

Illowa Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes / Mar-7- 2022

Virtual Meeting called to order by Mike C. at 6:04 pm with Serenity Prayer.

Attendance:

Officers present: Chair/Mike C.; Secretary/Julie B.; Treasurer/Al B.; Events/Cassidy G., Office Manager/Lisa W.; Telephone/Jennifer G., District 9 Liaison/Erica B.; District 90 Liaison/Craig K., Webmaster/Randy C.

Groups present: 8n8, Bettendorf, Big Book Study, Central, Geneseo, Henry County, Knuckleheads, Last Chance, Marquette, New Beginnings, Three Legacies, West End.

(If I missed anyone, please let me know!)

Because the March Intergroup meeting is intended to conduct elections, officers' and groups' reports were not given. Lisa/Office Manager took the floor to remind all Intergroup reps they need to pick up tickets from her to sell for the Intergroup anniversary. Please contact her to make arrangements to get tickets.

The Events chair was asked to give an update before jumping into elections:

Report from Events Chair, Cassidy G: Committees for the event have been formed. We have the Raffle chair, Angie M with us on Zoom to give a quick report. Reminder to all we are 1 month away for this event and need to focus on selling tickets. PLEASE ANNOUNCE THE EVENT AT MEETINGS, announce you have tickets for sale, announce we need donations! Please see flyer on website! Accepting monetary donations also.

Report from the Raffle chair, Angie M: please take back to your groups that we are in need of raffle baskets! Please reach out to your groups and ask for monetary or basket donations. Contact Lisa or Angie with questions.

INTERGROUP ELECTIONS:

Chair: Mike C has recently taken on the Chair position after Monique resigned. Mike C was nominated, the nomination was seconded. There were no other nominations. The vote was unanimous. Congratulations Mike!

Co-chair: Al B. was nominated, the nomination was seconded. There were no other nominations. The vote was unanimous. Congratulations Al!

Secretary: Julie B has served one term and agreed to stand for another year. Julie B was nominated, it was seconded. There were no other nominations. The vote was unanimous.

Treasurer: THIS POSITION IS STILL OPEN. Al agreed to continue fulfilling the Treasurer duties until someone steps in (2yrs sobriety req'd) since 2 signatures are needed on checks.

Telephone: Jennifer G agreed to stand for another year. Jennifer G was nominated, it was seconded, no other nominations, vote was unanimous.

Alt telephone: Desiree agreed to stand for another year. Desiree was nominated, it was seconded, no other nominations, vote was unanimous.

Newsletter: After some discussion about duties and how it could be handled by someone out of the area, Krystina was nominated, it was seconded, no others were nominated. The vote was unanimous. Congratulations Krystina!

Events: Cassidy agreed to stand another term. Cassidy was nominated, it was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

District 9 liaison: Erica agreed to stand another term, she was nominated, it was seconded, the vote was unanimous.

District 90 liaison: Craig agreed to stand, he was nominated, it was seconded, the vote was unanimous.

Congratulations to all!

Announcement from Erica B: the District 9 Mini Event will take place on MAY 15 at West End Alano Club.

Old business: none

New business: Randy C asked the group to consider creating a Bridging the Gap position at Intergroup. Intergroup services District 9 and District 90 and says it seems to make sense to have this position at Intergroup. He explained it's a point of contact person for folks getting out of treatment or prison. Much discussion took place about whether it needs

to be a district position or how it could become an Intergroup position. BTG has traditionally been a district position handled by the Corrections/Treatment chairperson but has fallen by the wayside over the years. There was confusion as to how the districts would be kept informed, for example, would an Intergroup BTG rep need to attend District 9 and also District 90 business meetings. Would the Intergroup BTG rep be considered on both Area committees, or else which area would they be serving. The discussion is tabled until next month. Please think on it, read the BTG pamphlet, consider a description of the position, the sobriety requirement, the term, etc. Randy said he will put something together to be considered for the next meeting.

