Illowa Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes May 3, 2021

Virtual Meeting called to order by Monique M at 6:02pm

ATTENDANCE:

Officers present: Chair/Monique M.; Secretary/Julie B.; Treasurer/Al B.; Office Manager/Lisa W.; District 9 Liaison/Erica B.; Webmaster/Randy C.

Groups present: 8n8 AA, Bettendorf, Big Book Study, Blandine, Courage to Change, Geneseo, Henry County Group (welcome Craig!), Marquette, New Beginnings, Three Legacies, West End (If I missed anyone, please let me know!)

Motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the April minutes as published in the newsletter.

Officers' Reports:

Treasurer's Report given by Al B:

INCOME	
Contributions	\$3,863.71
Sales	\$2,013.73
Other types of income	\$92.70
Prudent Reserve Interest	\$0.65
Totals	\$5,970.79
EXPENSES	
General	\$1,837.83
Events	\$158.00
Literature	\$1,379.67
Website	\$139.04
Totals	\$3,514.54
TOTAL INCOME MINUS EXPENSES	\$2,456.25
ACCOUNTS	
Checking	\$3,798.15
Savings (Prudent Reserve)	\$5,458.42
Totals	\$9,256.57

Office Manager Report

Hello everyone,

The office is open by appointment only at this time. Call Lisa at 309-764-1016 from 9-5:30 Monday through Friday to make arrangements to purchase literature and/or chips.

As discussed last month, I donated 10% (\$158) of what we made at our Anniversary Event this year to Mike M. from St. Louis who provided the Zoom room and contact info for all the speakers, recorded the event, etc. He was grateful for the donation.

The treasurer, Al B., and I did the quarterly payroll tax reports last week.

Call counts for April were 2 12-step, 49 information, 16 visitors, 2 Al-anon, and 7 texts. Julie B. was nice enough to continue transferring the phones in April even though her phone chair term was over, but we really need a telephone chair ASAP so that we can continue to have our great 24-hour phone line that is always answered by an alcoholic. Please spread the word and consider doing some service work, as that is what keeps us sober.

Our next business meeting will be on Zoom on June 7, 2021. Information on how to join will be on the website a few days before the meeting.

In love and service, Lisa W. Office Manager

Telephone Chair - position open

From Julie B: Just noting that Lisa transferred the phone last weekend. I have not heard of anyone interested in the position since last month. Since the position hasn't been filled, the officers will be taking on the duties. If one officer of Intergroup takes one weekend and another takes the next weekend, it might not seem so overwhelming. If no one comes forward we may need to consider other options again for how we handle our after-hours phone service. Please direct anyone interested in the position to the aaquadcities.org website in the Service Opportunities page for an overview of the duties.

Events – position open

Newsletter - absent, no report

District 9 liaison

Good afternoon!

- -Treasurer report ending balance was 6431.93
- -Conference at Storm Lake June 4-6 A Vision For You. All GSR are encouraged to go. There are people wanting to carpool.
- -Looking for a man with badge access to Scott Country Jail to speak to the male inmates. Contact Jennifer Rice (Park has that info)
- -District 9 Mini Event Serenity Through Service- July 10th 12-3

Looking for committee members

Virtual event

AA speaker, panel of people to answer questions and Alanon speaker. participation needed for this event.

Contact Kevin K 563-505-4925 k.kintz@mchsi.com

- -June District meeting has been moved to June 13th @1030
- -July District meeting has been moved to July 11th @1030

-District 9 has a Podcast committee that needs volunteers. Great service work. This podcast will have recorded anniversaries, speaker meetings, mini events, etc. Committee Chair Christy P (Blandine Group) 563-275-0640 – 1050369.1956.blandine.gsr@gmail.com

Thank you and have a blessed day, Erica B District 9/illiowa intergroup liaison

District 90 liaison – position open

Web report: Hello Everyone, we had 2,004 users total but 1,237 actual users that were on the site for more than 30 sec. The 6-month average is 1,330 which would allow swings from 1200 to 1400, so this month was a low swing. The most visited pages were the Meeting Guide, the Virtual Meetings Page, and then Events, in that order. We didn't have any noticeable spikes. The busiest time for usage has definitely moved from 5pm to 4pm. I was on vacation last week and we realized I need to get back to letting Lisa do more of the website updates. I started doing everything again when the pandemic started, to keep it simple, however, now things are back to a normal pace we can get back to training.

That's all I have until next month. In Love and Service Randy C.

Group reports

Bettendorf: Gratefully meetings continue to be in-person. Additionally, there is a mask only meeting once per week on Sunday afternoon, 1:00.

Attendance appears to be increasing based on contributions, as things continue to open up. A few newcomers each month coming in with members and some from the Abbey if they are local. First quarter Intergroup contribution of \$1000.00.

I continue to relay information regarding Intergroup open positions, Events Chair, District 90 Liaison and especially the Phone Chair, stressing the importance of our primary purpose of carrying the message and responsibilities of having the hand of AA available anytime someone is in need. We had interest in the Phone Chair position who asked for a copy of Julie B.'s duties description, which I had with me to share. -Bob

Big Book Study: still meeting on Zoom as the church is not allowing us to meet there yet. We hope to have some updates from the church the middle of this month. We have finished the chapter To Employers and have started A Vision for You! If you're not doing anything on a Tuesday night at 6:30, please join us! In love and service, Julie B.

New Beginnings- Hello Everyone, I regret to report that the meetings are still closed to the Public, so keep them in your prayers. Randy C

Three Legacies: 3 legacies is still holding 3 meetings a week via Zoom on Tuesdays at 8 PM, Thursdays at 630 PM, and Saturday 9 AM. The meeting ID and password is the same for all meetings. We still haven't heard anything from the church about when we can come back for in person meetings. In love and service, Katie A., 3 Legacies Intergroup Rep

No other written reports were submitted

Old Business

Open positions-Telephone Chair, Events Chair, District 90 Liaison;

As stated in the Office manager's report, the donation was made to Mike M. (10% of the donations from the Intergroup Event).

Monique reminded everyone that the telephone chair position is still open and is an important position. Last year the telephone chair gave other options and the consensus was that members want a live person/AA Member to answer the phone. Please continue to announce the position at your meetings. Julie B mentioned telephone chair duties can be found on the aaquadcities.org website. Please consider downloading and printing a copy to post on your bulletin boards or put with other announcements.

New Business

Craig K offered to take the district 90 liaison. A motion was made to nominate Craig for the District 90 Liaison, it was seconded and passed.

7th Tradition – Checks can be mailed to the office or donations can be made online via PayPal to illowaintergroup@yahoo.com

All reports need to be e-mailed to the secretary as soon as possible if they are to be included in the Intergroup minutes.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 6:50pm