

Illowa Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes / July 12, 2021

Virtual Meeting called to order by Monique M at 6:07pm

Attendance:

Officers present: Chair/Monique M.; Co-chair/Mike C., Secretary/Julie B.; Treasurer/Al B.; Office Manager/Lisa W.; District 90/Craig K., Webmaster/Randy C.

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

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

Officers' report:

Treasurer's report given by Al B.:

**Treasurer's Report
07/12/21**

INCOME

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|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Contributions | \$945.00 |
| Sales | \$587.40 |
| Other types of income | |
| Prudent Reserve Interest | \$0.67 |
| Totals | <u><u>\$1,533.07</u></u> |

EXPENSES

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|------------------------|---------------------------------|
| General | \$1,859.88 |
| Uncategorized Expenses | |
| Literature | \$216.84 |
| Accounting Expenses | |
| Totals | <u><u>\$2,076.72</u></u> |

TOTAL INCOME MINUS EXPENSES **(\$543.65)**

ACCOUNTS

| | |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Checking | \$1,408.38 |
| Savings (Prudent Reserve) | \$6,157.92 |
| Totals | <u><u>\$7,566.30</u></u> |

Office Manager's Report: Hello everyone,

The office is finally open every day after 16 months of being closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Our new office hours are 9-5:30 Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and 12:30 -5:30 on Tuesdays and Thursdays. I am looking for a new Friday morning volunteer so let me know if you can help.

We are still in need of a telephone chair to do the phone transfers on the weekends and a few weekday mornings. For those wondering why we don't switch to an answering service:

1. After much research by the previous phone chair, this was taken back to the groups last year, and the groups opted to keep things the way they are, as it is important to have an alcoholic answering the phone.
2. We do not have the funds to pay anyone to answer our phone.

The events chair position is also open. This is an important position as our events are one of three ways we fund the Intergroup Office (others are literature sales and contributions). You can have help by forming committees for various duties. Please call Lisa at the office (12:30-5:30 M-F) if interested in any of these service positions.

Please be sure to send any meeting changes and flyers to me at illowaintergroup@yahoo.com so I can update the files in the office and send the information to Randy for the website.

Call counts for June were 0 12-step, 50 information, 11 visitors, 0 Al-anon, and 6 texts. Our next business meeting will August 2, 2021 at 6 p.m. In love and service, Lisa W. Office Manager

Telephone Chair – position open

Events – position open

Newsletter: absent/no report

District 9 liaison – (absent) report was by submitted by Erica and read by Lisa:

-can u keep the podcast voting up on the intergroup website open until at least the next meeting. GSRs would like to report back to their groups and remind people to vote

-Scott county jail IS open for meetings now. Men and women volunteers are needed. Great opportunity for service work!!

**Wednesday 7-8 womens meeting. **Thursdays 11-1215 mens meeting

Contact Vicki F. if interested or with any questions vfiliatreau28@hotmail.com

-lots of questions/concerns/talk about the open telephone chair. wondered if theres been discussion on “ring central service”

-instagram has a new account for grapevine—AA grapevine Magazine is how to search the Instagram page

-Volunteers for speakers at rosecrance treatment center needed. For more information please contact Jaclyn T [jmac1@aol.com](mailto:jsmac1@aol.com). She'll discuss requirements when people reach out and are interested.

-District 9 still has P.I. chair and literature chair open

-District 9s next business meeting Aug 1st @1030..meeting is hybrid

Thanks for your time! Love and service, Erica B, Intergroup liaison (district 9)

District 90 liaison- no report submitted

Web report- Hello Everyone, we had 2,103 users total but 1,169 actual users that were on the site for more than 30 sec. We are still trending down, however, anything above 900 is great. The most visited pages were as usual, the Meeting Guide, the Virtual Meetings Page, and then Events, in that order. We didn't have any noticeable spikes and the busiest time for usage is still 4pm. The Podcast Information Page had 43 visits but only 6 actually opened the Proposal Information. The poll had 9 votes; 8 interested, 1 not interested. We are having some Hybrid Meetings popping up and the Meeting Guide Authors are working on some changes to display that information as one meeting, currently it is 2 separate entries, so I will have more on that next month. Keep checking the Events Page for any type of Group Announcements. That's all I have until next month. In Love and Service Randy C.

