

Sean calls the virtual meeting to order at 6:47 pm. Andy P. reads and reviews the 12th Concept. Jeff S. reads and reviews the 12th Tradition. Reps are called on to introduce themselves.

There were:

- 24 Virtual Attendees at peak
- 22 Voting members
- 5 Board members

A quorum is established.

Minutes

Sean notifies Intergroup that we will vote on November minutes during New Business.

Committee Reports

#1: Sunny W. goes over the Finance Report (attached). Sunny announces that she will be resigning at Metro Intergroup Treasurer as of December 31, 2020.

#2: Erin B. gives the Retreat Committee Chair Report (attached)

#3: Jodie H. gives the Outreach Committee Chair Report (attached)

#4: Jeri S. gives the 12th Step Within Committee Chair Report (attached)

#5: Heather M. reads the Publication Committee Chair Report (attached).

#6: Heather M. reads the Welcome Committee Chair Report (attached)

#7: Erin reports for the Inventory Committee. The Metro Intergroup Inventory will be held 1/21/21 6:45 PM

Pending Business

#1: Sean announces that Intergroup is in need of a web chair. Cass, the current chair needs to step down from the position.

#2: 7th Tradition is collected.

#3: Sunny announces that that Intergroup is in need of a Treasure.

New Business

#1: **Jeff S. makes a motion to accept the November amend minutes. Jeff S. seconds the motion, November amended minutes are accepted.**

#2: **Sunny W. proposes a finance policy regarding Covid-19 contributions ending 12/31/2020. Jeff S. seconds the motion. In discussion Erin Motions to amend the policy to end at the end of the fiscal year 6/30/2021. Jeff S. seconds the motion. Sean calls for a vote to accept the amendment 16 in favor, the amendment passes.** Pros and cons are heard for the amended finance policy regarding Covid-19 contributions ending 6/30/2021. **Jeff S. call to vote on the amended motion. 16 in favor, The amendment policy regarding Covid-19 contributions ending 6/30/2021 passes with 16 votes in favor.** (Policy attached).

#3: During the October meeting Diana G. had brought up the possibility of renting out the Metro IG Zoom account for meetings. The board has discussed, in order for this to happen there would need to be a committee created to manage the logistics. Sean asks if there is any feedback and/or interest. There was not enough support currently to move forward.

#4: Heather M. shares the highlighted oa.org document "A Sponsor's Toolbox."

#5: Erin B. agrees to share a highlighted oa.org document at the January meeting

#6: Rebecca B. agrees to read and review 1st Tradition at meeting.

#7: Alyssa M. agrees to read and review 1st Concept at the January meeting.

#8: Rhonda and Liz D. agree to be our GoogleVoice volunteers for January .

#9: Jeff S asked how we are addressing the in person meetings that are happening during the time of Covid-19. Sean advises the following note has been added to the Zoom meeting list: A note will added to the meeting list:

'The following meetings are in-person. Please be aware of the current COVID-related restrictions on gatherings in the meeting area.' Sean will reach out to the in person meetings to see if they are still happening.

Announcements

#1: Erin announces that the IGOR Committee through Region 6 is inviting members to the Westchester United Intergroup kickoff meeting. They will discuss intergroup renewal.

#2: The next Outreach Committee meeting is 12/16/2020 at 5PM this info can be found in the calendar on oanyc.org

Wrapping Up

Meeting closes at 7:58 pm with the OA pledge and the serenity prayer.

Committee Reports:

Position	Person	Metro IG Email Address
Chair	Sean B.	Chair@oanyc.org
Vice Chair	Sarah W. B.	ViceChair@oanyc.org
Treasurer & Finance	Sunny W.	Finance@oanyc.org Treasurer@oanyc.org
Corresponding Secretary	Andy P.	CorrespondingSecretary@oanyc.org
Recording Secretary	Heather M.	RecordingSecretary@oanyc.org
Archives Committee Chair	Jeff C.	Archives@oanyc.org
Bylaws Committee Chair	Rebecca B	Bylaws@oanyc.org
Outreach Committee Chair	Jodie H.	Outreach@oanyc.org
Publications Committee Chair	Hannah P.	Publications@oanyc.org
Retreat Committee Chair	Erin B.	Retreat@oanyc.org
Special Events Committee Chair	Sasha H.	SpecialEvents@oanyc.org
12th Step Within Committee Chair	Jeri S.	TwelfthStepWithin@oanyc.org
Web Committee Chair	Cass G.	WebCoordinator@oanyc.org
Welcoming Committee Chair	Sasha H.	Welcoming@oanyc.org
3 Year Trustee	Andy P.	ThreeYearTrustee@oanyc.org
1-Year Trustee A:	Rebecca B	OneYearTrustee@oanyc.org
1-Year Trustee B:	Alyssa M.	OneYearTrustee@oanyc.org

TREASURER'S REPORT	From:	To:
	November 1, 2020	November 30, 2020
BEGINNING CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE		
TD Bank Checking Account as of:	1-Nov-2020	\$ 27,292.41
PayPal Account Balance as of:	1-Nov-2020	\$ 1,563.39
Venmo Account Balance as of:	1-Nov-2020	\$ 1,291.37
Total Starting Balance:		\$ 30,147.17

