

ONTARIO SOUTH ASSEMBLY (Area 86)

October 20, 21, 22, 2017

Hilton Mississauga Road

Mississauga, On.

“Our Members; Our Hope to the Future “

Friday, October 20, 2017 (evening session)

The meeting opened with a Moment of Silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Chairperson, welcomed everyone to this Assembly and asked those members who were attending Assembly for the first time to stand and also acknowledged Alateens in attendance and those just curious to see how the process works. Housekeeping announcements were made and the hours of operation for the Literature room were given.

The Al-Anon Traditions were read by [REDACTED] Concepts [REDACTED] and Warranties by [REDACTED]. Introduction of the OSA Executive, Advisors and Coordinators followed.

2017 Assembly Host Committee Chairperson, [REDACTED], extended a welcome to this Assembly and made some housekeeping announcements .

A workshop was held on “Assembly 101 DR and GR” led by [REDACTED]. LOC members meeting was held in another room at the hotel. AIS/Public Outreach meeting was held in another room at the hotel. There was an Al-Anon meeting held by members themselves who were interested in having a meeting.

Saturday, October 21, 2017 (morning session)

The meeting opened with a Moment of Silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Chairperson, [REDACTED], welcomed everyone to this Assembly and asked those voting members who were attending Assembly for the first time to stand and also acknowledged Alateens in attendance and those just curious to see how the process works.

The Al-Anon Traditions , Concepts and Warranties were read.

Introduction of the OSA Executive, Advisors and Coordinators followed.

2017 Assembly Host Committee Chairperson, [REDACTED], extended a welcome to this Assembly and made some housekeeping announcements.

Our Chairperson, provided information about post-its, literature sales room.

Deb C. explained the Voting Procedures by reading pages 10 & 11 from the pre-Registration package and Informed Group Decision Making.

Motion 1: Moved by [REDACTED] and seconded by [REDACTED] that “the Voting Procedure be accepted as presented.” Carried.

Timekeeper - [REDACTED].

Items for Consideration are topics, which affect members at the Area level requiring a decision beyond group or district autonomy. An Item for Consideration submitted will be taken up by the Executive at an upcoming meeting (November). These items are clarified as needed, that is, if it is deemed to be administrative in nature, the Executive will deal with it, and if it is a substantive issue requiring a motion to come to a future Assembly, it would be brought forward at AWSC (see Concept 3, pages 177-180 of the Al-Anon Alateen Service Manual).

Ballot Volunteers - [REDACTED]

Ask It Basket questions are questions where the answers have not been found in the Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual or Ontario South Policy and Guidelines Manual. Volunteers to answer the questions were [REDACTED]

Motion 2: Moved by [REDACTED] and seconded by [REDACTED] that “the Assembly 2016 Minutes be accepted as presented.” Carried.

Delegate’ Report - We received a Highlight sheet of “ 2017 Delegate’s Report; to the Ontario South Assembly ”. [REDACTED]. gave a Power Point presentation which is available on the Ontario South website at www.al-anon.alateen.on.ca.

The full World Service Conference 2017 Summary is available for purchase from Ontario South Literature Office. It is also posted and can be viewed for free on Ontario South website and World Service website.

www.al-anon.alateen.on.ca

www.al-anon.org

Debbie provided handouts of flow charts entitled “Empowering Ourselves by Using Al-Anon’s Legacies and Policies when seeking solutions”. We did a short exercise using this tool.

We were reminded that both of the above Al-Anon websites contain links to our Ontario South Area Guidelines (black binder that is held in each district) ; Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual (WSO manual with coils) and the World Service Conference Summary each year.

Break was held.

Delegate’s Report continued..

Treasurer’s Report - [REDACTED] reviewed the 2016 Financials and the 2017 October YTD Financials. Handouts were provided at Registration desk
Lunch was taken and reconvened at 1:30 with a Moment of Silence and the Serenity Prayer.

Budget - Was presented by [REDACTED].

Motion 3: Moved by [REDACTED] and seconded by [REDACTED] that the proposed budget for 2018 be adopted by Ontario South Assembly 2017. Carried.

Elections

174 Eligible voters 174, simple majority 88.

- 1) **Delegate** *elected by 2/3 majority*
- 2) **Treasurer** - elected by simple majority.
- 3) **Chairperson** -elected by simple majority.
- 4) **Secretary** - elected by simple majority.
- 5) **Alternate Delegate** - elected by simple majority.

REPORTS

Open Lines - [REDACTED] reminded us that anyone who wants an electronic copy is to leave your name and email with him and he will send you a copy. It is also available on website.

Public Outreach - [REDACTED]

Literature Distribution Centre - [REDACTED] - Please be mindful of hours of operation and all communication is to be through the office email please. (not personal email)

Literature Office Committee - [REDACTED] - Office closure of Literature Distribution Centre is Dec. 22nd to Jan 8th 2018. Please have patience with your newly opened LDC and new pricing of literature. Assembly 2016 voted to keep our literature office open and to price our literature according to its true cost; also to source and hire a new employee as well as find a new office location. This takes time to get established. Your LOC is monitoring postal costs and US dollar fluctuation. Discussions will be active and ongoing. Their desire is to create an operating manual for the LDC.

Forum - [REDACTED]

AAPP - [REDACTED]

Alateen - [REDACTED]

Archives - [REDACTED]

Group Records - [REDACTED]

Literature - [REDACTED]

Website- [REDACTED]

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Country Store Discussion

Presented by Alternate Delegate. Information provided in package.

2. Area Inventory

Presented by Delegate. Information provided in package.

3. Trillium Charter

Presented by two advisors.

**Motion 4: Moved by [REDACTED] and seconded by [REDACTED], that
“The Trillium Charter be amended to allow a three year trial period where Trillium could
be held in any part of Ontario South with the option of having it for less than three days.
” Carried.**

Ontario South Al-Anon/Alateen Assembly 2018 Will be held at Ambassador Hotel in Kingston and hosted by District 31.

Meeting closed at 6:00

Saturday, Oct 21, 2017 (evening session)

Assembly 201 wrap up with question/answer period .
Entertainment followed.

Sunday, Oct. 22, 2017

Chairperson,. opened the meeting with a Moment of Silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.
The Al-Anon Traditions were read by [REDACTED], Concepts by [REDACTED]
and Warranties by [REDACTED]

2017 Assembly Host Committee Chairperson, [REDACTED]., thanked everyone for coming and a special thank-you to all the volunteers that made this happen.

Ask-It-Basket: Answers were provided to the questions and will appear in the December issue of Open Lines.

Delegates Update - [REDACTED] provided us with WSO updates. This was followed with question and answer session.

Outgoing Executive Members - Gave a brief personal sharing of their service experiences.

An Open Mic followed.

the meeting ended at 11:00 with the Al-Anon Declaration.