## ASIS BOARD MEETING DECEMBER 18, 2024-ZOOM

Present: Diana (Chairperson), Theresa (Corresponding Secretary), Peggy (Recording Secretary), Ed (Alateen Coordinator), Maureen (AA Liaison), Leon (Digital Services Coordinator), Laura (Website Coordinator), Judy F (Public & Institutional Speaking Coordinator), Judy O (Public Outreach Coordinator), Kathy (Post office Box Coordinator), Jennfier (Meeting List Coordinator) and Barbara (Treasurer).

**Absent**: Steve (Literature), Kim (Speaker's Exchange Coordinator) and Rose (Telephone Services Coordinator).

Guests: Matt and Mary Ellen

Diana opened the meeting at 7:01PM with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Diana then read the rules to the Board.

**Old Business:** A motion was made to pass the November Board Meeting minutes as is with no corrections. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously. The open positions on the Board as of 1/2025 are: Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Recording Secretary, Meeting List Coordinator, Liaison to NY South, Alateen Coordinator, Alanews, Choices, Hugs and Liaison to Nassau. The next item was the location for the Quarterly meetings in 2025. Diana reserved Thrive in Hauppauge for all four quarterlies. If the new board would like to change that location that could be discussed next year. Increasing donations for new groups was discussed last month. Barbara, Treasurer, suggested that this amount, for new groups, be increased to \$150. A motion was made and passed unanimously to increase this amount to \$150 from \$100.

**Proposed 2025 budget**: Barbara began by thanking Steve and Laura for their assistance with the proposed budget. Barbara presented this proposed budget to the Board for review and it will be voted on in January by the ISR's. The total projected inflow in 2024 without Hugs was \$7864 and in 2025- \$6155. Projected inflow with Hugs in 2024 was \$9209 and in 2025-\$7555. Total carryover in 2024 was \$1345 and in 2025-\$1400. Total projected budget credits in 2024 was \$10,423 and in 2025-\$10,400. Barbara then went through each Board member and their position and budget for 2024 and 2025. She pointed out all changes, if any, that were needed. Input from each Board member was welcome.

**Board Member reports**: Judy O (Public Outreach Coordinator) reported that she attended the Traditions workshop. A few pamphlets were taken. Jim C. asked if she could order 100 pamphlets concerning dual membership. He would like to distribute these in the AA community. Judy will be placing an order for this through Al-anon. Jim was also interested in another pamphlet that might bring a better understanding of the two fellowships. Judy will be working with Jim on this.

**Ed (Alateen Coordinator)** reported that AMIASes took part in presentations at both Cold Spring Harbor and Walt Whitman High School. There they spoke of the Alateen program and informed the students of how it worked through a Q & A session. The students were very responsive.

They also left books and literature at the school library. Suffolk AMIASes have been helping at the Manhattan Alateen meeting when needed. AMIASes continue to speak at anniversary meetings. Monthly flyers continue to be circulated and have been receiving positive feedback. Ed wanted to thank the small family of AMIASes he has had the pleasure of working with. Ed is ending his term as Alateen Coordinator. He has served on the board for 7 of the last 8 years. He said it has been an honor and a privilege to serve and it has helped in his recovery. Mary Ellen is going to be taking over Ed's position as of January and will be voted in at the next Quarterly meeting by the ISR's.

Judy F (Public & Institutional Speaking Coordinator) reported that the Holiday Potluck at her house on 12/8/24 was attended by about 20 people. It was a wonderful opportunity for fellowship and to thank the board members that have completed their three years of service on the board. Thus far 25 people have registered and about 20 people have co-led meetings. The following facilities have been confirmed and have team leaders: LICR-team lead-Leon, St. Charles Detox-team lead-Laurie B, Seafield-team lead-Judy F, Yaphank Men's Correctional Facility-team lead-Steve and Joe S, Yaphank Women's Correctional Facility-team lead-Judy F, East End Thrive-team lead-Judy F (starting 1/2025). Facility confirmed but in need of a team leader-Talbot House in Bohemia. Another facility interested but still not confirmed is the VA Hospital in East Northport-team lead-Joe S. Facilities visited by Meeting on Wheels this past month include: LICR, St. Charles Women's Detox, Seafield, Yaphank Men's and Women's Correctional Facilities. Facilities on the pipeline include: Phoenix House, Wellbridge, The Life Center and St. Charles Men's Detox. Lastly, there will be a Zoom Team meeting in January to share experiences and plan 2025 schedules. Spread the word. Text Judy at 631-742-9494.

Laura (Website Coordinator) reported that Carol from the Women in Peace meeting, who was at the November board meeting looking for support for a new Al-Anon group in Tanzania, emailed her a flyer to post on the website. The flyer mentioned a group called, Seeds of Hope, which was sponsoring the trip to Africa in January. Ultimately, it was discussed with Diana and Leon as to whether this violates Tradition 10. The group they're looking to start has not been registered. Laura sent Carol the guidelines to start a new group. As of 12/16/24 the paperwork to officially register this meeting as an Al-Anon meeting has been started. We can revisit any requests to support this group once it's started. Lastly, Laura brought up a concern regarding the board positions that are not filled. Should we have an auto response for emails? (Especially for Diana's position). Theresa said she will check the email each day and have any of these emails forwarded to her. (Corresponding Secretary)

**Maureen (AA Liaison)** reported that the Tradition (10-12) Workshop, with AA participation) took place last Saturday 12/14/24. Next year the quarterly workshops will go back to the Steps again. The AA Unity Breakfast will take place on 2/16/25 at the Huntington Hilton. The cost is \$44 per ticket. Matt C. (the upcoming AA Liaison) purchased a table of ten. Please contact Matt if you would like a ticket.

**Leon (Digital Services Coordinator)** presented the new on-line meeting list to the Board. This list can be distributed as a hard copy and it will be just as you see it on-line. Leon will continue

to work with Laura and Jennifer to update this meeting list when needed. The QR code is available to view the meeting list. It is a simple two step process.

**Jennifer (Meeting List Coordinator)** reported that there is a new meeting on Saturday night in Bayshore.

**Barbara (Treasurer)** first reported that Steve sold 29 books at Hugs.Barbara then presented a brief treasury report to the Board. The total budget for 2024 including Hugs was \$10,422. Activity YTD is \$8785. Activity for quarters 1-3 is \$7271. October-\$1265 and November -\$250. The approved increase for the AA Liaison budget is \$125. The approved increase for Public and Institutional Outreach is \$400. Contribution to AFG Inc increased to \$530 and same for NY South Assembly. The ASIS Projected vs. Actual Expenses was \$12,752. Activity YTD of \$10,130. Activity quarters 1-3 was \$8555. October \$929 and November \$645.

**Kim (Speaker's Exchange Coordinator)** came on briefly and posted a chat message. The Speaker Exchange has been updated for the winter. Volunteers are needed to sign up. A maximum of 3 speakers from each group. As of today only 1 group in Port Jefferson signed up. Please encourage your group to participate.

As the meeting was coming to a close Diana asked for a volunteer to fill in for Chairperson and/or Recording Secretary for next month's January Board and Quarterly Meeting. Barbara said she would step in as Chairperson for the January meeting. The Recording Secretary position is open for next month. Diana closed the meeting at 8:25PM with the Al-Anon Declaration. The next Board and Quarterly meeting will take place on January 15,2025 at Thrive. It will be a hybrid meeting.