Illowa Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes / May-02-2022

Virtual Meeting called to order by Intergroup chair, Mike C. at 6:01 pm with Serenity Prayer.

Attendance:

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

Groups present: 8n8, Bettendorf, Blandine, Camden Serenity, Central, Courage to Change, Freedom, Geneseo, Henry County, Last Chance, 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.

Side note: If you do not receive the Illowa Newsletter via mail, please check the <u>aaquadcities.org</u> website for the newsletter's brand new look! ->Newsletter/Minutes tab ->Newsletter May 2022.

Officers' report:

Treasurer's report given by Tom M.:

Income: \$8524.14 Expenses: \$9685.04

Income minus expenses: -1160.90

Erica commented that District 9 struggles to follow the numbers in the treasurer's report and they are requesting the report include a balance forwarded. Also noted, the information on the treasurer's report is for April only, so with regard to the event income, it is not a complete or comprehensive number. The Event Chair will provide the complete report for the anniversary event.

Office Manager's Report: Hello from the Intergroup Office, I am back to looking for one more volunteer to work Friday morning from 9-12:30. Thanks to the new volunteers who stepped up to work the other days.

Thanks to everyone who helped make our anniversary event a success. We sold a larger number of tickets than we have for many years. Thanks to Cassidy for organizing it all.

The treasurer, Tom, and I filed the quarterly payroll taxes last week.

The office computer has been having some memory issues. Both Randy and Chris (former webmaster) have looked at it to see what's wrong but haven't exactly figured it out yet. I am backing up everything I can in case it crashes.

AA World Services has quite a few books that are out-of-stock, due to supply chain issues, I believe. Big Books (hardcover format) are available again though. Call counts for April were 0 12-step, 62 information, 0 Al-Anon and 25

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

Comments/questions: Go to aa.org Online Bookstore to see if a particular book is out of stock

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 Wednesdays. In love and service – Jennifer G.

Newsletter: report was given verbally, no written report submitted

District 9 Liaison: Hello from district 9! Treasurer report: balance forwarded \$5100.77 income \$1628.74 expenses \$15.70 ending balance \$6714.81 minus the \$600 seed/prudent money leaves an operating balance of \$6114.81. Scott County Jail is taking in meetings. There's separate men and womens meeting which volunteers are needed. Jail application contact fax number is 5633284128. Vicki F. Has a corrections committee that meets the 4th Friday of the month at 1115 at the Bettendorf group and would be a great opportunity to be of service. District 9 Mini Event is May

15th from 1:30-4 at the Alano club (West End group) and also available at online. Next business meeting is June 5th (hybrid) at 1030am. In love and service, Erica B, District 9 liaison

District 90 Liaison: report was given verbally, no written report submitted

Events – I would like to thank everyone for their support. See below the totals for the event. -Cassidy G **Event Report February 1 through April 29, 2022 Ordinary Income/Expense Income**

Basket \$561.00 Event Tickets \$5,987.59 Raffles \$2,284.00 Events Income - Other \$490.00

Total Events Income \$9,322.59

Expense

D.J. \$175.00 Decorations \$118.73 Hall & Food \$6,135.38

Total Event Expense 6,429.11

Net Income 2,893.48

Webmaster: Hello Everyone, we had 2,360 users total but 1,539 actual users that were on the site for more than 30 sec., which is once again slightly higher than average. The most visited pages did have a change this month, the Meeting Guide was still the most visited page, however, the Events Page moved up to the second most visited page switching places with the Virtual Meetings Pages which was the third most visited Page. This may have been due to the Anniversary Event or maybe since there are more in-person events, that page is getting more use. We might have had a spike on the 4th, but we had heavy usage that week, once again probably due to the Anniversary Event, so it was hard to tell. We continue to have consistent daily usage. The Website was renewed for another year. The \$139.04 cost will be split 3-ways at \$46.35 for Intergroup, District 9 & 90. District 90 did get approval from District 9 at their May 1st Business Meeting, so I have the District 90 Bridging the Gap Page active. There is a temporary notice on the front page and a permanent link in the Menu. Also, District 9 would like the same type of page for them but I will bring that up during New Business. 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:

Bettendorf: Bett held their anniversary event on April 23. Approximately 90 people attended. No news on move. In love and service, Teri V.

