

SENY COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, Dec 6, 2021

Serenity Prayer

SENY Statement of Purpose

Approval of October Committee Meeting Minutes

Minutes approved.

Reports

Treasurer's Report - Rich S. - treasurer@aaseny.org

- We have started planning our 2022 Budget.
- Our accountants have completed our 2020 tax return and financial statements. While we are a not for profit organization, we are still required to file an annual information return. We have filed this return and are up to date and in compliance with those reporting requirements.
- We have received a letter from Bob W., the GSO General Manager, announcing that GSO has established a new Post Office Box to receive and process 7th Tradition contributions which will now be processed directly by the bank, thus reducing costs and improving efficiency. This change is effective immediately and we have been asked to spread the word. The new address, which should be used going forward is: Post Office Box 2407; James A. Farley Station; New York, New York 10116-2407. The entire letter is available on the aa.org website and will be posted on the SENY website

November

- Continued strong revenues and minimal expenses. Total revenue for the month totaled \$8,877 and consisted of \$8,608 in 84 group and individual contributions, \$194 in the 7th Tradition basket at the November Assembly and \$73 in literature sales.
- Expenses were only \$3,160
 - Office rent of \$1,500
 - \$481 for the monthly rental of our 2 storage units for Archives and Grapevine
 - \$406 in Tech and Website expenses
 - \$368 in Officer expense reimbursements
 - \$248 for expenses associated with our Corrections Chair's attendance at the National Corrections Conference.
- Net surplus for the month: \$5,717 - increased our operating account cash balance to \$89,324.04.
- Prudent Reserve account balance: \$127,112 or 10.55 months.
- Convention account increased to \$8,103 as registration fees and dinner reservations have begun to trickle in and the Special Event account held steady at \$6,000.

Year to Date basis

- Contributions exceed budget at \$112,258 and will surpass our budgeted amount for the year.
- 7th Tradition baskets were \$2,231 and literature sales totaled \$1,224 both of which are below budget due to our continuing to meet virtually and not in person.

- Total expenses for the 11 months were \$53,046 with every expense category significantly below budget
- Net surplus to date of \$69,083.

Approval of Treasurer report - 83 yes, 1 abstention, no opposed.

SENY Exploratory Committee Report - Heidi C

- Recommendations are based on currently available information, which includes federal, state, and local regulations, CDC guidance, guidance from AA World Services, and the principles of unity, recovery, and service and the committee members' service experience as well.
- All of our recommendations are subject to change as conditions change.
- Should an event take place within New York City, the recommendations would be more stringent due to the local regulations and vaccination requirements there. However, as stated in the November Assembly report, we are recommending at this time that SENY events be held outside NYC in order to eliminate the need to collect individual health information such as vaccination status or recent negative COVID test results.

For In-Person Events:

- MASKS required
- SENY will provide surgical masks and hand sanitizer at in-person events.
- VENUE
 - Venues must have adequate washing facilities (hot water, soap, paper towels).
- SOCIAL DISTANCING –
 - We recommend in addition to mask-wearing, there be capacity limits to the extent possible to provide for social distancing.
 - We also want to limit, to the extent possible, close contact between people so we are discussing what this would mean for service tables and registration.
- **Limited eating and drinking and only in designated areas –**
 - We are recommending that for shorter events, such as committee meetings, no eating or drinking be permitted indoors.
 - For longer events, like assemblies, we are recommending that eating or drinking take place only in designated areas. SENY would not be preparing meals, so it would be a bring your own brown bag situation.
- Convention -
 - Banquet - we will be recommending more spacing between the tables, less people per table, and perhaps a lower number of banquet tickets to be sold to be able to space people while eating
 - Hospitality - we will be recommending that convention hospitality have pre-packaged items for food, be moved into the atrium which can have adequate ventilation and have a capacity limit.
- CONTACT - Always ask before hugging, shaking hands with, kissing, or touching another person, and when in doubt, no touching.
- PRE-REGISTRATION -

- We also suggest pre-registration for all attendees so that these requirements are known in advance by anyone who wishes to attend an in-person event. This would also help with contact tracing.
- COVID-19 Positive Test –
 - We are recommending that any person who attends an in-person event and tests positive for COVID-19 let the Chair or her designee know so that they can notify those who attended that someone tested positive.

