



SENY Committee Meeting Minutes

August 3rd, 2026 | 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Area Officers	
Raj B.	Chair
Nisaa A.	Delegate
Jeanne C.	Alternate Delegate
Roy W.	Technology Officer
Justin K.	Registration Officer
Mike O.	Treasurer

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm

- SENY Statement of Purpose
- Approval of minutes from July committee meeting
 - Motion to accept, seconded, minutes approved

Area Officer Reports:

Registration Officer | Justin K.

Database and Portal Updates

- **System Migration:** Migration to registration.intoservice.info is complete. 1-on-1 walkthroughs and email support remain available for county/district web chairs.
- **Spanish Districts:** Coordinating secure service email access for Distritos Hispanos; meeting pending.
- **Database Alignment:** Counties using "SENY" email accounts must provide current rosters to ensure accurate database alignment.

Announcements

- **Special Assembly:** Early sign-in procedures will be in place; further details regarding the Friday night schedule will follow.

Action Items

- Finalize data cleanup for outstanding registration items and conduct a quarterly audit of trusted servant data.
- Complete final system optimizations and coordinate early sign-in logistics with the Host Committee.

Treasurer | Mike O.

Financial Standing & Prudent Reserve

- As of July 31, 2026, SENY's total cash on hand is \$149,373, representing 8 months of prudent reserve (down from 10.5 months / \$198,671 at the start of January 2026).
- The current reserve level rests at the upper limit of the SENY Spending and Budget Guidelines (7-8 months

standard float) and is unlikely to return to January 2026 peak levels.

Income & Expenses

- **Group Contributions:** Standing at \$76,669 (56% of projected \$137,500), which is essentially on track for seven-twelfths (58%) of the year.
- **Total Income:** Reflected at 42% overall because \$58,000 in committed prior-year funds was excluded from current income calculations.
- **Expenses:** Overall YTD expenses are at 57% (\$117,691 of projected \$224,450), which aligns with baseline expectations. Most excess funds carried over from prior years have now been spent, which will impact preparation for the 2027 budget.

Short-Term Goals & Upcoming Motions (October Committee Meeting)

- **Redistribution of Excess Funds:** Proposing redistribution of funds in excess of 8 months (or optionally 7 months) prudent reserve to GSO in accordance with guidelines, re-establishing regular support to GSO and right-sizing Area funds.
- **NERAASA Scholarship Language Revision:** Proposing updates to bring NERAASA scholarship spending guidelines into alignment with other discretionary events (establishing an available-funds basis and dollar cap, rather than the current mandatory/uncapped structure).
- *Note:* Both items will be presented as motions at the October Committee meeting; DCMs and committee members are urged to ensure quorum.

Long-Term Financial Structure Explorations

- Gathering ideas from NYSIW and other Area Treasurers to strengthen financial oversight, including:
 - Exploring a financial oversight committee.
 - Considering dividing Treasurer functions (similar to Area 50).
 - Instituting a requirement that financial guideline amendments be presented at one meeting prior to voting at the next.

Technology Officer | Ray

Key Updates

- **Website Outage:** Resolved. The outage lasted approximately 48 hours due to a host provider glitch.
- **Root Cause:** Awaiting a definitive explanation from the vendor.
- **Project Status:** The CD history migration was delayed by the outage and is now rescheduled for the coming week.

Action Items

- **Vendor:** Secure detailed root cause analysis from the host provider.
- **Data:** Execute the SENY history migration within one week.

Key Updates

- **Website Outage:** The website experienced approximately 48 hours of downtime.
- **Status:** Resolved. The outage was attributed to a technical glitch with the host provider.
- **Objective:** Actively pursuing a definitive explanation from the hosting provider regarding the root cause of the incident.
- **Project Updates:** The migration of CD history to the designated host was temporarily delayed due to the recent website outage.
- **Outcome:** Migration is now scheduled to proceed within the next week.

Action Items/Next Steps

- **Vendor Follow-up:** Continue efforts to secure a detailed report from the host provider regarding the cause of the recent downtime.
- **Data Migration:** Execute the planned migration of CD history to the new host.

Chair | Raj B.

New York State Informational Workshop (NYSIW)

- **Recap:** Expressed appreciation to Event Chair Annabel and her committee for an exceptional workshop. A visiting Area Chair called it one of the finest NYSIWs they had attended.