Blandine: Blandine is going well these days. Great attendance overall and especially to our Friday 8pm and Sunday 11am meetings. We also have had many newcomers coming through who have been coming back. Our oldest newcomer is 6 months old and received his 6-month chip on May 1st. Our 68th Anniversary Celebration will be held on May 15 starting at 11am and a flyer can be found on the Intergroup website with details. Teri B from the West End group will be speaking at this celebration. And as always, our regular speaker meeting is the last Friday of the month with a speaker to be announced for the month of May. – Michael R.

Camden Serenity: The Camden Serenity Group monthly speaker meeting is this Saturday, May 7. Food and fellowship at 5:30 (the main dish, jambalaya, is provided. Bring a dish to pass). Amy from the West End will speak at 7:00. -J

Central: We just had elections: Mike C.-GSR, Alternate GSR-TBD, Chair-Kiersten C.

Anniversary Party (53 yrs) in September. We don't have a specific date set. Agreed we will still donate the \$500 quarterly to Intergroup like we have been. -Nichole S.

Freedom Group: I am the new intergroup representative for the Freedom Group. The Freedom Group meets every Wednesday at 8:00PM at the Blandine building, located at 117 ½ Perry Street, Davenport, IA. The attendance for April was ok and there were a few newcomers that we were able to give a big book to.

We just had our group inventory in March; it was well attended and had good discussions. The Freedom Group Fun Fellowship Field Trip 2 will be held June $10^{th} - 12^{th}$ 2022 at Loud Thunder Forest Preserve, located at 19408 Loud Thunder Road, Illinois City, IL. We would like to have the flyer posted to the intergroup website if that is possible. In loving service, Darcie D.

Geneseo: Geneseo Group is doing good. Our Monday Women's meeting and Saturday Morning meeting have really grown. Our next speaker meeting will be Friday, May 27 at 7 pm with potluck before, doors open at 5:30 with food at 6pm. Bill D. from Courage to Change will be speaking. We will have a business meeting on Wednesday, May 4th at 7:30 pm. Love and Service, Lynette

Marquette: The Marquette Group has a new mailing address: PO Box 1504 Davenport IA 52806 Meeting address remains at Adventure Church on Northwest Blvd in Davenport.

The Marquette Group's anniversary potluck/speaker meeting on April 23rd was an amazing celebration with close to 100 in attendance. Marquette will hold group elections at the May 23rd business meeting. Overall, meeting attendance is on the increase. -Jennifer B.

New Beginnings: Hello Everyone, Meeting times are Monday at 6:30pm. No speaker meetings yet. Wednesday at 8pm. Primary Purpose Big Book Study is Saturday at 2pm. Masks are required but not typically worn. If you can, please stop in and share your experience, strength and hope. Randy C.

Three Legacies: 3 Legacies open speaker meeting is on Tuesday's at 7:00 PM at Central Discussion in Davenport. The meeting is hybrid and the information to get on Zoom is on our flier on aaquadcities.org/meetings.

- 3 Legacies has a Closed big book Zoom meeting on Saturday mornings at 9:00. The information to get on Zoom is on our flier on aaquadcities.org/meetings.
- 3 Legacies next business meeting is Tuesday June 14,2022 after our Speaker meeting, at 8:00. The information for Zoom is on our flier on aaguadcities.org/meetings. In Love and Service, Vickie S

No other written reports were submitted

Old business: Craig updated us, he met with the pastor regarding the Tyson issue we've been discussing regarding the need for AA meetings for workers who do not speak english, it was decided the best route is to start a meeting at the church, but the main guy ended up in the hospital. Eventually they would want it to be moved out from the church.

New business: Randy added a District 90 Bridging the Gap page on aaquadcities.org. District 9 wants one also. A Motion was made to allow Randy to add a District 9 page BTG page, motion passed.

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.

The next business meeting will be held on June 6, at 6pm on Zoom.