“Safety and AA: Our Common Welfare” Service Material.

https://www.aa.org/assets/en_US/smf-209_en.pdf.

Hybrid Assemblies/Committee Meetings:

- We believe that SENY's ability to engage in service remotely is here to stay. It is important that people who have accessibility issues or have reasons why they do not feel safe coming to in-person events or are not able to comply with these recommendations be able to participate in service.
- Static Location - There are many tech requirements needed to bring this to fruition. We are looking at having a static location for the in-person aspect in a central location
- We are exploring options such as Tech 12, or rental companies, or purchasing equipment.

Volunteers Needed – We recommend that SENY recruit and assemble volunteers for the following:

- Tech Volunteers Needed for possible future hybrid assemblies
- Health & Safety Volunteers Needed for in-person events to pass out masks, keep an eye on capacity limits for rooms, and such.

Questions

- Will all this information be available to groups?
 - Nisaa will post on website
- Have you thought about what restaurant will be outside of the venue?
 - We haven't thought of this, so thank you for bringing it up.
- Site location? Will it be large enough to have enough seats, spacing of seats?
 - right now the recommendation is 3-6 feet. That's why we are thinking about having people pre-register

If you are interested in being a tech volunteer in any capacity please sign up here:

<https://fred252.typeform.com/to/ZpGzDpzc?typeform-source=admin.typeform.com>

2022 Convention - Mel R. - convention@aaseny.org

- We are doing everything based on Exploratory Committee Suggestions
- Registration is up in english and in spanish on seny website - <https://www.aaseny.org/2022-convention>
- Going forward, we are going to have a scholarship button

- We will be having more participation from Hispanic District
- Banquet: we went from 10 people to 8 people, and tables will be more spread out
- Everyone is going to be required to wear masks.
- At this point, nothing is in the works for a hybrid convention. That is going to come from the exploratory committee and/or the tech committee.
- Please start outreaching! Get the word out that this is happening!

Questions

- What are the responsibilities of standing committee chairs for conventions?

If you want to set up a table, you can certainly do that please reach out to me. If the program committee needs you they will reach out.

- Can I register for more than 1 person at a time? YES

County & Hispanic District Reports

Laura G - Bronx Upper Manhattan

- 12/8 next county meeting will still be virtual, and we will be discussing if we will continue with that

Melissa - DCMC Suffolk County

- Just had an event that was the difference between general service and intergroup
- 12/18 - 10am - 2pm LISTS - Long Island Spirituality Through Service -Virtual Event

Bert - DCMC Queens County

- Next meeting is Dec 13 - will be zoom
- Dec 18 - next Share a Day committee meeting
- Still need CPC, ASsesibilites, Corrections, and Newsletter

John L - DCMC Putnam County

- Will be hosting a New Year's Alkathon. This hybrid event will run from 7 pm New Year's Eve through 9 am New Year's Day. Everyone is welcome.
- There is a recurring booking meeting that has been established in Putnam. The quarterly meeting exchange takes place on the first Saturday of each third month at 10 am. The next booking meeting will be on Saturday March 5, 2022, 10 am, at the First Presbyterian Church of Mahopac, 411 Rt. 6N, Mahopac NY. Details will be posted at putnamcountynyaa.org.
- Participation is growing a bit in Putnam with some Bridging the Gap activity, some recent county archives work, a new Accessibilities chair person, and a couple new GSR's.
- Updated group and meeting information can be found at putnamcountynyaa.org
- Putnam County General Services meets on the second Tuesday of every month. Information for this meeting is on the SENY Calendar. Visitors are welcome.