August Assembly Leadership & Logistics

- **Chair Absence:** Alternate Area Chair Jeannie will chair the virtual August Assembly in Raj's absence.

August Assembly Agenda

- Consideration of two Proposed Agenda Items (PAIs).
- Motions from Jim's Ad Hoc (Rotating Assembly) Committee.
- 2026 Area Convention Final Report presentation.

Alternate Delegate | Jeanne C.

Summer Activity Updates

- **Hispanic Committees:** The July Assemblée in Brooklyn featured productive discussions on GSR training, the role of Trustees, and the spirit of rotation. Upcoming events include the Hispanic International Convention (Sept 4–6, Omaha, NE), the Hispanic Archives history workshop (Aug 26, Bronx), and the Area 49 Hispanic Convention (Oct 31–Nov 1, Melville, LI).
- **YPAA Activities:** Young People in AA have been highly active this summer. Highlights include the LICYPAA Luau, a LNYYPAA campout, and an upcoming LNYYPAA Trivia Night (Aug 21, Rockland). NYCYPAA is currently establishing its structure and coordinating with various local Share-A-Day events.

Area Inventory Preparation

- **Status:** Preparation has begun for the Area Inventory at the November Assembly, which will be facilitated by Denise, a past Delegate from Area 50 (Western New York).
- **Resources:** To assist in the "searching and fearless" process, a folder of previous area inventories has been provided.
- **Next Steps:** Please review previous inventories to assess our progress. She is currently working to ensure these documents are available in Spanish.

Delegate | Nisaa

General Service Board Weekend Highlights:

- **Reports & PAI Grid:** Final Conference reports will soon be available for purchase. Financial updates and the Public Awareness Item (PAI) grid were reviewed over the weekend, with further details forthcoming.
- **The "Everything AA" App:** The Board is carefully planning how to share acquisition cost details. A.A. is non-litigious and aims to prevent outside entities from commercializing A.A. intellectual property, which requires a deliberate strategy and time for platform updates.

Grapevine / La Viña Updates:

- **Grapevine Area Chair Meeting:** A virtual meeting is set for August 11, featuring staff/board introductions, a Publisher report from Chris C. on engagement and self-support, discussion topics, and an open Q&A. Districts and groups with active Grapevine chairs are asked to share this information.

Panel 77 Elections Preparation (Action Items Before September 19):

- **Verify Roster49:** Members should check their voting rights and information at roster49.intoservice.info to prevent assembly morning delays. Contact district registrars or registration@aaseny.org for assistance.
- **Coordination:** GSRs and DCMs should coordinate ahead of time on voting responsibilities.

Candidates and Standing Procedures:

- **Roll Call & Nominations:** Per a long-standing 1960 custom, candidates are drawn from the committee roll call where members answer "available" or "not available." Eligible individuals may also add their names from the floor. There are no traditional nominations from the floor, and standing in absentia is not permitted (Service Handbook, p. 46).

Voting Procedures & Structure:

- **Process:** The Third Legacy Procedure is used to avoid factionalism and ensure broad representation.
- **Composition:** Voting members include GSRs, DCMs, DMCs, Standing Committee chairs, Officers, and Past Delegates (alternates vote only when their principal is absent). In-person attendees receive voting packets via QR code/volunteers; online voters receive email ballot links. A 3-minute Q&A follows each candidate's service presentation.

Upcoming Resources & Contact Information:

- **Guides:** The Quick Guide and full Voter Guide will be posted at aaseny.org/delegate under the *Panel 77 Elections* tab.
- **Contacts:** For election inquiries, email delegate@aaseny.org; for registration questions, use registration@aaseny.org.

Committee Chair Reports

Ad Hoc Committee Reports

Northeast Regional AA Service Assembly (NERASAA) Chair | Jo Ann M,

- **Event Planning and Logistics**
 - **Planning Meetings:** The next planning meeting is scheduled for Sunday, August 9, at 5:00 PM.
 - **Stepping Stones Visits:** Contracts have been signed and confirmed. Three time slots are available (9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, and 1:00 PM). The goal is to have the final bus return by 3:30 PM, with the welcome/overview program starting at 4:00 PM.
 - **Program/Schedule:** The overall schedule is set. Saturday afternoon will feature a roundtable discussion to allow day-trip attendees to participate. The banquet schedule is also finalized.
 - **Registration:** Registration is not yet open. A clearer timeline for the launch will be determined during the Sunday meeting.

