Illowa Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes / October 4, 2021

Virtual Meeting called to order by Monique M at 6:00pm with Serenity Prayer.

Attendance:

Officers present: Chair/Monique M.; Co-chair/Mike C., Secretary/Julie B.; Treasurer/Al B.; Newsletter/Beth E., Events/Cassidy G., Office Manager/Lisa W.; District 9 Liaison/Erica B.; District 90 Liaison/Craig K., Webmaster/Randy C.

Groups present: 8n8 (Welcome new rep: Krystyna!), Bettendorf, Big Book Study, Blandine, Courage to Change, Henry County (Craig K in for Bob W), Last Chance, Marquette, New Beginnings, West End (If I missed anyone, please let me know!)

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

Officers' report:

Treasurer's report given by Al B.:

Income: \$2123.63 (\$368.60 contributions, \$1754.11 sales)

Expenses: \$3461.07

Income minus expenses: -1337.44

Checking account: \$527.84

Savings account (Prudent reserve): \$5110.02

Office Manager's Report: Hello everyone, Intergroup is in desperate need of contributions, as I have had to again take money from our prudent reserve to pay bills and will have to continue to do if things don't change. We need to look at other options, such as raising literature prices or eliminating services. Interestingly, the two largest contributors to date are the Big Book Study Group, which has one meeting a week, and 8n8 AA which is totally on Zoom. I would like to thank all the groups as well as the individual contributors that have donated this year. I would like to thank Terri B. for doing the weekend phone transfers in September. I would also like to thank Desiree K. for taking the phone when the office is closed in the morning. In the spirit of rotation, we do need other people to step up and help with the phone if no one is willing to be the phone chair. Otherwise, I am worried that we will have to stop having a 24-hour phone service.

Call counts for September were 1 12-step, 59 information, 34 visitors, and 1 Al-anon.

Our next business meeting will be Nov. 1 at 6 p.m. on Zoom. In love and service, Lisa W. Office Manager

Telephone Chair – position open

Events – Save the Date flyers were made and mailed out to the local groups for the annual event. The year was incorrect on them but will be corrected when we send out the official event flyers and print tickets. More to come on committees as we reach the beginning of 2022.

Needing feedback on what month to host a winter event - Jingle Jam Fundraiser (speaker jam/dance). Also need to find a location preferably free. More to come on date, location, and committee. Leaning towards January for the event so it's after the holidays. In love & service, Cassidy G.

Newsletter – nothing to report

District 9 liaison – District 9 meeting was yesterday, Maryann was the speaker for the district meeting about service and literature changes, no reports were given...more info on the district 9 minutes

District 90 liaison – nothing to report

Web report - Hello Everyone, we had 2,789 users total but 1,577 actual users that were on the site for more than 30 sec. We had 100 more users this month. The most visited pages were, the Meeting Guide, the Virtual Meetings Page,

and Events moved back to 3rd. We did have a noticeable spike on the 10th. 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: Online every 8am and 8pm. Attendance is good, and has been growing steadily. We now see between 12-20 attendees at both times. We now have a rehab centre participating a couple of time a week. We continue to be self-supporting. What's new: STEPS 1-2-3 Workshop, Primary Purpose Big Book Study, Starts 3 November at 8pm. The Meeting will be held every Wednesday at 8pm, so this meeting will now be changed from an open topic meeting. In Love and Service, Krystyna D.

Bettendorf: Good evening everyone! Bettendorf group continues to hold in-person meetings.

Attendance has been great. We are seeing more newcomers attending, with many coming back, continue their journey and celebrating sobriety milestones.

I continue to share Intergroup's need to fill the phone chair position vocally and by posting the opening along with the requirements on our Intergroup bulletin board for those interested.

The group discussed new business which included next years picnic, the Bettendorf group anniversary and we voted to form an adhoc group to oversee our annual room deep cleaning.

Bettendorf group voted to add an additional open meeting on Thursday nights at 5:30, in addition to the open meeting on Saturday and Sunday evenings.

The group discussed our plans for relocation and to maintain our relocation committee's members until a decision is made for the new location. In love and service, Bob

Big Book Study: We are still meeting both in person at the church and via Zoom on Tuesdays at 6:30pm. We have anywhere from 5-13 Zoom attendees each week.

We are planning a GROUP INVENTORY to take place in the next few months. We'll be evaluating how well we're fulfilling our primary purpose using the 13 suggested questions found in the pamphlet: AA Group... Where it all Begins.

Courage to Change: Courage to change is excited to announce returning to "in person" meeting on Tuesday nights at 6:30 PM effective October 5th at 1401 north Perry St in Davenport. Our next business meeting is oct 26th 2021. In love and service, Nadine

Last Chance: We had an emergency group conscious meeting Sunday Sept 19 and we decided to postpone the September business meeting until October 24th. A lot of our members wanted to go and support the Oquawka Fish Fry.

New Beginnings: Hello Everyone, New Beginnings Meets at Stutsman, behind RICCA at 1607 John Deere Rd. in East Moline. Masks are required for ALL Visitors. We meet; Mon. @ 6:30pm, Wed. @ 8pm and a Primary Purpose Big Book Study, (PPBB), Sat @ 2pm. If you can, please stop in and share your experience, strength and hope. Randy C.

No other written reports were submitted

Old Business – open position: Telephone Chair

New Business - none

7th Tradition – Checks can be mailed to the office or donations can be made online via PayPal to <u>illowaintergroup@yahoo.com</u>. 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 00000pm.

The next business meeting will be held on November 1, 2021 at 6pm on Zoom