Vickie S – shared a message from AAs in the Ukraine. It was an ask for prayers, it stated they will continue to follow spiritual principles during this troubling time and ask only that we pray for them.

Meeting closed at 7:05pm with the Lord's Prayer.

Below are Officer and Group reports; they were not given verbally during the meeting.

Officers' report:

Treasurer's report given by Al B.:

Income: \$1,911.91

Expenses: \$2,498.94

Income minus expenses: (\$587.03)

Office Manager's Report: Hello everyone,

Please continue to call or check the website for office hours before coming to the office. I am still looking for volunteers to help one day a week in the office, though I have a couple of new volunteers trying it out right now.

Tickets are available for our 48th Anniversary Event April 9th on our website, at the office, and from your Intergroup Rep. The tickets are \$25 until March 25th, and \$30 after that.

Thank-you letters have been sent to all groups and Faithful Fivers who contributed in 2021.

Call counts for February were 0 12-step, 59 information, and 29 visitors.

I will be out-of-town March 12-18. I have some volunteers to cover some shifts at the office, but again please call or check the website to be sure the office is open before heading over here.

Our next business meeting will be April 4 at 6 p.m. on Zoom. In love and service, Lisa W,

Telephone Chair – Thank you for allowing me to be of continued service in this position. Phone transfers have been going well on the weekends. Reminders have been getting sent via text on Mondays and I will start this week to send reminders for the weekend shifts on Wednesday. Will revisit this month about volunteers not answering phone calls with Lisa and Desiree. In love and service – Jennifer G

District 9 liaison – Hello! District 9 Intergroup liaison report. District 9 discussed the agenda items for the 72nd general service conference at the last meeting. Only other thing to report is the date for the mini event district 9 is having. It will be at the Alano club may 15th. More info to come! In love and service, Erica B

Web report – No report

Group reports:

8n8: Online every 8am and 8pm. Attendance is good, but fluctuates between 15- 20's. 8n8AA has been accepted as an official AA Group from the General Service Office we are seeing additional and new people in the room also.

Primary Purpose Big Book Study, still continues with an average of 18 attendees.

Next speaker meeting in March at 8n8AA, Saturday, 26 March 2022 is Mike C at 8pm

Finding the Key to Steps 1,2 & 3 Workshop should be ready to go for April.

In Love and Service, Krystyna D.

Bettendorf: Picnic scheduled for September. Preparing for a service workshop for Bett home group members. In love and service, T. Voyna

Central: Central business meeting: April 10th. Elections will be held April 10th. Positions available: chairman, possibly GSR. Last donation was in Dec. We will approve those again at the business meeting. We have stabilized the evening and 7:30am meetings w/commutes chair people, but are struggling a bit with the 10am & noon meetings. Finances are stable. – Nichole S.

Last Chance: We will be having elections for 2nd treasurer (a backup/alternate treasurer) in March. Attendance has been good. We continue to take donations for Intergroup on Sunday nights. Potluck/speaker meetings are held the 3rd Friday of the month. We have been selling Intergroup Event tickets and announcing the events. -Toni S.

Marquette: Ticket sales for the intergroup anniversary have been slow. 6/10 sold so far Meeting attendance is steady. Group elections coming up in June. Getting 48th anniversary celebration announced and spreading the word. Will discuss final details at next business meeting. Discussed SOP'S and Group conscience – Jennifer B.

Three Legacies: Three Legacies has an open hybrid speaker meeting, Tuesday's at 7:00 P.M. at Central Location. Three Legacies has a closed Big Book meeting, online Saturday mornings at 9:00 A.M. The Tuesday March 8, 7:00 P.M. Three Legacies speaker meeting will be celebrating their 9 years, with cookies and coffee. Information can be found on a flier on aaquadcities.com The Three Legacies next business meeting is March 22nd after the 7:00 open speaker meeting. All meeting information can be found on aaquadcities.com/meetings. In Love and Service, Vickie S.

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

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.

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