Marty - DCMC Nassau County

- Our Concepts Series will continue virtually 2022 - Nancy McCarthy Non Alcoholic Trustee CPC is leading.
- Our County Big Meeting is December 11th . 100 in person and another 100 hybrid. 1pm-4pm
- Our County Reps meeting is virtually December 20th
- Our Unity Breakfast will be in person June 12th
- We have planning committee doing a county service participation workshop will be at the end of March

Eric - DCMC Orange County

- This Sunday is our rescheduled Spiritual breakfast, 9am - 11am
- In search of literature chair
- PI chair committee is working with local libraries and hospitals
- Attended putnam unity breakfast, purchased books for diff groups in orange county
- Registered for seny convention, pittsburgh NERAASA
- Min 29

Larry -DCMC Manhattan

- Attended SENY Service Participation Meeting 10/21/21
- Attended Archive Committee Workshop 10/23/21
- Attended SENY Service Sponsorship Committee Meeting 10/31/21 and 11/28/21
- Attended SENY Assembly 11/7/21
- Held the MGSM Meeting on 11/16/21
- Our Manhattan new website is up <https://www.manhattanaa.org/>
- Manhattan County Officers are meeting 12/8/21 to create 2022 budget

Deborah - DCMC BKLYN

- Nov 17th - was the last meeting and Keith spoke
- Jan 19th - next meeting
- Have been attending service participation meeting and meetings for our spiritual breakfast
- We are looking into a bus to get to the convention
- We will be at LISS

Kevin - DCMC Westchester county

- Meeting 3rd wednesday of the month
- New years eve party - Doors open at 7pm tickets are \$25 @ bryant av. white plains ny
- New years day AA alcathon 10am-5pm at Leo Mitzner Center - in West Harrison -Jan 1
- Have pavillion rented for next spiritual bbq

Brian DCMC Staten Island

- Meeting 2nd sunday of the month, had our first hybrid meeting it went well
- We had our spiritual breakfast, it was successful
- We did check for covid testing, and people wore masks

- We have a holiday marathon on christmas day
- Alathon on new years eve - on SENY calendar

SENY Standing Committee Reports

Kristin -CPC Chair

- At last meeting Bill C & Marty Shared about their experience presenting at Stoneybrook University in a PA class. They were asked for Covid vaccination cards at security, which we were not informed of previously.
- Our December speaking event at NYIT cancelled due to a raise in Covid cases.
- Our Delegate Tom B. spoke about the difference between attraction and promotion. He requested that we contact him if we hear of any groups/members who are unsure of the difference between the two. He spoke of the Linkin page.
- Discussion between members about possible use of Twitter and Instagram. Additional conversation about getting clearinghouse contacts of faith leaders.
- We spoke about asking our meeting locations to post AA meeting schedules on their bulletin board for the community to be aware of where and when to find AA meetings.
- Upcoming events;
 - CPC chair to present at SENY virtual panel “Small Service Steps, Big Regional Effects.
 - Setting up CPC table at Big Meeting on Long Island
- Possible future event:
 - CPC table at Island Park’s Alkathon for Christmas and New Year’s Eve

REQUEST: Contact information of All/ Any CPC committee chairs for county of Area 49 be shared with SENY CPC Chair.

Annabel - Accessibilities Chair

- Primary Purpose: to carry the message
- Accessibility Survey: We have conducted a preliminary review of the results of our Accessibility Survey, and it seems that “mobility issues” are currently the most barrier preventing access to the program of AA . If your group has not yet completed the survey, please do so on the Accessibility Committee page for aaseny.org.
- Our current mission is a team effort with the Treatment Facilities Committee to distribute Grapevine and La Vina to treatment facilities in need of AA message. Hank, the Chair of our Treatment Committee, has been compiling a list of facilities and will order the magazines to be delivered directly to them.
- Schedule: 2nd Thursday of every month 7:30 – 9:00 p.m – virtual until further notice
- Suggestion of the Day: For virtual meetings, please provide phone-in numbers (in addition to I.D. codes and passcodes), to allow access for AA’s who lack video capability
- Virtual accessibility – be mindful of your background and your behavior during virtual meetings, as distractions may make AA unattractive (and less accessible!) to people who need AA

