

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS AL-ANON FAMILY GROUPS, INC
SIAWSC MEETING
MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER
SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS
March 22, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 1:00pm with the Serenity Prayer
25 members present, 23 eligible to vote
Explanation of sign-in sheet; ask-it basket for questions; facilities amenities was given
Call for newcomers and introductions were made
Jackie designated time-keeper
Policy Guidelines / Courtesy Rules reviewed
The 12-Steps, 12-Traditions, 12-Concepts w/Warranties, and the Courtesy Guidelines were read.

Minutes, policy guidelines versus bylaw definitions, and what should be contained in the minutes was discussed. Approved condensed version, and proofing before submitting is not required.

Motion was made by Cathy B. to postpone vote on the November 2, 2013 SIAWSC meeting minutes until corrected. Vote to be held at the July 2014 SIAWSC meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurers Report Helen B. reported the period October through December 2013. Beginning balance was \$3,917.54; total receipts \$2,487.84, plus a one- time adjustment of \$10.00, making total cash available \$2,497.84. Total disbursements were \$1,922.96, making total cash on hand \$4,492.42. Savings/Reserve Fund Beginning Balance \$1,769.48; Receipts \$505.19; Ending Balance \$2,274.67. Thanks to all the groups for supporting Southern Area, and we are still accepting donations for Reserve Fund. The Treasurer's Report was approved as presented.

Group Records Report Mary S. Every group MUST have a CMA. Southern Area made it a policy that all changes are to go through Group Records. GR-1 Registration/change form, is available at <http://www.al-anon.alateen.org/members>. Just fill out the form and send it to the Group Records Secretary. The e-mail address is siafggprec@gmail.com.

Delegates Report: Lyri confirmed contact information on World Services Committee List. Will have presentation on Sunday for motions. Extended offer to meet with each group.

District Reports

District 11 District will be hosting State Convention October 17-19, 2014. Convention will be held in Bloomington.

District 16 Tim reports district will be hosting an AA conference this year.

District 20 Ron reports they have held elections and elected a new fellowship director. They have applied and received new EIN numbers.

District 14 Cheryl reporting for Don, announces a workshop for April in Belleville on Sponsorship.

District 18 Judy reports new DR and new Alateen Coordinator.

Coordinator Reports

Ways and Means Kathy moderated a discussion on offering a choice for a raffle prize rather than grab-bag. Two choices were offered for the 2014 fundraiser, a dual highlighter, \$188 for 200, or clip, \$322.50 for 250. Both have a \$50 setup charge and will incorporate a slogan. Will present to Area Assembly the option for highlighter with web site and either "Live and Let Live" or "How Important Is It?"

Alateen Becky, presented on the discussion in our knowledgebase about changing the age for Alateen AMIAS from 23 but not change the years of membership. The workshops from WSO are available as webinars. Asked about record retention and possibly destroying everything after three years.

Bylaws Cathy offered a vote for a temporary change to the bylaws to correct the Southern Illinois World Service Committee from SIWSC to SIAWSC by adding an "A".

Please submit reports to Nicole, our Webmaster, webmaster@siafg.org, and Marge E. our News-O-Gram Editor, marge.evans@me.com.

Other Business

Jackie L. resigned as Alternate Delegate. Cathy B. announced to discuss within your districts, and groups, for possible candidates. Will bring up for vote at the July 2014 SIAWSC and Area Assembly meetings.

Meeting format for July 12th, Saturday, 9:00 am (single day trial)

- District Concerns
- Coordinator Reports
- Minutes
- Workshops
- Delegate Report
- Treasurer's Report

The meeting closed with the AI-Anon Declaration at 3:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ramona B
Acting Secretary (for MaryBeth S.)