

ALISON BOARD MEETING JUNE 6, 2017

The meeting began at 7:35 with the Serenity Prayer. Cynthia read Concept 6 and Roberta read Tradition 2. Minutes of the May 2nd board meeting were read silently and one correction was made.

CHAIRPERSON - (Gerry L.) Gerry reported on his trip to Stepping Stones for the AA/Alanon picnic. He also attended the AA Unity breakfast. He sold four books there and has \$50 for the General fund. Gerry and Vice Chairperson Ellen went to the bank to straighten out the signature issues created by the Treasurer's departure, and they can now sign checks.

VICE CHAIRPERSON - (Ellin) Ellin also mentioned that Gerry L. and Ellen can now sign checks. When the Treasurer position is filled, the Treasurer will be the main check signer. In the absence of a Treasurer, Ellin paid the Verizon bill and rent to the Church for the 3rd quarter. As of today, there is a bank balance of \$2,424.80, which includes \$275 of group donations and the Share a Day donation. Regarding the fall workshop, it will be held on October 15, 2017. It will be held at Cure of Ars Church in Merrick. A contract has been signed with the Church. The fee for the Church is \$975. The staff will set up and break down, and there is ample parking. District 7 is working with Ellin to publicize the event and a "Save the Date" flyer is being developed. Ellin hopes the flyer will be ready for the Assembly meeting taking place on June 11th. Tickets will be printed. Admission prices were discussed, and advance purchases may be discounted. Ellin mentioned that the workshop format is currently under discussion in terms of how Al-anon and AA will function together during the workshop.

SECRETARY - (Valerie) Valerie mentioned that computer problems have made it difficult to update the confidential board list, but she hopes to have it done for our next meeting. She is also waiting for vacant board positions to be filled, hopefully by our next meeting.

TREASURER - The board does not currently have a Treasurer. Ellin hopes that a Treasurer will be voted in at the July 11th quarterly meeting, since an individual has come forward to volunteer for this position.

ALATEEN CO-COORDINATORS - (Shirin and Roberta) Shirin reported that there were not enough teens to justify a bus rental for the Discovery trip. The money collected for this purpose might need to be returned. It cannot be used for the fall workshop. Roberta went to AMIAS training, where she brainstormed ideas about how to bolster Alateen attendance, which has dropped. New AMIAS training will be held on June 17, 2017 at St. Peter's Church at 54th St. and Lexington Ave. in Manhattan from 1-4pm. Recertification will take place from 10-12:30 on the same day, same location. Ellin asked about promoting the concept of service during the workshop. Gerry asked everyone to come to the next meeting with a suggestion about how to do this.

OUTREACH - (Susan) Susan reported that the rehab list is complete. All Nassau and Suffolk rehabs have been downloaded. She is working with Suffolk Alanon outreach. She would like to develop written materials about Alanon for rehab participants, since several have responded positively to our literature. Susan has been invited to Suny Farmingdale's full day health fair in November. She is trying to communicate with all local colleges on a monthly basis.

LIAISON TO AA - (Cynthia) There was a lot of interest in Alanon at AA's Unity breakfast. She gave out lots of literature. Cynthia mentioned that she needed to be reimbursed \$297 for her book purchase. Ellin gave her a check for this amount. Susan (Outreach) has the unsold books that were originally purchased for Share a Day. At the next AA Intergroup meeting Cynthia will ask for an AA liaison to the Alanon board. Ellin asked if anyone else needed to be reimbursed for anything. Shirin stated that she was awaiting reimbursement for \$118, and Ellin wrote her a check.

LIAISON TO ASSEMBLY - Lilly has volunteered for this position, but she couldn't attend tonight's meeting. She will attend the Assembly meeting on Sunday.

TELEPHONE COORDINATOR - (Jeff) Jeff said a few minor issues had arisen, but everything has been resolved.

MEETING LIST COORDINATOR - (Jane) Jane stated that she needed \$176 for the meeting list printing, and Ellin gave her a check. She can't attend the July 11 meeting, but Cynthia will help with everything. Jane will return the money donated for the Discovery bus to her meeting, since there will not be a bus rental.

P.O. BOX COORDINATOR - (Lise) Lise reported that there were 21 pieces of mail, and she gave them to Ellin.

SPEAKERS EXCHANGE COORDINATOR - (Betty) Betty reported that eight people attended the May 9 Speakers Exchange meeting, which was about half of normal attendance. She does not know if people got the e-mail reminder. She will send out a postal service paper mailing to announce the next meeting on November 28. Betty got a request for a virtual speakers exchange meeting. It sounds interesting and she will explore this further.

WEBPAGE COORDINATOR - (Peleg) Reported by Gerry L. Peleg renewed the Godaddy domain name. He would like minutes from the Secretary for the website. He cleaned out the inboxes for the Chair and the Secretary.

VISITOR - (Diane F.) Diane is the co-coordinator for Discovery, taking place on July 14-16, 2017. As of today, 123 people have registered, but we need 160 attendees to fulfill our contract. She asked all board members to distribute Discovery materials at our meetings. The balance is due on July 1. Discovery is being held at the Renaissance Hotel in Westchester.

The meeting closed at 9:18 with the Alanon declaration.