

Regional Minutes 9-19-09

I. Open Mtg w/MOS and Rdgs @ 12:10

II. Roll Call

A. Executive Co.

Chair - absent (resigned and withdrew nomination)

Vice Chair - present/late

Treasurer - present

Secretary - absent (resigned)

RD - present

RD Alt - present

B. ASC

Ally Catts - present

Bflo - present

Chaut - present

NIO - present

N.F. - present/late

C. Subcommittees

WEB - present/late

Convention - present

H&I - absent

PI - correspondent absent (chair position open)

Lit - open

Activities - absent no report

Policy - absent w/prior notice

III. Review of July 18, 2009 Minutes

A. Corrections

1. Convention was marked absent/ VC Early present w/report

2. RD did submit report

3. Nominations for Chair and Vice Chair closed under Old Business

4. Motion to accept corrected minutes 2nd

IV. Next Meeting

A. Location - 160 Chestnut Street, Lockport, NY

B. Rotation

1. has been impacted more than once due to absent ASC

2. it is recommended that ASC stay from prayer to prayer since location is determined @ start of meeting (further discussion tabled to New Business)

V. Mail Distribution

A. None demanding immediate attention of committee

VI. Treasurer's Opening Balance

A. \$4,367.45

B. No questions

VII. Nominations

A. No nominations for any open subcommittee or executive positions

B. Chair and Vice Chair positions closed/elections November 2009

VIII. Reports

A. RD - report read by Bob B

Focus: Literature workshops held regularly @ Mustard Seed each Sunday @ time of meeting/open to all addicts wishing to participate.

Recommendations summarized and sent to World.

Q&A: Ally -Catts What do you need to come tour Area? Set it up and contact me. Saturday evenings are best.

B. RD Alt

No report necessary - working with RD on literature workshop

Point of Information - Michael B. - Where are the elections held according to our By-Laws? This is an agenda item and the Chair sets the agenda. Suggested agenda is found under Article V of the By-Laws.

C. ASC

1. Alley-Catts - report read and will be submitted @ later date typed

Q&A: WEB - Any changes to the meeting schedule? No changes; although, we are trying to establish 7 meetings a week.

2. Bflo - report read/ will email typed report

Q&A: Focus was on issues specific to Area. Michael B. asked have any groups raised points for Area consideration since Area takes direction from the home groups. Also requested updated meeting list from Bflo.

3. Chaut - report read/see submitted written report by Smitty

4. NF - report read by Melvin: tentative learning day scheduled for Nov 28. Possibly being done in cooperation w/Region Activities. Will email report to RD Alt.

5. NIO - report read by RCM Alt

Q&A: Focus 20th Anniversary Ball - How is it going? As of today it looks good. See attached report.

D. Executive Committee

1. Treasurer - no report at this time

2. Secretary - resigned/email sent to bodyand archives @ Larken Bldg

3. Acting Chair - apologized for lateness. No report/no activity. Next time will have a typed written report. Will pick up archives from Heather or Larken Bldg. Registers - verbally informed that the Convention Co does have them in their possession

4. Vice Chair - no report/ acting as Chair

E. Subcommittees

1. Convention - report read by Chair Ralph W see attachment

Treasure has stepped down and Comptroller has stepped up. Problems with hotel reservations - 45 @ this time. The hotel originally reported 70 & 71 prior to deadline for change in # of rooms required to be reserved. This could be problematic. Also the hotel is still owed \$1000 for the set prior to Convention. Balance as of 9/18/09 \$285.32. Upcoming events: Family Fun Night 9/26 @ 292 High Street - tickets on sale for \$20. Oct 17 - October Fest 12 - 8pm location to be in South Buffalo. Speaker event w/\$20 pre-registration.

- Ask that all Regional Trusted Servants register for the Convention at either event
- Contact Phyllis C for fund raising info #893-2270
- A&G has logo winner
- No jewelry vendor @ this time

Q&A: How is the committee handling the misinformation from the hotel? Can we lower the # of rooms w/out issue to the contracted # of 85 for each night? Answer: This is still being looked into @ this time. Issue here is to make sure that we as a committee maintain a balance congruent to the possible short fall if the rooms contracted are not reserved and the hotel charges us for them. Further discussion was had regarding Keynote Speakers and their identification. It was requested that their identification not be share prior to the Convention.

2. Website - report read/will email copy. Regional emails now up. Reviewed how to access and logon; as well as, changing password. Set up filtering to aggressive or put in emails you want to accept.
All other committees either open or not present.

IX. Old Business

A. Easy Pass reviewed - cost initially \$20 and once registered tolls deducted from initial payment

B. Tabled - no point/Treasurer will accept EZ Pass receipts now

C. Use of Cash Registers by Areas

1. points raised: Bflo Area does so much business in cooperation with other Areas. Regardless they belong to Region. Why are they not here, especially since we have requested that they be turned over? Let Bflo purchase their own. Convention must turn over the registers at the end of the Convention this year

2. Motion for use of the registers by Bflo when not in use by the Convention Co was tabled last meeting

Jeff called for motion - it was 2nd and 3 pros and cons were taken - Cons: Where are they? What if they break - who pays? What if all the Areas want to use them? What about a single point of accountability? Pros: It will help \$ stop from disappearing. Spirit of Cooperation. Will help with accountability of funds.

Called to Vote: 2 Yea 3 Nea 5 Abs
Motion does not pass.

D. Michael B - moves that the funding of the unfunded trusted servants at NEZF be removed from the agenda 2nd and so moved.

X. New Business

A. Elections

1. Chair - Richard P 5/0 unanimous
2. Vice Chair - Kenny 5/0 unanimous

B. Nominations

1. Literature - open
2. H&I - open
3. PI - open
4. Secretary - open
5. Activities - open
6. Convention - Phyllis Cook recommended by the Convention Committee
7. ASC to send back nominations to next meeting.

C. Dispersements

1. Convention requests \$2500 in addition to seed money already made. Request called to a vote: 7 yea 2 nea 1 abs
Dispersement approved and passed
2. Rent - \$10

D. Rotation - no issue/resolved

XI. Treasurer's Closing Balance

Opening Bal \$4367.45

Income \$450.00

Dispersed \$2510.00

Closing Bal \$2297.45 (Note original closing balance did not include \$10 rent.)

Motion to Close 2nd @ 5:50

Yours in Service,
Jim L., Acting Secretary