Illowa Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes August 3, 2020

Web Meeting called to order by Deb P and continued by Monique M

ATTENDANCE:

Groups Present: Present were, Bettendorf, Big Book Study, Blandine, Marquette, New Beginnings, Sisters in Sobriety, Three Legacies, West End.

<u>Officers and Chairs Present</u>: Chair – Monique; Secretary – Deb P, Treasurer - Al B, Telephone Chair Julie B, Office Manager – Lisa W, Web Guy, Randy C. District 9 Jennifer. Events Chair Absent

Motion made, seconded, and passed unanimously to accept June minutes.

Treasurer's Report 8/3/20

INCOME

<u>EXPENSES</u>	
Totals	<u>\$1,450.55</u>
Prudent Reserve Interest	\$0.92
Events	\$0.00
Sales	\$784.25
Contributions	\$665.38

Totals	\$2,482.89
Accounting services	\$0.00
Literature	\$560.74
Events	\$0.00
General	\$1,922.15

TOTAL INCOME MINUS EXPENSES	(\$1,032.34)

ACCOUNTS

Totals	\$7,276.98
	\$0.00
Savings (Prudent Reserve)	\$4,654.66
Checking	\$2,622.32

Office Manager's Report

Hello everyone, The office continues to remain closed until further notice. If anyone needs literature or other materials, please contact me at 309-764-1016 and we can make arrangements for a pickup. I would appreciate people wearing masks while in the office – if you don't have one, I have some available there. Thank you. In addition, please keep in mind that I am looking for volunteers to man the office for 3.5 hours one morning a week once we do open. This is perfect service work for people who are retired or not working mornings. Contact me if interested.

We would appreciate if people and groups are able to contribute to Intergroup, as our checking account will probably only cover one more month of expenses if there is no income coming in. We have been trying to build up our prudent reserve to cover six months' expenses the last few years, so we would hate to have to tap into it before we get there. Please take this back to your groups!!! We take cash, checks, and PayPal. Thank you.

Call counts for July were 1 12-step, 66 information, 17 visitors, and 0 Al-anon.

I have printed some new paper schedules showing which meetings are open and which are closed for now. However, the online meetings are not listed there. The most up-to-date meeting information can be found on www.aaquadcities.org.

Our business meetings will continue to be held online/by phone until further notice. Check our website for current information. Due to the Labor Day holiday on Sept. 7, our next business meeting will be held on Sept. 14.

Stay safe, everyone! In love and service, Lisa W.

Telephone Chair report / August 3, 2020

Hello everyone! First, there are still 2 open shifts on the phone rotation! Answering the Intergroup phone is a great way to do Twelve Step work! See aaquadcities.org for the flyer on the Service Opportunities page. The openings are:

- 3rd Saturday of the month 5:20pm-9:00am
- 5th Sunday of the month 9:00am-5:30pm---Deb P volunteered ☺

Second, a big thank you goes out to Mel for transferring the phones this past weekend while I was out of town, and also to Lisa for taking the phone during the week, 9am-5:30pm.

And last, I wanted to get a consensus about how this group/body feels about me investigating other options regarding how we cover the phones on nights and weekends. I believe this has been visited periodically over the years, and in the past it has been decided to keep our live volunteers answering the phone instead of going to an answering service (cost) or a Voice Mail message. I think I'd need to bring this up under NEW Business, though. So, with that, thank you, and...

In love and service, Julie

Webmaster Report

Hello Everyone, we had 2,629 users total but 1,453 actual users that were on the site for more than 30 sec. The Meeting Guide Page was the most visited page. We did have a spike on Saturday the 18th, I'm not sure if there was some sort of event in town but we had 3 times the number of visits.

That's all I have until next month.

In Love and Service Randy C.

GROUP REPORTS:

Bettendorf Group:

Bettendorf has resumed its full meeting schedule and retains one Zoom meeting on Saturdays at 8 AM. In general, attendance is about half of the pre-COVID volume. To date, we have not resumed speaker meetings, which were historically on the first Sunday 8PM meeting. Bettendorf will hold its annual picnic on September 13th at the Bettendorf Bandshell. There is a notice on the Intergroup site.

Thanks, Frank

Big Book Study:

The BBS group is still meeting via Zoom through August! We are just taking it month by month it seems and having regular chats with the church. If anything changes, we will update the aaquadcities.org website, but for now, Zoom is our meeting place!

Our meetings are on Tuesdays at 6:30pm, the join info is on the aaquadcities.org website.

We are currently in the chapter, The Family Afterward, and it's so refreshing and powerful to hear others share their experience, strength and hope on this topic! Join us for a really good meeting with a great group of friends!

In love and service, Julie

OLD BUSINESS: District 90 needs a new liaison; do not need to live in Illinois to be a liaison. Please bring this back to your group; meeting meets the evening after the Intergroup meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: A new District 9 liaison will be needed; Jennifer regretfully will be unable to continue due to her work schedule. Please bring this back to your group.

Discussion was held regarding Telephone Chair request to review options for the Intergroup Phone. Agreed Julie may review and bring back to the Intergroup Meeting findings/suggestions of other options.

Discussion was held re: having an Intergroup fundraiser basked on a group sobriety countdown. Agreed Julie and Deb will create and Randy will assist with web set-up.

The next Intergroup meeting will be held Monday, September 14th at 6pm via zoom video/phone conferencing.