

# CJI AGENDA – November 2016

## 1. Open with the Serenity Prayer –

**2. Welcome-** As we extend the heart and hand of fellowship to those who still suffer, let us be mindful of OA's Unity with Diversity Policy, which respects our differences, yet unites us in the solution to our common problem. Whatever problem you may have with food, you are welcome at this meeting.

-We strive for consensus, fairness, and an informed group conscience within the spirit of the Traditions and Concepts, loosely following Robert's Rules. Majority rule is not the same as group conscience.

-Turn off all cell phones and texting devices at this time so that we can devote our full attention to working together for a positive and productive meeting.

-Please raise your hand to be recognized. No crosstalk.

**4. Tradition of the month –** 11. Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, films, television, and other public media of communication.

- We publicize OA by providing facts, such as information about the OA recovery program and meeting times and locations.
- We do not publish before-and-after photos in an effort to “sell” our program.
- We do not use last names or faces when we talk about OA in the media. We keep the focus on OA, not on individual members. There are no stars or celebrities in OA.
- We share our own experience, strength, and hope when talking to a prospective member, recognizing that others have a right to choose whether they want to try OA for themselves.

**5. Introduction of attendees-** (and presentation of newcomer's packet as needed).

## 6. Review the minutes of Last Month

**7. The Pamphlet Project –** OA Handbook pgs. 28 How to Group's Issues get resolved.

## 8. Intergroup Principles-

- A. OA has no power structure, only a service structure.
- B. Intergroup “has no power to enforce rules on OA groups or individual members.” (OA 12 & 12, p 119)
- C. Disagreement does not equal personal rejection.
- D. Diversity can be our strength.
- E. If we all agreed on everything, we wouldn't all be necessary.
- F. Keep our discussions within the spirit of “I love you, but I disagree with you”.
- G. When the group conscience is reached, let there be unity.

## Strategic Goals

1. Help members strengthen their recovery.
2. Increase the number of sponsors.
3. Increase the number of newcomers.
4. Increase the retention of newcomers.
5. Help those in relapse.
6. Continue our Outreach to the Public and healthcare professionals.
7. Inspire people to give more service.

## 9. Officer Reports-

Chair- Christina — Hillsborough Step Workshop, The Mini Project, Meditation Workshop,

Anniversaries - Thursday Cranbury 11/19/2007 9 years, Tuesday Cranford 12/11/1991 25 years, Thursday

Freehold 12/22/2001 15years, Monday Bradley Beach 12/30/1977 39years

Vice-Chair- - Mike M - New Telephone Service, Region 7 Convention

Treasurer- Bobbi - Budget Discussion

Recording Secretary - Sima

Corresponding Secretary - Election of Corresponding Secretary

**10. Committee Reports-**

-Web-Site- Kim B. –

-Today Newsletter- Brenda –

-Professional Outreach/PI- Mike J, -

Young People-

-12<sup>th</sup> Step Within-

**Marathons-**

a. IDEA DAY- Brenda S.

b. Unity Day-Christina

**-Retreats and Events**

a. TWC- Lee Ann

b. Winter Dreams- Kim B.

**10. 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition –WSBC travel expense**

*Working & Living the Program Events*

Nov 4-6 – Region 7 Convention, Rehoboth Beach, DE

November 12 – Cranford Step Workshop

November 19— IDEA: International Day Experiencing Abstinence

November 23 – Westfield Attitude of Gratitude Meeting

November 24 – Thanksgiving Day AM meeting - Edison

December 12 - 12 Step Within Day

January 13-15 – Winter Dreams Retreat at St. Mary's Abbey Retreat

Center – Morristown, NJ

**11. New Business-**

1. Congratulation to the New R7 Chair
2. R 7 Reports
3. CJI Fundraiser
  - T-Shirt –Shirts have come in
4. Region 7 Meditation Workshop
5. Nominations for Region 7 Reps
6. Nominations for WS Rep

**12. News from Groups/Announcements:**

No Meeting Friday 11/11 at Friday United Methodist Church in New Providence

Red Bank will have their meeting Thanksgiving Evening

No Meeting in Hillsborough – Thanksgiving Day

**13. Concept of the Month - 11.** Trustee administration of the World Service Office should always be assisted by the best standing committees, executives, staffs and consultants.

**14. Adjourn with the Serenity Prayer**

General Note: -Please remember to send all changes for group meeting times, locations, formats, contact persons, new meetings or cancelled meeting to the newsletter at **CJISecretary@yahoo.com**.

**15. Parking Lot:**

**Our next Meeting is:  
December 9, 2016**