AL-ANON/ALATEEN CONNECTICUT AREA WORLD SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH AT 328 PADDOCK AVE. IN MERIDEN April 7, 2017

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

Roll Call – Helen B., Secretary

Absent: Sue G., Alt. Delegate; Martha N., ADR District 1; Miguel C., ADR District 3; Debbie C., DR District 6; Taffy P., Archives; Bruce G., Lifeline Coordinator; Ronnie S., Literature; Ester L., Spanish Liaison; Ann B., Ex-Officio.

Guests: Gina R., Past Delegate Panel 48; Donna S., Member District 2; Linda P., Debra C., BOD; Aileen, Answering Service.

<u>Opening Comments – Stacie V., Area Chairperson</u>

Stacie welcomed new and returning committee members and reminded us to keep principles above personalities, leave other programs outside the meeting room, and to adhere to the time limits for reports.

Secretary's Report Helen B.

The minutes from the January 6, 2017, meeting were presented. No corrections were offered. Motion to accept the minutes was made by Ron S., Group Records Coordinator and seconded by Pauline K., DR District 10.

<u>Treasurer's Report – Marcia M.</u>

| <u>January</u> | | February | |
|---|-------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| Balance Forward Total Income Total Expenses | \$19,054.06 2,588.94 2,602.34 | Balance Forward Total Income Total Expenses | \$19,032.12 1,176.95 3,130.25 |
| End of Month Balance | \$19,032.12 | End of Month Balance | \$17,078.72 |
| March | | | |
| Balance Forward Total Income Total Expenses | \$17,078.72 2,188.00 2,062.34 | | |
| End of Month Balance | \$17,182.38 | | |

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented was made by Maureen G., DR District 7, and seconded by Carol D., Al-Anon/AA Events Coordinator. The motion passed.

<u>Delegate's Report – Gail L.</u>

She attended the Northeast Regional Delegates Conference in New York South from March 10-12, 2017. The first Native American Al-Anon Conference will be held May 4-7, 2017, in Albuquerque. The World Service Conference will be in Virginia Beach from April 24-29, 2017.

<u>District Report – Susan G., DR District 3</u>

There are 16 Al-Anon groups and one Alateen group in 5 towns, with active participation at the district level, including public outreach. One meeting studies the Concepts once a month, the Traditions once a month, in addition to the Steps the rest of the month. Two Al-Anon members are training to become Alateen sponsors.

<u>District Report – Debbie C., DR District 6</u>

One meeting has closed; non-Conference- approved literature was being used. Another group is facing increased insurance costs at their location.

Concept 2 Sharing – Susan G., DR District 3

Learning to delegate increased participation.

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Old Business

Serenity Breakfast - Lynn K. Convention 2017 Co-Chair

The event was enjoyed by everyone.

2017 Convention Report - Amy A., Chair

It was an inspiring, enjoyable event.

2017 Fall Workshop- Gail L., Delegate

No-one has stepped up to be chair, so there will be no workshop.

Audio Equipment Discussion

Jan volunteered to manage the equipment and make it usable.

New Business

Convention 2018 Co-Chair Resumes - Gail L., Delegate

Send resumes to Gail L., Delegate.

<u>Group Records – Ron S., Group Records Coordinator</u>

WSO sends Annual Update Sheets to the CMA of each group in April. DR's should submit GR-1 forms to <grouprecords@ctalanon.org> if corrections are needed. Help preserve our links of service.

<u>Alateen 60th Anniversary Event – Elaine M., Alateen Coordinator</u>

After discussion, John P., Alt. DR District 12 moved that \$1000 seed money be given to Alateen for an anniversary event in the fall of 2017. The motion was seconded by Jackie B., A2P2, and passed unanimously.

Answering Service Thought Force – Aileen D., Chair

A nine-page report was presented and discussed. The discussion will be continued at the AWSC meeting in May.

<u>Discussion 2013 Guidelines for Interpreters – Gail., Delegate</u>

The need for a thought force was suggested.

A motion to close the meeting was made, seconded and passed.

The meeting closed at 9:23 PM with the Al-Anon Declaration.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen B.

Area Secretary