Group reports:

8n8 AA: Hello, Desiree from the 8n8 here. We are looking people that would be interested in chairing a meeting, either in the morning or evening. They can be a permanent chair person or just a fill in for those of us that currently chair are sick, on vacation ect. If interested, please attend our business meeting Friday, July 16th at 6:30pm <https://zoom.us/j/6591910636>
In Love and Service, Desiree K

Bettendorf: We are excited to report meeting attendance continues to grow with a fair amount of members returning to in-person meetings as well as a good number of newcomers. What a blessing!

My report to the Bettendorf group included the Intergroup's suggestion that we might start thinking about ideas to get more of our members to come back to in-person meetings.

Bethany made a motion to continue announcing Intergroup's need to fill the open phone chair position. The motion was seconded and we continued to announce that opening for a couple weeks. A flyer continues to be displayed on our Intergroup's bulletin board.

The District 9 Online event was announced for July 10th, for all those interested.

We discussed the Scott County Jail's need for volunteers to take meetings to the jail. Motion was made to continue to announce that service opportunity at the end of each meeting, seconded and approved. Applications and a sign-up sheet are also made available to those members interested.

We discussed Bettendorf's annual picnic event. Lee C. enthusiastically volunteered to be the chair person for the picnic event. A few members also volunteered to take direction from Lee to fulfill the events' needs. All are welcomed, in the past people have brought a dish to share. The event is scheduled to take place Sunday, September 12, 2021. I believe the times are from 10-3. More information to follow.

Bettendorf's group annual anniversary is coming up to be held at the Knights of Columbus? In love and service, Bob.

BBS: The BBS Group is back in the church and holding hybrid meetings since June 1. We usually have 4 to 6 Zoom attendees. If you cannot join in person, see the aaquadcites.org website for the Zoom link. Also, the church is no longer requiring masks so we leave it up to each individual if they are more comfortable with or without one. Join us on Tuesdays at 6:30pm either in-person or via Zoom!
In love and service, Julie B

Blandine: Treasurer's Report Beg Bal \$406.05, Exp \$37.75, Inc \$83.28 End Bal \$362.08 Prudent reserve \$300. The next Blandine Business Meeting will be 7/25/21 at Noon. Blandine's 67 Anniversary Picnic will be September 12, 2021, at 10:30 at Garfield Park. District 9 Correction's and Grapevine Chair have been invited to introduce themselves to the Blandine Group and explain what committee member and volunteers are needed for and what they would do. Linda A. will also be the speaker. Blandine and approximately 1/3 of the tapes moved to online storage for group members to access and listen to whenever they want. The tapes were speakers, conference, workshop BB, 12x12 and Hazelden Educational materials. Discussion on the new modern language BB. Comment was made the illiteracy had been an issue for the group too. That was why they did the BB tapes. This brought up the question is modern language BB going to have audio version. Christy P., General Service Representative, Blandine Group

Courage to Change: Courage to change held its first in person meeting since covid shut down last Tuesday on July 6th. It was wonderful to be back together as a group. 😊 We had apx 20 people present. In love and service, Nadine

New Beginnings: Hello Everyone, the New Beginnings Meetings at the Stutsman Lodge are back. We are behind RICCA at 1607 John Deere Rd. in East Moline. The meetings will be outside if the weather permits, or inside if not, with masks required. There are 3 meetings a week Monday at 6:30pm, Wed. at 8pm and a Primary Purpose Big Book Study Sat at 2pm, which will always be inside. I have been attending these meetings and there is a lot of sharing about the struggles, but not a lot about the solution, so if you get a chance, stop by and share your experience, strength and hope. In Love and Service Randy C.

Three Legacies: 3 legacies has begun in-person meetings again! However, the meeting time and location has changed. Our speaker meeting is now held at Central Discussion on Tuesdays at 7pm. There is no longer a daycare option available. This is a hybrid meeting, meaning you can also join on zoom. Attendance so far is around 15-20 people in-person, and 2-4 on zoom weekly. The link for the zoom meeting is on aaquadcities.org. Three legacies is also holding a zoom meeting at 9am on Saturdays, the link is the same as the Tuesday meeting. We are also still announcing the open positions for intergroup after our meetings during announcements. In love and service, Katie A.

*****No other written reports were submitted*****

Old Business – Still have open positions-Telephone Chair, Events Chair

New Business – Intergroup business meetings in-person or Zoom, or hybrid? Discussion took place: District 9 and 90 are still virtual. One group was interested in having in-person business meeting, others were in favor of staying either zoom or open to hybrid. The vote was to stay on zoom for now but will continue to revisit this.

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 7:15pm