EXPENSES (Cleared)	BUDGET CATEGORY	AMOUNT
MailChimp Monthly Subscription List ↑	Publications: Other	\$ 22.85
Zoom Pro Hosting ↑	Zoom	\$ 66.55
PayPal Fees	PayPal Fees	\$ 52.00
PayPal Dispute	PayPal Fees	\$ 4.59
Tom Mayo, Webmaster	Website	\$ 100.00
Total Expenses		\$ 245.99

INCOME (EXCLUDING MEETING DONATIONS)	BUDGET CATEGORY	AMOUNT
Laura F-T	Recurring Donations	\$ 100.00
Erin B	Recurring Donations	\$ 80.00
Laura Ann W	Recurring Donations	\$ 10.00
Reina H-P	Recurring Donations	\$ 5.00
Juan V	Recurring Donations	\$ 20.00
LL LLC	Recurring Donations	\$ 3.00
Kathe G	Recurring Donations	\$ 10.00
Frank D	Recurring Donations	\$ 10.00
HH Tam	Recurring Donations	\$ 5.00
Jane K	Recurring Donations	\$ 5.00
Step Workshop Series	Donation	\$ 30.00
SPEV: Thanksgiving 11/26/20	Special Events	\$ 148.00
October IG Meeting 7T Venmo (Zoom)	IG 7T	\$ 5.00
Total Income		\$ 431.00

DONATIONS: Meeting Contributions	BUDGET CATEGORY	AMOUNT
Monday 6PM Beginner's SMTCV #47526	Meeting Donations	\$ 16.20
101 Virtual Meeting Donations, Venmo*	Virtual Meetings	\$ 1,097.00
62 Virtual Meeting Donations, PayPal*	Virtual Meetings	\$ 1,113.00
Total Meeting Donations		\$ 2,226.20
Total Income (Contributions, Proceeds, Etc)		\$ 2,657.20
*Metro IG Retained Portion of the Virtual Donations (60%)		\$ 1,326.00

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TD Checking Acct Balance per statement as of:	30-Nov-2020	\$	30,695.01
PayPal Account Balance as of:	30-Nov-2020	\$	936.80
Venmo Account Balance as of:	30-Nov-2020	\$	926.57
Total Ending Balance:		\$	32,558.38



Treasurer's Note: Two of our previously static costs went up this past month: MailChimp & our Zoom account. The MailChimp monthly fee went up, and the Zoom account started charging taxes (\$1.56) in November. The tax charge is also in the December statement so we can anticipate this is the new going rate moving forward. We also had someone contest a PayPal donation, which I chose to simply refund. However the dispute charge did not clear before the statement period ended. on 12/3/20 the end of year distribution from 2019-2020 was disbursed to WSO (\$7746.05) and R6 (\$2582.00) per the Intergroup vote in October.

Treasurer's Resignation: After a year and a half in this service position, I am stepping down as Intergroup Treasurer effective January 1, 2021. I will finish out the 2020 calendar year, and will be available to train and assist the incoming Treasurer, as well as be available to the Finance Committee when it's time to put together the 2021-2022 budget. It's been a pleasure and a privilege to be a part of the IG Board and the Finance Committee. Thank you for allowing me to do this service and for your support in my recovery journey.

Retreat Committee Report/Erin B: Everyone can use this language to spread the word about the retreat!

Please share the Retreat Program!

RETREAT ANNOUNCEMENT:

Please mark your calendars for the Metro New York Virtual Weekend Retreat coming up THIS WEEKEND (12/12-12/13) called "Coming Together in Recovery: Welcoming Every OA Member". The whole weekend will be drop-in style with 3 virtual rooms with different events happening throughout the weekend. Some of these events are Panel Speakers, writing workshops, small group shares, special-focused meetings, drop-in yoga and meditation, virtual hikes and virtual board games and (of course) a Talent Show!

Retreat 2-Day Program: www.oanyc.org

Retreat Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82366678530?pwd=ek9PZjVIUmtSSVVDSFIREGZTZm5RQT09>

Meeting ID: 823 6667 8530

Passcode: 112494

Dial in: (646) 558-8656

Participants on the Zoom App (phone, laptop, desktop, ipad, etc) need to be on **Version 5.3.0** or later to be able to choose their own breakout rooms. Please update your Zoom phone App via the app store or at zoom.us on the computer. On the phone or tablet app, find Breakout Room options on the top left. On the computer, find Breakout Room options at the bottom center.

