

**AI-Anon Information Service of Greater Rochester NY**  
**Meeting MINUTES – November 14, 2020, 10am**  
**Electronic meeting**

Mel Opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. We shortened our opening to allow for Group Inventory at 10:30.

Present: Loron O, John B, Pat H., Mel Y, Carol C, Rose B, Janice, Sue C. Karen, Ellen V. Beth S, Nancy M., Jill R, Angela.

**Reports:**

**Chair:** 137 Newcomer packets mailed since March. We continue to monitor incoming calls to the office.

**Secretary:** Approve/amend/accept October meeting minutes-Motion to approve Rose, Second Karen R., motion passed. Will add to Dec. agenda Website/Electronic Chair duties and COVID-19 protocol for office.  
Current minutes at AIS website

**Vice-Chair: election of officers/committee members**

- Vice-Chair-Pat H.
- Treasurer- Diane
- Web tech-possible candidate
- Activities- Dennis C. and Deb G.
- Intergroup rep-need candidate
- Finance Chair-need candidate and/or committee members
- Web Committee-Sue C.
- Alateen chair-Beth S. has offered and candidate
- Karen-newsletter
- Loron-Secretary through 12/2021

John B. has met with Diane to do “warm handoff” for this position. We agree this should happen with all positions, including welcome to new ISR members to AIS. Loron will confirm emails of new members and send out welcome emails after today’s meeting. Slate of candidates presented for approval by Mel, second by Pat H. Group passed motion and officers confirmed.

**Treasurer:**

Current treasure report is found at <http://aisrochester.org/pdf/treasurer-report.pdf>, Treasurer report reviewed. Motion to approve report-Mel, second Pat, motion approved.

2021 Budget-posted on website and in treasurer report, calculations made on 10 year “lookback”. We note with the pandemic restrictions, expenses will look different next

year. No one had made corrections to the budget. Beth S. asked - 0\$ funds for Alateen? Our Alateen group is supported by the Saturday Al-Anon meeting and if the Alateen chair or groups needed help from AIS we would help. We agree on the importance of Alateen!

Budget-move to approve Beth, Second Mel, budget approved.

**Public Outreach:** Westside News -Loron has contacted the paper and it will publish al-anon information twice a month. Does anyone know if there is an Eastside News or East Rochester News?

NPR and other radio stations have a PSA(Public Service Announcement) for Al-Anon and Loron has called and asked them to play the PSA. They have many and try to rotate but it may play early in the morning.

Loron also will call Westfall and Unity to see if they would like a speaker to replace Kathleen H.

We have a Speaker Bureau list for upcoming meetings, anniversaries, and (when COVID ends) speaking to groups in the Rochester area. Some of you are on the list but I haven't asked yet. Please contact me if you would be willing to speak about Al-Anon to professional organizations in the future.

Next meeting will be 11/18/20 at 6:00

Rose adds-if you have food cupboard connections-let us know and we can get literature to you. PSA's have been heard on local radio stations. *What radio stations so we can send thank yous?*

**Newsletter:** deadline for December newsletter is 11/15. Will include election results and reports from group inventory.

**Calendar committee/Electronic** report-Ellen V.

Calendar committee: we are selling them - we have sold enough so far to be making a profit! Sold 110 of the 200 printed. This is a fundraiser for AIS. Calendar is beautiful!

Electronic meetings: The google docs spreadsheet reviewed last month is informative and helpful. Discussion-we will post a link on the website to google documents with updated information about meetings-group agrees this should be tried. If we can get information on visits to this link -would be helpful per Mel.

Discussion about the "old" meeting list pre-shutdown, which has been updated to include only the meetings that are open in some form. Will review next month. *The google docs will have the meetings that are not being held but registered with WSO.*

**Volunteers-Mike G.** no report

**Web Committee:**

November 14, 2020 Web Committee: Pat & Mel

- The Calendar project is up and running! Thank you to Ellen V., Hillary, and the calendar committee for your service and to Mel for the hours of preparation it took to get

this working on our website. Also, a thank you to Rebecca for your willingness to deliver the calendars.

- Old information on the Literature page has been taken off.
- We now have a beginner meeting on Wednesday at 11 am till 11:45 am. It is open to all.
- Newcomer packets continue to be mailed out and calls returned when someone has questions.

October 2020 - AIS Traffic

- 3904 visitors viewing 18,248 pages
- 67% new and 33% returning visitors ● 45% mobile and 55% desktop viewing devices

The top 5 pages visited:

- Home Page ● Meeting List ● Calendar ● Newcomer ● Contact Please let us know if you have any suggestions or questions.

**Alateen:** no report, contact on website

**Finance:** see treasurer report

**Activities:** open/no report

**Intergroup Rep:** open position

**Unfinished Business:** see Vice chair section for elections,

December agenda- job description for Electronic chair, welcoming statement for new members to AIS. Secretary needs to have up to date contacts from ISR's and people attending the AIS meeting.

**Adjourn:** at 10:30, to begin group inventory

**Next Meeting:** December 14, 2020 -please submit agenda items as soon as you have them! To secretary or Chairperson

**Respectfully submitted Loron O.**