Hank - Treatment & Facilities Chair

- Face to Face Meetings at treatment facilities in our Area are picking up. There are many facilities in our counties that are in need of speakers. Contact your county Treatment facility chair if you care to help out. Note: In Most counties in Area 49 intergroup delegates facilitate bringing meetings into TFs.
- The Treatment Facilities Committee of Area 49 meets virtually, the 4th Sunday of every month for 2021 using the ZOOM platform. The ID and Passcode are on the SENY website calendar. Last month we had Dennis from the Gun Hill group in the Bronx speak on the history of TFs in A49.
- Currently, The A49 TF Committee is working with A49 Accessibilities Committee on bringing GV subscriptions to treatment facilities in Southeastern New York. We have placed an order with GV/LV for 13 treatment facilities in our area. Bridging the Gap requests are picking up. Bridging The Gap is a temporary contact program for the alcoholic going from a treatment program to his or her first meetings from that facility. If you want to help in BTG you can contact Hank tf@aaseny.org. Join us in this great 12 step work.

Keith - Service Sponsorship Chair

- The Service Sponsorship Committee continues to meet on the last Sunday of every month for our Rotating Speaker / Tradition Meeting plus an Open Forum for DCMCs / DCMs / GSRs and All County Service Sponsorship Chairs.
- Our next Meeting is Sunday, December 19th from 4 – 5PM. We will be concluding with Tradition 12. Guest speaker with Open Forum to follow. Details and meeting information is posted on the SENY Events calendar.
- NEW MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT:

Beginning Sunday, January 9th from 4 - 5 PM Eastern on Zoom

The Service Sponsorship Committee will be hosting a 12 week continuous study of the NEW A.A. SERVICE MANUAL. Each week will concentrate on a Chapter with a Guest Speaker + Open Forum. More information is available on the SENY website at the Service Sponsorship landing page at <https://www.aaseny.org/service-sponsorship> and on the SENY calendar under events: <http://events.aaseny.org/events>

Christine - Intergroup Liaison Chair

- Last meeting in person in November at Queens Intergroup Office
- NExt meeting is Dec 19th. Still discussing meeting list, Jane attended our last meeting and she was able to assist with some questions
- Intergroups are planning on printing meeting lists - probably by Spring of 2022
- If you need access to the intergroup websites, you can find links to that on my subpage on seny website.

Jeannette- NYSIW 2022 Chair

- We reserved the last weekend in July for the event.
- Next planning meeting will be Dec 16th at 7:30pm - info is on seny calendar- please encourage members to attend

- We are still looking for a venue, if you have any ideas please come to the committee meeting, we need your help!
- Working on finalizing budget

Kingsley - Literature Chair

- Last meeting in November - little attendance
- Got into What's New section (aa.org)
- Attended Unity Breakfast in the Bronx
- We go through certain pieces of Literature, and Tom attended meeting.

Lucas- Correction Chair

- Our fifth SENY Corrections meeting was held on Saturday, November 20th at 3pm. Tom B our Delegate joined. We continue to receive requests for outside volunteers to be connected to members on the inside and have sent those to our Corrections desk. Our next meeting will be held on Saturday, January 15, at 3pm. Information for this meeting is below. In addition, please visit our landing page:

<http://events.aaseny.org/event/seny-correction-committee-meeting-virtual/2022-01-15>

<https://www.aaseny.org/corrections>

- Attended the National Corrections Conference in New Orleans from November (12th-14th) and brought back some valuable information from the experience. You can listen to all of the presentations by going to the link below and clicking on that link to listen to the audio recordings or visiting the site archive menu.

<https://nationalcorrectionsconference.org/>

- I welcome all interested in Corrections service to attend the National Corrections Call this Saturday at 11am ET to get more information about new information regarding national issues regarding Corrections service. ID:239 990 5603 PW: 765110
- Lastly, I will be speaking on Corrections at The Suffolk County Big Meeting in person in Suffolk on December 4th – info is on our Corrections landing page. You can also find me doing a fun sobriety countdown at THE Brooklyn County's Spiritual Breakfast on December 5th!. I also plan on hosting a breakout room in SENY's "small service effects - BIG REGION EFFECTS" virtual event on December 11th.