For any questions, please email Erin B. at retreat@oanyc.org

12th Step Within Committee Report/Jeri S: We met on Wed Dec 2nd at 8:00 PM and discussed the continued use of three separate fliers to appeal to our members to be used at the discretion of the fellows sharing them. Also, we began brainstorming how we could work with other conifers and be event driven going forward as well as having more volunteers to be able to speak when people call. Continue to Implement the phone line, staff it and publicize it for people to call for support. Work with other committee's to create events. For HOPE & SUPPORT, Call or Text The 12 Step Within Committee for Help in coming out or relapse and support in preventing one! We are here for you! (929) 376-2662 Call/Text

Publications Committee Report/Hannah P: This month we sent out blasts for the special events put together by the special events committee! We have also been updating the google excel sheet. We sent out the November Metro Memo, which had a 34% open rate, which is high. We have been putting together the December Metro Memo, which is story-based. We plan to distribute that on Wednesday, December 16. We have been putting together the December Metro Memo. We plan to distribute that on Wednesday, December 16. We will then put together the January Memo and continue to work with the Special Events Committee to send out blasts. Publications wants your experience, strength, and hope! Please contribute to the Metro Memo by sending stories, prayers, poems, artwork, etc. to publications@oanyc.org!

Special Events Committee Report/Sasha H: The special event committee held a Thanksgiving Day marathon which consisted of 4 meetings from 10am-3pm. Each meeting had an average of 55 participants with the highest being 73 and lowest 33. The financial report has not come in as of yet. The committee is currently working on putting together a New Years day marathon. The theme of the next marathon may be a beginners meeting marathon but the committee has not met. We are aiming to meet either the 13th or the 20th at 10am. The flyer should be published the week of the 14th. We're aiming to keep with our schedule of having an event every month with the exception of December and so far have been successful.

Outreach Committee Report/Jodi H: We created a presentation deck to be used for remote/online presentations to the Professionals community to create awareness of OA. We just submitted the deck for review to the Board and Publications today. Next Steps: 1. Develop a contact list of organizations we can reach out to. 2. Develop a speaker list of members who will qualify during these presentations. 3. Inventory hard copy materials received from past committee chair and see if we can put them to good use. The Outreach Committee is excited to be ready to reach out to the Professionals. If you are interested in qualifying during a presentation to professionals, or know of an organization who would welcome hearing about OA, please contact outreach@oanyc.org.

Welcoming Committee Report/Sasha H: The welcoming committee met in November and decided to host an event on Unity day with the special events committee. We also decided that we are going to publish the results of the welcoming survey on the oanyc.org website. Were still figuring out creative ways to get the word out about the committee and our work and the best way to include proposals and suggestions from non-committee members. Our next meeting is held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month and will focus extensively on planning the event. We may potentially work with other committees to help put together the unity day workshop. If anyone is interested in joining we'll be meeting on Wednesday December 16th at 7pm. We're excited that more fellows are interested in working with the committee and were approached by the 12th step within committee about collaboration. We feel confident that our committee and its message will continue to grow and resonate within our fellowship. Please join our meetings every 3rd Wednesday of the month welcoming@oanyc.org for more info.

Bylaws Committee Report/Rebecca: Nothing to report

Web Committee Report/Cass: Nothing to report

Inventory Committee Report/JP: Nothing to report

Greater New York Metro Intergroup
New Business Motion 10/8/20 UPDATED
12/10/20

Motion: Move that Greater New York Metro Intergroup introduce a sunset amendment to the policies & procedures.

POLICY 35. COVID-19 Treasury Policy

While the vast majority of our physical meeting rooms remain closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic, individual donations sent to Metro IG will be split with World Service Office and Region Six using the following breakdown:

Metro Intergroup will retain 60% of the donations. 30% will be sent to WSO and 10% will be sent to Region 6. This amendment will expire on June 30, 2021 unless the Intergroup votes to extend the amendment.

Exemptions to the policy are as follows:

1. Donations made by meetings which continue to maintain their individual treasuries and send in monthly or quarterly contributions.
2. Recurring monthly donations set up through PayPal.

PROCEDURE: Distribution of these funds will occur once per quarter, as part of the monthly Treasury reporting. This will happen once in October 2020 for the first quarter (July, August & September), and once in January for the second quarter (October, November & December). Distributions will be made electronically and in accordance with the existing financial policies and procedures which precede this amendment.

Submitted By: Metro IG Finance Committee

Intent: To fulfill the intention of the Seventh Tradition, whereby the funds generated by the individual meetings of our Intergroup continue to be funneled down the inverted pyramid and shared with the Intergroup, Region and World Service using the breakdown which is suggested by the World Service Office (60/30/10).

Rationale: Since our meeting rooms closed in mid-March 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the vast majority of our monthly contributions are being made by individual members through our electronic payment vendors (PayPal and Venmo). Very few meetings are donating to the Intergroup the way they had been previously. It is clear from the reports that we are receiving much more money than we normally would through donations, which makes sense since most meetings have zero expenses during this time. As such, many meetings have temporarily suspended the typical Treasurer position which is in turn leading members to donate directly to the Intergroup. There are only three meetings which have consistently sent in contributions via a group treasurer during the pandemic: Saturday 11AM Park 11 #04272; Saturday 9:45AM Brooklyn Heights Body Image #53673; and #47526 Monday 6PM SMTVC Beginner's Meeting. With more than 80 registered meetings, it's clear that most members are practicing the Seventh Tradition through

individual donations to the Intergroup. These donations then bypass Region 6 and World Service entirely, and it is the intention of this policy to rectify that situation.

