

Southern Illinois Area World Service Committee (SIAWSC)

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Zoom Meeting

January 14, 2023

(Unanimously Approved on 5/20/23)

The meeting was opened at 9:00 a.m. by Chairperson, Becky R, with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. The purpose was to review what went well or not at the Area Assembly and to set the agenda for the next Area Assembly meeting. Rules and Guidelines for the meeting were presented to the 20 attendees with 15 voting members. It was explained that all Al-Anon members have voice; only Area officers, District Reps, Area Coordinators, Registered Agent and Past Delegates have the vote. The 12 Traditions and the 12 Concepts of Service and Warranties were read.

Attendees: Becky R., Jane F., Christy E., JoEllyn P., Rowena A., Carol H., Cindy P., Carol W., Mary P., Suzanne D., Kelly T., Susan B., Charlene V., Jane G., Jan T., Tim E., Donna S., Mary S., Walt E., Brenda F.

OFFICERS REPORTS

Recording Secretary:

Christy E. presented the minutes from the September 17, 2022 SIAWSC meeting. Jan T. corrected Item #4 in New Business to state “**Appointments of Coordinator Positions**” instead of “~~Election for Coordinator Positions~~”. A motion was made to approve the minutes as corrected and seconded. The vote was unanimous in accepting the corrected minutes.

Treasurer:

JoEllyn P. asked that the District Representatives inform Group Representatives of the change in Treasurer and mailing information to inform where to send donations to SIAFG. Her address is: JoEllyn Patterson,, 6421 Ash Drive, Moro, IL 62067

Group Records Secretary:

Jane F. will continue to update and send out all new e-mail addresses and will also coordinate them with the webmaster.

There was a request from a couple of members for assistance with the new SIAFG Area email addresses. Becky R. informed that our new Webmaster Coordinator, Edward F., will assist and help with questions. She also reviewed that the new SIAFG Area email is for use for SIAFG Area business to maintain history of communications for future service representatives and encouraged all to transition to using the email.

Delegate:

Our new delegate, Carol W., is aware of a conference in April.

OLD BUSINESS

What went well/not so well at the Area Assembly”

Becky R. shared she was feeling confident after 3 years of being chairperson for the Area.

Alateen Update

Becky R. shared that a committee has been created for Alateen that has met four times since November and they continue to make strides and there has been great effort. The tasks are many and complex. Becky R., has checked on sources for on-line training and has found an on-line trainer who is willing to volunteer.

Their next meeting is after the SIAFG Area Assembly meeting in March.

Becky R. also mentioned that there is still a need for a coordinator. JoEllyn P. asked if we can get recertified without a coordinator. Becky R. said it will be easier and after focusing on the current work of the committee, they will address that. Mary S. mentioned that if there is no coordinator, the delegate assumes the responsibility. Becky R. also said an attorney has been found for necessary reviews.

SIAWSC Contact Form Update

Changes to contact form include:

Delegate name

Webmaster name

Change Cindy P.’s number to 618-558-8314

Change Tim E.’s number to 217-851-2970

Change JoEllyn Patterson’s past delegate information to say (Panel 60, 2020-2022)

NEW BUSINESS

Draft Agenda for SIAFG for March Area Assembly Meeting (at end of this minutes document)

Old Business revision:

- Delete “Delegate” from NEEDED line of Election of Officers bullet point

New Business revision:

- Add to Coordinator Reports section: “NEEDED” to By-Laws.

- Add: “New Service Manual Update”

SIAFG Officers and Coordinators (and Past Delegates, District Representatives, Group Representatives, and Members)

- Cindy P., By-Laws Coordinator, has questions on the wording in the By-Laws on about three or four pages where it refers to email or mail. Becky R. asked her to do a “red line” with her recommendations to be sent out and then presented at next SIAWSC meeting in May and then be presented to vote on at the SIAFG Area Assembly meeting in July.
- Carol H., News-O-Gram Coordinator, is looking for articles from members for the News-O-Gram. For the time being, send them to her personal email: carol53115@yahoo.com.
- Rowena A., Registered Agent, has audio tapes and cd’s of past events and is looking for input to transfer them to a thumb drive.
- Jan T., Past Delegate, said that there was once a SIAFG Area information packet for new group representatives and district representatives. Rowena A. confirmed that she had mailed them out when she was Group Records Secretary. Susan B. has a copy of that packet. Mary S. said she had thought it was a tri-fold. Jane F. asked if this packet could go out electronically and Susan B. mentioned it would be best to go through the Group Records Secretary. Becky R. asked Rowena A. and/or Susan B. to send the information to her and she would update. She suggested that we create a folder on our website and also for Jane F. to mail to members.
- Tim E., Past Delegate, asked if anyone is going to the Regional Delegate meeting and JoEllyn P. said she was and Carol W. will get information on it. Tim E. said he hasn’t seen any information yet. He also mentioned a “Speaker Meeting” scheduled for January 31st.
- Tim E. also mentioned he is speaking on zoom on Tuesday, 1/17/23, at the Keep it Simple Speaker AFG Meeting.
- Brenda F., Group Representative – District 15, said Quincy is looking for a volunteer speaker.