Kimbley - Grapevine Chair

- As COVID-19 restrictions are easing I am now available to get out to service work of coordinating exhibits, selling Grapevine and LaVina literature, attending Share-A-Days, spiritual breakfasts and area conventions.
- The Grapevine also has a new half hour podcast airing Mondays at 9am. Each week Don & Sam interview a different member about their experience, strength and hope in a casual meeting.
- Reminder - "Prayer and Meditation" – Powerful stories about the many ways they pray and meditate in their daily lives. Available in English, Spanish and French.
- Reminder that LaVina celebrates 25 years of publication.
- Attended November Assembly; Monthly meetings for District 617, District 620, Manhattan, Queens and Staten Island General Service Meeting and attended

presentation on Treatment Facilities led by Dennis, Gun Hill Group. Most proudly, my first in person event at the Putnam County Spiritual Breakfast.

- The efforts to sell the on-hand inventory of Grapevine/LaVina literature are coming along. Goal is to sell inventory by the years' end.
- I encourage all to explore the Grapevine link at aagrapevine.org and for all Grapevine reps to register through that link for their service commitment.
- Looking forward to adapting and exploring new ways to outreach to members and service committees.
- Grapevine Writer's Workshop development is coming along. I will have been in touch with Cathay P. who will assist with these efforts.
- We will be presenting a workshop in March, 2022. "History of the Grapevine and LaVina" Bill W., Past Delegate Area 68 will lead these efforts.
- Next committee meeting scheduled 12.8.21

Jessica V - Recording Secretary

- Thank you to everyone who is sending me their reports.
- Please send reports via email secretary@aaseny.org or through my subpage at aaseny.org

Claire M - Website Chair

- Focusing on next weekend which is "small service effects - BIG REGION EFFECTS"
 - This is about standing committees and learning more about these! All are welcome, info is on SENY website
- Website: Working on translating more pages.
- Please give me 48-72 hours for any/all changes

Maureen - Alt DCM for Rockland County

- Meeting is next wednesday, at 7:30pm - virtual meeting

Paola - PI Chair

- We meet the third Thursday of every month at 7pm via zoom.
- We are having low participation at the area level and the county level, which in turn leads to not being able to do much as a committee.
- We have two counties regularly participating at the area level.
- We have ideas as to PI events we can do, but can't take on the responsibility without more people involved.

Vicky - Agenda Chair

- New Agenda page on the SENY website Standing committee,
- Note guidelines to submit updates for the SENY Calendar either using the form on site or emailing the Agenda Chair at agenda@aaseny.org.
- Submit event on a timely basis, at least two weeks in advance and check SENY calendar to avoid overlap
- Some Counties meeting are not posted on the SENY calendar

- Standing Committees and County please send me dates for 2022 calendar
- Please confirm that your information is posted correctly.

7th Tradition / 5 minute break

Delegate - Tom B - delegate@aaseny.org

Preliminary Agenda Items – sent to Officers and DCMCs on 12/3:

- Will be posted on Website
- Tom goes reviews Preliminary Agenda Items via screen share
- Please keep in mind that this is preliminary list and agenda items may be added or subject to change by the trustees' committees at the January board weekend.
- Final total recommended by GSO: 178 proposed agenda items. After trustees discussed it, it is down to 62 assigned to committees and 15 under the Equitable Distribution of Workload items- total 77 items.
- Touch on items which will probably be of interest to Area 49.
- Explanation of Equitable Distribution of Workload items.
- Final list to be approved at the GSB meeting at the end of January.
- I have the privilege, as a Conf Committee Chair, to attend that meeting as both observer & participant.