Financials & Operations

- **Accommodations:**
 - **Marriott:** Currently monitoring room fill rates before requesting additional blocks.
 - **Hampton Inn:** 25 rooms have been blocked for Friday and Saturday nights as an overflow measure. 50 rooms remain blocked for Thursday at the Marriott.
- **Budget:** A preliminary budget has been developed and is being refined by Tom. It is expected to be finalized this Sunday.

- **Meals:** The proposal is for an "all-or-none" meal plan (Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast/lunch, Sunday breakfast).
- **Volunteers:** Additional volunteers are needed for the event. Please encourage interested members to attend the next planning meeting or sign up to volunteer at the event.

SENY Convention Chair | Ronnie B.

- **Kickoff Meeting & Flyer:** A virtual kickoff meeting is scheduled for August 16 at 2:00 PM (ID: 841-2020-260-4063, Passcode: 522KQX), with the event flyer posted on the SENY website.
- **Convention Logistics:** Plans are underway to inspect the storage facility and coordinate with Justin on the convention website, with further updates to follow after the kickoff meeting.

Standing Committee Chairs

Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) | Annabel

- **Meetings & Workshop Planning:** Holds monthly committee meetings on Zoom on the first Wednesday of each month at 5:30 PM, with a dedicated WhatsApp group for members. The August 5 meeting will focus on planning an upcoming workshop titled *"To the Employer."*
- **Suffolk Share-A-Thon Participation:** CPC will participate in the Suffolk Share-A-Thon (tentatively September 22), featuring a committee-led panel presentation and an informational table for the duration of the event.

Accessibilities Chair | Matt F:

- **Upcoming Workshop & Share-A-Day:** Hosting an Accessibilities workshop on the afternoon of October 17 at Advent Lutheran Church (Broadway on the Upper West Side) featuring three speakers, food, and fellowship focusing on inside vs. outside issues. Will also attend the Rockland County Share-Day the following day (October 18).
- **NYSIW Recap & Service Availability:** Presented at NYSIW and attended a District 614 (Spanish-language) concept workshop. Due to a new job with Saturday hours, Matt will be unable to attend upcoming assemblies but will continue leading committee meetings and coordinating accessibility services.

Intergroup Liaison | Charlene B.

- **NYSIW Coverage & Gratitude:** Joined the NYSIW panel virtually, expressing appreciation to Karen (Nassau Intergroup) for hosting the table and Chris for sitting on the in-person panel in her absence.
- **Upcoming Meeting:** The committee did not meet over the summer; the next meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 14 at 8:00 PM, with details posted on the SENY calendar.

Grapevine Chair | Bill McC.

- **July Events, Literature Sales & Banking:** Attended NYSIW (selling 242 books) and the Hispanic District's Asamblea in Brooklyn (selling 255 books, including Jesus's standing order); plans to restock Hispanic literature, working with Treasurer Mike to transition funds to the new bank account, and offered to support Matt's upcoming Accessibilities workshop on Broadway.

Treatment and Facilities Chair | Rob Mc.

- **NYSIW Interactive Workshop & Outreach:** Presented an innovative live-action role play (LARP) at NYSIW simulating facility meeting chairing and 12-step calls to demystify Twelfth Step work; available to cooperate with groups and counties to facilitate similar workshops at Share Days, anniversaries, or breakfasts.
- **Facility Service Survey:** Continuing to push the ongoing intergroup facility survey (launched in June) to identify which groups and individuals are currently carrying out facility commitments post-pandemic and bridge the gap with local intergroups.
- **Bridging the Gap (BTG) & Intergroup Collaboration:** Attending NY Intergroup BTG meetings (averaging 5–7 calls/month) and commended Suffolk County Intergroup's active program (~31 calls/month); emphasized the critical need for BTG to connect individuals leaving facilities with AA contacts in their home towns across county lines.

DCMC Reports

Bronx/Upper Manhattan DCMC | Shawn K.

- **Upcoming Events & Workshops:** Planning the BxUM Share-A-Day for September 26 at Holy Family Church, the annual Spiritual Breakfast on October 11 at Marina Del Rey (over 290 tickets sold), and a *Joy of Service* workshop on November 14 (location TBD).

