

**MINUTES TO THE CONNECTICUT  
AL-ANON WORLD SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING  
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH IN MERIDEN – MERIDEN, CT  
DECEMBER 2, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm with the Serenity Prayer by Sue G., Area Chairperson.

**Roll Call – Donna C.**

Absent: Pam M., ADR District 4, Renee O., ADR District 5, Sandy S., ADR District 6, Betsy N., DR District 12, Steven I., AAPP, Ester L., Spanish Liaison, Pat R., Sponsorship Workshop Chair.

Guests: Taffy P., Past Delegate Panel 42, Gina R., Past Delegate Panel 48, Gail L., Delegate Elect, Debbie C., DR District 6 Elect, Jackie B., Ronnie S., Janet M., Lisa G., Fran K., Donna S., Janice, Elaine M.

**Opening Comments – Sue G., Area Chairperson**

Sue began by thanking everyone for their service and support over the past three years.

We were reminded that gossip and criticism have no place in how we conduct the business of Al-Anon/Alateen. And the importance of following the Legacies as we focus on what is best for CT Al-Anon/Alateen as a whole.

We were encouraged to keep both our purpose and time constraints in mind as we tackled the workload. Please keep both purpose and time constraints in mind.

**Secretary's Report Donna C., Secretary**

Secretary's Report was presented from the October 7, 2016 Area Meeting. Several corrections were offered.

Motion to accept the minutes as corrected was made by Janet W., DR District 9 and seconded by Pauline K., DR District 8.

The motion to accept the minutes carried unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report – Carol D.**

**November**

Balance Forward	\$16,104.63
Total Income	4,813.71
Total Expenses	1,589.53

End of Month Balance	\$19,328.81
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Motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented was made by Maureen G., DR District 7, seconded by Janet W DR District 9.

Motion to accept the Treasurers' Report carried unanimously.

**Delegate's Report – Ann B.**

Ann encouraged all to read the letter from the Chair of the Board at WSO to be well informed about the changes at WSO. A new CFO has been chosen and started her position in November.

An International Al-Anon General Service Meeting was held in Rome in October, full report will be out in January.

The theme for the 2018 International Convention being held in Baltimore, Maryland is Celebrating One Day at a Time celebrating 50 years of our daily reader.

Due to the generosity of the fellowship, it appears that contributions (to WSO) will top \$2,000,000.00 this year.

We were reminder that resumes' for Board of Directors' consideration must be presented at your District meetings this month.

Ann thanked the AWSC for the privilege of working with everyone.

### **Alternate Delegate's Report – Stacie V.**

DR's were asked to forward the District (meeting) schedules to Sue G., the incoming Alternate Delegate. Stacie thanked everyone for their work and support over the past three years.

### **District 1 Report – Martha N., DR**

District 1 has 23 registered meetings including 2 Alateen meetings. Most service positions are filled and Many District members are involved in Al-Anon service on the Area level and also on the Board of Directors.

The District recently made sizeable donations to our LDC and to WSO.

### **District 2 Report – Sue G2, DR**

District 2 has 15 meetings including 1 Alateen and 2 Spanish speaking meetings. Most of the meetings have representation at District meetings, but some positions have remained unfilled.

### **Concept 12 Sharing – Chuck F., ADR District 1**

The spiritual foundation for Al-Anon's world services is contained in the General Warranties of the Conference, Article 12 of the Charter.

1. that only sufficient operating funds, including an ample reserve, be its prudent financial principle;
2. that no Conference member shall be placed in unqualified authority over other members;
3. that all decisions be reached by discussion, vote and, whenever possible, by unanimity;
4. that no Conference action ever be personally punitive or an incitement to public controversy;
5. that though the Conference serves Al-Anon, it shall never perform any act of government, and that. Like the fellowship of Al-Anon Family Groups which it serves, it shall always remain democratic in thought and action.

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### **Other Business**

#### **Dave T., - Alateen Coordinator**

The Alateen line item has gone over budget. This is in part due to late payment submissions from the 2015 year end. It also includes expenses incurred from the Task force and Sponsorship meeting room rental increases.

Motion: Approve the overage to the Alateen Coordinator line item for the 2016 budget.

Made by Ron S., Schedules Coordinator and seconded by Aileen D., Phone Service Coordinator

Motion passed unanimously.

### **Old Business:**

#### **Schedules Thought Force Final Report – Ron S., Chair**

Ron reviewed the implementation plan as it was developed by the Task Force. Committee members were thanked, and a request to dissolve the Task Force was made.

Motion: Thank the Schedules Task Force Committee and dissolve it because it has completed its' task.

Made by Sue G2., DR District 2 and seconded by Marcia M., Archives Coordinator.

Motion passed unanimously.

### **Lifeline Report – Margaret G.**

Margaret reiterated her thoughts on the appropriateness of the Lifeline's place in present day Al-Anon. She suggested redirecting our energies in a more forward thinking and resourceful ways to communicate.

### **2017 Serenity Breakfast – Lynn K., Convention Co-Chair**

The breakfast will be held on January 22, 2017 at the Radisson Hotel in Cromwell. Seating is limited to 150 and we will be having a plated meal this year. Please talk this up at your meetings.

### **2017 Convention Report – Amy A., Chair**

Pre-registration fliers are ready for distribution and will be due by March 10, 2017. Please encourage participation.

### **New Business:**

#### **2017 Meeting Schedule**

Meeting dates were reviewed. An extra meeting has been added to allow more exchange of ideas and connection with service work.

**Coordinator Resumes**

Resumes were presented and the following members have been elected:

AA Events Coordinator – Carol D.

Alateen Coordinator – Elaine M.

AAPP – Jackie B.

Answering Service Coordinator – Janice R.

Archives Coordinator – Taffy P.

Group Records – Ron S.

Lifeline Coordinator – Bruce G.

Literature Coordinator – Ronnie S.

Website Coordinator – Sue G2.

**Other Business:**

Chair position for the Fall Workshop remains open. If interested please submit resumes to Ann B., no later than December 31, 2016.

Motion to close the meeting was made by Dave T., Alateen Coordinator and seconded by Marcia M., Archives Coordinator.

Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting closed at 10:00 PM with the AI-Anon Declaration.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna C.

Area Secretary