Participation: Roles of the DCMs (and DCMCs):

- A prime role of DCMS and DCMCs as trusted servants is to get important A.A. info out from me (and other trusted servants) to the GSRs, and therefore the Groups.
- I can only send so many email blasts messages before my voice is not being heard. I need the help of everyone on the SENY Comm to get important A.A. business – such as these Agenda Items – out to every Group that can be reached.
- I made it to 4 SENY Comm mtgs in last two weeks and the attendance was very low. Are the DCMCs/DCMs stressing – lovingly – the importance of this work?

Participation: Role of the Delegate:

1. Support everyone on the SENY Comm in any way I can – you just have to ask. But you do have to ask. I'm available!
2. Get as much, timely info out to the Groups – through our website, but even more importantly through all of you.
3. Continue to stress to the groups – again, in conjunction with you – the importance of hearing the voices of as many of our SENY Groups as humanly possible.

Next Steps:

- The next three Assemblies (Jan 23, DDoS 3/5, and Pre-Conf Assy 4/9) will be mission-critical to getting the Groups to Participate. Discussed the Delegate's Questionnaire which will be coming up... plan on rolling out some changes.
- Transparency and straight answers will be critical – your help even more so. We need to enroll the Groups in the vision of unity in A.A. And the first word in the first Step remains "we".

- I'm available to visit your county, district, or group, and am willing to serve Area 49 any way I can.

Links to From the Delegate:

<https://www.aaseny.org/from-the-delegate>

English Preliminary:

<https://static1.squarespace.com/static/559f240ce4b07a4915495c39/t/61b8a80a7dcd765c388f3f56/1639491594278/72nd+GSC+Proposed+Agenda+Items+-+PRELIMINARY+%282021-12-03%2C+English%29.pdf>

Spanish Preliminary:

<https://static1.squarespace.com/static/559f240ce4b07a4915495c39/t/61b8a828c16bdd4097bdf22/1639491624943/72nd+GSC+Proposed+Agenda+Items+-+PRELIMINARY+%282021-12-03%2C+Spanish%29.pdf>

Questions?

- Can you clarify the grapevine item regarding preamble?

It reads: "Discuss the wide-ranging impact the Preamble change has had on our A.A. Fellowship". Important on this is that it shows that General Service and the trustees are listening to a lot of the reactions they have heard from the fellowship at large. AA grapevine owns the preamble, but they are going to talk about it further.

- Can we share this with the whole fellowship? It says that we cannot post?

When we say post, we mean on any public forum, like "private facebook group". But yes you can share with anyone in AA.

- There were 178 submissions, where do those go? Do they plan on revisiting? Since it's down to 77.

The plan is no. What I do know is a lot of them were duplicates with similar wording. I would guess if they had 20 items asking for the same thing, they would pick the one that was clearly worded. I'm not 100% sure, but I will know more after the board meeting in January.

Alternate Delegate - JoAnn M. - altdelegate@aaseny.org

- Since the November 7th Assembly, I facilitated three group inventories.
- We had our 2nd Joy of Service workshop hosted by Staten Island on November 13.
- Working on scheduling the 1st of two JOS workshops for 2022 and will keep you posted.
- On the morning of Nov. 14, I attended the Westchester Distrito 814s 30th anniversary celebration of the Hispanic Districts partnering with SENY. In the afternoon I was invited to speak at a virtual Alanon District 33 service workshop.
- I attended the in-person Spiritual Breakfast hosted by Putnam County, the Hispanic Districts Asamblea, and the NERD meeting of Delegates and Alternates facilitated by our NE Regional Trustee Francis on November 21st.
- We had our 2nd Virtual Movie Night on November 27th where I got to show two more AA films. Participation was low so I am hoping it was only because of the holiday/shopping weekend. I may plan another for early 2022.
- On November 28, I attended Staten Island's in-person spiritual breakfast.