Deadline for Carol H - Spring 2023 SIAFG News-O-Gram

- February 1

Deadline for materials to Jane F. – SIAFG Area Assembly Meeting Preparation Materials

- February 4
 - Jan T. asked when can expect materials for SIAFG Area Assembly meeting and Becky R. said the aim is for 30 days before so in this case by February 11.

Wrap Up

SIAFG Area Assembly Meetings for 2023:

March 11 – Zoom

July 15 – Hybrid meeting format:

SIU College of Medicine Building

Conference Room D229

(Reminder: If you attend in person, you must wear a mask while walking through the hospital. You can remove your mask once you get to the conference room D229)

November 4 – Zoom

2023 SIAWSC Meetings for 2023:

January 14, 2023

May 20, 2023

September 16, 2023

(All SIAWSC Meetings hold over Zoom)

A motion was made and seconded to close the meeting at 10:12 a.m.

The unanimous vote agreed.

Your trusted servant,

Christy E.

Recording Secretary

DRAFT AGENDA

March 11, 2023

**Southern Illinois Al-Anon Family Groups, Inc.
Area Assembly Mtg Agenda**

Zoom Meeting: From a mobile device or an internet enabled computer click on this link:

OR... From Zoom website "Join a Meeting": Meeting ID:

Passcode:

If you cannot join via computer or mobile device, you can join via phone: 1 US

8:30 am Sign on and Get "Settled"

9:00 am Meeting Starts (Meeting typically lasts until 2-3 pm)

Opening - Moment of Silence & Serenity Prayer (please remain muted and say it privately)

Welcome/Intro

- Establish if there are newcomers and establish a person as resource to newcomers.
- Al-Anon Birthdays (who wish to be recognized) since last meeting in November 2022
- Need a volunteer to be our ALL-CHAT monitor for today's meeting
- Need a volunteer to be our timekeeper for today's meeting (10 min for discussions)
- Explain ask-it-chat, Brief description of meeting & voting procedures, establish protocols for break time & lunch time
- Please be sure to put your name in the available identifier on screen

Courtesy Rules:

- READ ALL materials PRIOR to March 11 so you are prepared to participate
 - March 11, 2023, Area Assembly Agenda and Attachments
 - Minutes of November 2022 SIAFG Assembly
 - Treasurer's Materials
 - Winter 2023 News O Gram
- Stay muted when not speaking.
- Request to be called upon in the chat function of zoom if possible or raise your hand. Then you will be recognized by the chairperson to speak – stay on topic, speak for only 2-3 minutes if possible.
- Anyone presenting, while you are speaking if you can please have your video on and your face as clearly as you can in the camera.
- All Al-Anon members have voice;
only Group Reps (GRs) or Alternate GRs (when GR is not present) have vote
- The recording secretary may ask for a written/email copy from your discussion presented today to be used to help summarize, for clearer and concise statements to be included in the minutes.
You can email these reports to Christy E.: recordingsec@siafg.org
- When making a motion or a second please say your name, district and then the motion or second. This will help our recording secretary minutes.

Read – 12 Steps, 12 Traditions, 12 Concepts of service with Warranties

Recording Secretary Report – Christy E.

- Minutes
 - Read Board of Director's Meeting minutes Rowena A. (no vote required)
 - Area Assembly (November 2022) Will not be read as they will be emailed out ahead of time and available attached to the SIAFG Agenda. Vote Required. (Attachment TBD)

Treasurer's Report – JoEllyn P.

- Treasurer's Report (Attachment TBD)

Group Records Secretary Report – Jane F.

Old Business –

- Election of SIAFG Officers
NEEDED: Delegate, Alternate Delegate (Attachment TBD, Vote Required)
- Alateen Update – Alateen Paperwork Committee Report (Attachment TBD)
- Updated Web and Email Contact Page (Attachment TBD)

New Business –

- Coordinator Positions – Open Coordinator Positions. Please help us find volunteers!!

District Reports & Group Concerns/Successes –

- Present District by District for reports and show the map of that district on the screen
Chairperson will call on districts by numbers shown on the screen over Zoom.
NOTE this is not in numeric order so don't be concerned if it seems they are out of order.
The chairperson will get to every district. DR to present first followed immediately by GRs

Coordinator Reports -

• Alateen Coordinator & AAPP (NEEDED)	• Public Outreach (NEEDED)
• Archives (NEEDED)	• By-Laws
• Convention – Debbie M.	• Ways & Means (NEEDED)
• Forum/Literature (NEEDED)	• Webmaster (NEEDED)
• News-O-Gram – Carol H.	

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Adjournment / Close with Al-Anon Declaration

(Please remain muted and say it in your private space)

“Let It Begin with Me. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help - let the hand of Al-Anon and Alateen always be there, and Let It Begin with Me.”