

## Illowa Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes / October 3, 2022

Virtual Meeting called to order by Intergroup Chair, Mike C. at 6:00 pm with Serenity Prayer.

### **Attendance:**

#### **Officers/Chairs/Liaisons present:**

**Chair**/Mike C.; **Co-chair**/Al B.; **Secretary**/Julie B.; **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, BB Study, Blandine, Central, Geneseo, Henry County, Last Chance, Marquette, New Beginnings, Three Legacies, West End.

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

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

### **Officers' report:**

#### **Treasurer's report was given by Lisa W in Tim/Treasurer's absence:**

Checking balance forwarded: \$9337.91

Total income: \$1534.65

Total expenses: \$3944.06

**Income minus expenses: \$(2409.41)**

Checking ending balance: \$6928.50

**Office Manager's Report:** Things are going well at the office. We can always use more backup volunteers, both for the office and the phone rotation.

I would like to thank my volunteer Chris C. for the donation of an office chair, as ours broke.

I will be on vacation Oct. 6-13. Thanks in advance to the volunteers that help me cover the office and phone.

Call counts for September were 3 12-step, 48 information, 1 Al-anon and 25 visitors.

Our next business meeting will be November 7 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, we do have some volunteers that are not answering when called. We are trying to keep track of those volunteers and reviewing them monthly.

Reminders have been getting sent via text on Mondays and Wednesdays.

I will be out of town this weekend with no access to phones or internet, Desiree is covering the phone transfers for this weekend. - In love and service, Jennifer G

### **Events:**

Paula P. has confirmed her availability to speak at our annual event on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. I told her we would be in touch as the date approaches to arrange for lodging and a speaker host.

I have secured the venue, placed the \$500 deposit, and signed the contract with Hickory Creek Event center for the annual event on Sat. April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Pieler Productions is unavailable this weekend to do our sound, but David Hays is available and willing to run sound for the event and speaker cost would be \$100.

**I would like to find a small stage if possible and podium for the speaker so they are more visible to everyone in attendance. If anyone has recommendations on where we could rent one from, please reach out to me directly.**

As for the concerns with the space being given to us for free and that being against 7<sup>th</sup> tradition. That is how the venue operates with any fundraiser. It was always my intention to give their employees working the event some sort of compensation/tip. I have not landed on that number yet, I will need to find out how many employees will be working and decide what would be reasonable. But I do plan to make sure that outside of other service charges we are self-supporting through our own contributions.

In love & service, Cassidy G.

**Newsletter:** I have started a database for the e-newsletter, we currently have 6 subscribers, and I have another 8 to add.

This month I'll be starting to source AA stories to add to the newsletter, and I'd like to make a flyer for the f2f meetings to try and gain interest. I will also from this month add a regular puzzle page. I am also happy to hear ideas that anyone may have.

In Love and Service, Krystyna D.

**District 9 Liaison:** District 9 just held elections and positions have been filled. Here is the treasurer report. This was the only report given due to elections. In love and service, Erica B (note: District 9 treasurer report is not shared here, please check District 9 business meeting minutes if interested). – Erica B.

**District 90 Liaison:** report was given verbally; no written report submitted.

**Webmaster:** Hello Everyone, we had 2,307 users total but 1,577 actual users that were on the site for more than 30 sec., which is again, just above our average of 1400. The Meeting Guide was still the most visited page, the Events Page stayed as the second most visited page, leaving the Virtual Meetings Page as the third. There was a large spike on the 15<sup>th</sup>, when I say large spike, it's about 50 visits more than our daily visit average of 148. We still continue to have consistent daily usage. I did add an Email Link on the front page and the Newsletter page regarding a request to have the Newsletter Emailed directly to you. 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 day at 8am and 8pm. Attendance is good. Next Speaker Meeting Saturday 30 October at 8:00pm is Naomi from the Kirribilli group in Australia. 8n8AA Business Meeting Friday, 7 October at 6:00pm.

In Love and Service, Krystyna D.

**Bettendorf:** not present

**Big Book Study:** Attendance are good, we have a couple newcomers, we are reading out of Bills Story, and we are hybrid. Also our elections are coming up next month. In love and service, Jerome

**Blandine:** report was given verbally; no written report submitted.

**Camden:** not present

**Central:** Not much to share, attendance in meetings have been good since dropping our Wed. night meeting. New chair Lonnie. – Nichole S.

**Courage to Change:** not present

**Dewitt:** not present

**Freedom Group:** not present

**Geneseo:** report was given verbally; no written report submitted.

**Henry County:** report was given verbally; no written report submitted.

**House Group:** not present

**Knuckleheads:** not present

**Last Chance:** Speaker meeting is Friday Oct. 21st. Sarah T from Bog Book Study to share. Speaker starts at 5:30. Potluck at 6:45.

Attendance is good. Next business meeting is Sunday Oct. 30th at 12:20.

Love & Service, Tracey S

**Marquette:** Meeting attendance is good. All positions are filled.

The rain didn't stop the annual picnic from being a really fun event with about 40 people in attendance.

\$100 donation to Intergroup - Jennifer B.

**New Beginnings:** Hello Everyone, the Meeting times are Monday at 6:30pm. No speaker meetings yet.

Wednesday at 8pm and a Primary Purpose Big Book Study is Saturday at 2pm, we are on page 77, the 9<sup>th</sup> Step section. If you are available, please stop in and share your experience, strength and hope, they could really use the outside influence. - Randy C.

**Three Legacies:** Three Legacies speaker meeting at Asbury Methodist church on Thursdays at 6:00 P.M. is going well. The Three Legacies Big Book, virtual meeting is Saturdays 9:00 A.M.

Information to get on both meetings can be found on our flyer at [aaquadcities.org/meetings](http://aaquadcities.org/meetings).

The next business meeting and elections are October 13<sup>th</sup> after the speaker meeting

In Service and Love, Vickie S.

**West End:** report was given verbally; no written report submitted.

**Report from Ranae O. on behalf of IAYPAA:** We are having our next fundraising event on October 29th 5-9pm at the Alano Club in Davenport. November's event is scheduled for November 12th and is a pancake breakfast. It will also be at the Alano Club. In Love and service, Ranae O

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

**Old business:** none

**New business:** none

7<sup>th</sup> Tradition – Checks can be mailed to the office or donations can be made online via PayPal to [illowaintergroup@yahoo.com](mailto:illowaintergroup@yahoo.com).

All reports need to be e-mailed to the secretary prior to the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month 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 **November 7, 2022 at 6 p.m.** on Zoom.