

## CLEVELAND AL-ANON COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of  
October 21, 2022

**Zoom log in information: The meeting now requires a passcode.**

**Meeting ID is 847 9751 3760 (or dial by phone 312-626-6799) followed by the passcode: serenity**

The meeting began at approximately 7:05 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer. The meeting was conducted via Zoom. Sydney chaired the meeting in Betty's absence. There were 15 persons in attendance. The minutes of the September 16, 2022, meeting having been forwarded in advance to Council members, the reading of the minutes was dispensed with. Item (2) under Old Business was corrected to add the words "not seconded" to the end of that item. Motion was then made to approve the minutes with this correction.

### **VOLUNTEERS/OFFICE REPORT:**

1. Nancy reported that things are going normally. There is good coverage in the office, including phone coverage when no one is in the office. She remarked that the WSO is still having printing problems, although Vivian noted that the office has finally received new daily readers in.
2. Sydney, on behalf of Intergroup Council, thanked the volunteers for all their good work.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Patty presented her report for September, 2022 (see the attached).

**ALATEEN:** Sheila presented Gary's report as follows:

The Ohio Fall Alateen Rally was held in Akron on 10/8/22 and there were about 25-30 of us in attendance. In spite of the low number, I was happy with the turnout. With all the difficulties from bringing Alateen back from the pandemic, it was good to see some signs of life. It was good to be back. That's all for now. Thank you for the support.

Sincerely, Gary J., Alateen Cleveland); Residence – 440-835-8807; [g.jokela@att.net](mailto:g.jokela@att.net)

**HILITES:** Janice had no report. She remarked that she is still learning.

**PUBLIC OUTREACH:** Regina's report is as follows:

1. The Public Outreach Committee has been contacted through me, the Coordinator, within the last month or so. One time was to inform me that the P.O. committee was able to assist with Alateens through purchase of literature from our State Alateen Coordinator, Sara M. The purchase was \$71.40 leaving P.O with a balance of \$1,213.36. I will double check with the office to make sure that figure is correct. The second contact was from Lakeland College for a possible Health Fair. Professor Browner and I will be communicating to get more details on if Public Outreach can be of service. The Third contact was from the Women's Re-entry Facility. Minister Schlessman is interested in starting an Al-anon meeting there because he is hearing the need through sessions of support in other areas of the inmate's lives. The fourth was a session on Understanding Addiction presented by the Parma /Snow Road County Library. Messages have been left, but no one has called me yet. I will need to do some investigation in a couple of these due to concerns with traditions and other questions I have on proceeding. A Public Outreach meeting will be scheduled soon with our goals of AFA's, Business Cards, PSA's , posters and any other suggestions that arise.

Respectfully Submitted, Regina E. Franklin, Public Outreach Coordinator

**GREATER CLEVELAND AL-ANON WEBTEAM:**

Carolyn gave her report as follows:

August and September Website Stats:

Total Users	Average Time on Site	Search Acquisiton	Direct Acquisition	Referral Acquisition	Most Popular Page	Mobile Users	Desktop Users	Tablet Users
937	1:52	920	734	10	Meetings by Day	588	314	40
976	2:09	879	811	6	Meetings by Day	632	306	45

Approximately 10 meeting updates were made since the August meeting. A few groups have moved locations, provided structure updates, or removed hybrid options. As always, updates and questions can be sent to [cleveland.ais.website@gmail.com](mailto:cleveland.ais.website@gmail.com).

I (Carolyn) spoke with Janice, the new Hi-Lites volunteer. She has some WordPress experience and will have website access to help with updates when needed. As of December 1, Loretta will be stepping down as a website volunteer. We thank her for her service!

In answer to a question at last month's meeting concerning how often the meeting list is updated on the website, Carolyn noted that updates are made to the website at least weekly, but usually more often. All changes made to meetings are on every instance of that meeting on the website, no matter how you're searching. To request a change to a meeting, people can email [cleveland.ais.website@gmail.com](mailto:cleveland.ais.website@gmail.com) or use the form on the site.

**DISTRICTS / OHIO AFG LIAISON:**

Mary Jo's report is as follows:

1. Two-Day Fall Assembly is October 15-16 and starts at 1 p.m. and 9 a.m., respectively. Voting is approximately at 2:30 p.m. Reports and registration are on the Calendar page at [ohioal-anon.org](http://ohioal-anon.org).

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Elections for Council officers for 2023 – Elections were had, with Sydney elected as Chairperson, Patty to continue as Treasurer, and Liz S. taking the position of Secretary.
2. Gratitude Night – Discussion and details were worked out for the event. Liz S. volunteered to create a flyer that will be put in the minutes and on the website. There will be an AA-Al-Anon couple, as well as an Alateen speaker, and an Al-Anon adult child speaker. There was a discussion concerning gifts for the speakers and it was decided to present books and thank-you cards rather than gifts. Nancy and Vivian will choose books to give and will prepare the thank-you cards. Motion was also made to have four door prizes (*The Forum* subscriptions) rather than a raffle.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None



CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- 10/29 Trustee road trip – Doubletree by Hilton Hotel –Independence
- 11/1 or 11/8 Registration opens for Al-Anon International Convention in Albuquerque, New Mexico (more information to follow)
- ? Area World Service Conference (more information to follow)
- 4/20-23/23 World Service Conference (more information to follow)
- 6/29-7-2/23 2023 Al-Anon International Convention - Albuquerque, New Mexico, theme: "New Hopes, New Friends, Renewed Recovery"
- 8/4-6/23 Ohio State AA Conference, with Al-Anon participation – Dayton, Ohio



Motion was made to close the meeting at approximately 8:17 p.m., with the Lord's Prayer. The next meeting will be held on November 18, 2022, via Zoom. All are welcome to attend - Meeting ID is 847 9751 3760. or dial by phone 312-626-6799 followed by the meeting ID (serenity).

Respectfully submitted, Sheila C., Secretary

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TREASURER REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2022

Beginning Statement Balance:	\$34,644.89
Ending Statement Balance:	\$23,129.93

CD 1 #8191	\$30,778.39
CD 2 #3125	\$50,118.16

**BILLS:**

Rent:	\$495.00
Internet/Phone:	\$122.21
Sales Tax:	\$100.85
Per Diem:	\$285.00
Lit Orders:	\$1779.22
Lit Sales:	\$1379.29
Postage:	\$ 10.80
Office Supplies:	\$ 67.48
Picnic Deposit:	\$175.00 (shelter deposit for 2023)

**DONATIONS:**

WSO:	\$10,000.00
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**FROM:**

PayPal:	\$107.62
Phillips 66:	\$ 64.49
Group:	\$ 50.00