Sullivan DCMC | John L:

- **NYSIW Recap & Bylaws Completion:** Commended the New York State Informational Workshop and announced the completion of Sullivan County's Articles of Association and Bylaws, which will be distributed to county groups.
- **October Share-A-Day Planning:** Currently in the planning stages for a county Share-A-Day targeted for October.

Staten Island DCMC | Ronnie B.

- **County Governance & Events:** Voting on an updated, simplified county handbook in September, with upcoming events including the Staten Island Barbecue (Sept 19 at Wolfe's Pond Park), Share-A-Day (Oct 10 at Moore Catholic High School), and Spiritual Breakfast (Nov 29 at Hilton Garden Inn, \$45/ticket).
- **Tradition Workshop Series:** Successfully launched the first of a four-week workshop series on applying the Twelve Traditions to personal life, featuring guest speaker Joanne from Queens.

Queens Alt DCMC | Malini M.

- **Relocation & NYSIW:** Moved assemblies to St. Margaret's in Middle Village after 20+ years; thanked NYSIW organizers.
- **Upcoming Events:** County Inventory (Aug 31); Cluster 307/308 "*Aging in Recovery Part 2*" (Sept 17); Spiritual Breakfast (Oct 3 @ Russo's on the Bay); District 305 Workshop "*How Do Home Groups Get Their Information?*" (Nov 14).
- **Elections:** In-person county elections scheduled for Oct 26 (qcgso.org).

Putnam DCMC | Hank

- **Updates & Newsletter:** Hosted Aug 11 committee meeting with SENY guest speaker. Newsletter 3rd edition deadline: Aug 15.
- **Events & Elections:** Unity Breakfast (Oct 18 @ Centennial GC); preparing for upcoming panel rotation and elections.

Suffolk DCMC | Heather K.:

- **Events & Share-A-Thon:** Softball game (Aug 8); General Service meeting (Sept 18); GS orientation table at Intergroup Share-A-Thon (Sept 20).
- **Assemblies & Breakfast:** Big Meeting (Oct 3), Elections Assembly (Oct 16), Inventory Assembly (Nov 20), Unity Breakfast (Feb 7).
- **Admin & Motions:** Disposed of old office filing cabinets. Passed a motion requiring the Recording Secretary to contemporaneously update the county group conscience document with newly passed motions.

Nassau DCMC | JR

- **NYSIW, Meetings & Vacancies:** Attended NYSIW with a new GSR. Next county meeting is Aug 17 (orientation @ 7:00 PM, meeting @ 7:30 PM). Seeking a replacement for a DCM who stepped down due to health reasons (was covering Districts 202, 203, 213, and 216).
- **Big Meeting:** Appointed David (DCM for Districts 204/205/206) as Big Meeting Chair; event targeted for November (date and location TBD).

Manhattan Alt DCMC | George B.

- **District Events:** District 620 hosting the 8th Annual Graduate Cookout at Morningside Park (family-friendly event).
- **Share-A-Day Planning:** Manhattan Share-A-Day planning committee meeting scheduled for Aug 16 (3:00–4:00 PM); Share-A-Day event set for Sept 26 at Bayard Rustin High School on 18th Street.

Rockland DCMC | James:

- **Governance & Bylaws:** Updating county bylaws in-person with an appointed chairperson leading the meetings so the DCMC can participate from the floor.
- **Events & Workshops:** Traditions Play & Workshop on Sept 26 (2:00–6:00 PM); Rockland County Intergroup Share-A-Day on Oct 18 (9:00 AM–5:00 PM).

Distritos Hispanos | Marcos C. (Translated from Spanish):

- **District Assembly:** Expressed gratitude to the Area for the opportunity to serve. Reminded the body that the upcoming Hispanic District Committee Assembly will take place on Sunday, August 16, in Manhattan County. Address details will be sent to Rosa for distribution.
- **District Picnic:** Planning a district picnic for Saturday, September 26, weather permitting. The flyer is nearly complete and will be shared with the Area; all are invited to join.
- **Hispanic Convention:** Reminded the Area that the Hispanic Convention is coming up soon on October 31 and November 1; all are invited to attend.

Motion to close. Seconded. Meeting adjourned with AA's Declaration of Unity.