- At the Northeast Region Alt. Delegates meeting this month, incoming Alternates for Panel 72 came to introduce themselves and become familiar. We discussed the new service material on safety recently released by the GSO.
- I am still waiting for GSR kits ordered from the GSO for the Spanish GSRs. I was informed they are on back order.
- On December 1st, I attended the National Alternate Delegates meeting where we had past delegates share about our literature as a resource for recovery and service.
- I attended the Staten Island virtual Share-a-day on Dec. 4th.
- I will be speaking at the first virtual Long Island Spirituality Through Service (LISTS) workshop on December 18th. This is a 4 county workshop hosted this year by Suffolk County.
- I have already registered for the Northeast Region AA Service Assembly (NERAASA 2022) and our 2022 SENY Convention both upcoming in-person events.
- I attended the Brooklyn Virtual Spiritual Breakfast yesterday morning and in the evening, an in-person 30th anniversary celebration hosted by the Queens Distrito 314.
- I asked the Hispanic Districts to pick a location and a Sunday in March to have a Hispanic writing workshop for the 4th ed of the Spanish Big Book. I also spoke to a member there with 51 years sober who shared with everyone his experience in service and helping to get the LaVina magazine afloat.
- We didn't have a Service Participation Meeting in November and I apologize once again for sending a misleading schedule in my last email. We only meet in months where there is no assembly. There is a Service Participation meeting this month on December 16th at 7:30pm and I will send a reminder later this week.
- I am always available for group inventories and to speak on traditions and concepts.

Technology & Communications Officer (TCO) - Mike O. - tco@aaseny.org

- Please remember to make changes to Group and trusted servant information through the SENY website or by contacting the Registration Chair or TCO directly. At present GSO is not informing Area Registrars if changes are made, which is very frustrating to the Areas and Groups; the Area Registrars are asking GSO to restore these notifications.
- Justin, the Area Registration Chair, and I went to GSO's quarterly Fellowship Connection roundup and 2 Registrars meetings; GSO has formed a work group to study bulk uploads to Fellowship Connection, which Justin is now a member of; he is there tonight. At present those Areas who use Airtable or anything other than Fellowship Connection have to duplicate all their work in 2 databases, which is twice the work.
- Thanks to Tom and Joanne, our Delegate and alt-Delegate, for coming to the Tech Committee Meeting last Thursday. One topic was whether we need more tech workshops, and on what topics, and I'd like to suggest that just like the Area asks the Counties to host Joy of Services workshops, the Counties host workshops on tech topics of interest to them, supported by the Tech Committee, like Putnam did this summer.
- The Postal Mailings Chair will be doing a separate, stand-alone, mailing of convention flyers.

- We've always had a fair amount of GSO material on our website in English. For each item we've now added the Spanish-language version, including but not limited to the new service manual and the Traditions and Concepts Checklists; SENY's Committee Guidelines and Rules of Order are there in Spanish as well.

Area Chairperson - Nisaa A. - chair@aaseny.org

- Really want to thank the Exploratory Committee for all their work - this is for the health and safety of our area
- For our January assembly I'm going to reach out to everyone in separate format. I really want to hear from GSRs to see what workshops and topics you're interested in. Just because you have been positioned for a year doesn't mean you don't have any questions. We'll have opportunity for constructive feedback and possible something different for GSRs and DCMs
- We want to do a spot check, we don't necessarily have to wait until November inventory
- Available for group inventories
- If you have any questions, you can email me

5 minute break

Old business

New business

<https://static1.squarespace.com/static/559f240ce4b07a4915495c39/t/61a58bc939c80d10d872de15/1638239177393/virtual+committee+meeting+motion.pdf>

Motion: I make a motion to keep the SENY Committee meeting on a virtual platform for the remainder of this rotation.

Motion 2nd.

Robust Discussion

- Many members in favor
- It was pointed out that we don't necessarily have to get more AA volunteers, we could hire people to do the set up and break down for meeting
- Concern is that we are having a hard enough time getting people to participate. How do we get more people involved? There is a value in having in person meetings.

Vote:

2/3rds to pass: substantial unanimity

37 yes

1 no

1 abstentions

No minority opinion

Motion passes

Close - A Declaration of Unity