the Alateen meeting. Perhaps a “big AA “could stand by the door to discourage the person. Lyri M as CPC explained processing application changes. Recertification due by 10 June 2012.

Delegates Report—Cathy B she will be attending North Central Regional Delegates Meeting on March 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> in Minneapolis ,MN and the 2012 World Service Conference on April 15<sup>th</sup> thru 19<sup>th</sup>. This year’s theme—“Our Spiritual Journey – we Get as We Give”. She’ll leave home on the 11<sup>th</sup> and returning the 20<sup>th</sup> of April. Love tokens, cards & letterset can be sent can be sent 11<sup>th</sup> thru 16<sup>th</sup> April.

Return address	Send to
Cathy Blakey	Cathy Blakey for the 14 <sup>th</sup>
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All officers, coordinators, and DRs are encouraged to log into e-communities for valuable information to share with the fellowship. Discussion boards are also a great place to meet fellow officers, coordinators & DRs around the country to ask questions, read about solutions and benchmark improvements. Try new things! Get creative! Reach outside your comfort zone, grow to new heights. Have fun along the way!! Update of possible combination NIAFG/SIAFG websites. I spoke to NIAFG delegate, Gene W who said they had a new webmaster, as of Jan 1<sup>st</sup>. Our new webmaster, Jackie has resigned. Our goal was to put these people together to discuss details, expectations. In order for NIAFG to consider, it must be presented to steering committee that meets in June, then the NIAFG AWSC which meets in July and on to NIAFG AWSC in September for vote.

Other Business—November Workshop will be Area Inventory.

#### District Reports

District 10A – Meeting was held 5 Feb 2012. 2012 Budget presented, balanced, & approved. Peggy M, Answering Service Coordinator reported there will be a yard sale in June to fund the answering service. Jane P, Public Outreach Coordinator reports there are 4 groups have decided to have open meeting when there is a 5<sup>th</sup> meeting in a month, information about AI-Anon and the Open Meeting will be taken to St, Francis, Bradley, Proctor, and ICC Schools of Nursing. Shipment of “AI-Anon Faces Alcoholism” due in in April and will be used by Public Outreach throughout the District. Peoria AA Intergroup requested information on Spanish Speaking A-Anon meeting and Spanish literature. Peoria has no Spanish speaking meetings. ARE THERE ANY SUCH MEETINGS IN Southern Illinois?

District 10B—Serenity Day was held Feb 25, 2012. After expenses monies will be distributed to District 10B Public Outreach, Area, WSO, Area, & 2012 Illinois AFG Convention- Literature & printing of flyers and programs. 10Bs Public Outreach is phone service and literature.

District 14 ROCKS!!

District 18 REALLY ROCKS!!!! !

Respectfully submitted,  
Marty H, Recording Secretary

MINUTES WILL NOT BE READ AT MEETING!