

## Illowa Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes / November 7, 2022

Virtual Meeting called to order by Intergroup Chair, Mike C. at 6:01 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.; **District 9 Liaison**/Erica B.; **District 90 Liaison**/Craig K, **Webmaster**/Randy C.

**Groups present:** BB Study, Blandine, Camden, Courage to Change, Geneseo, Henry County, House Group, Last Chance, Marquette, New Beginnings, West End.

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

Motion was made and passed to accept the October minutes as published. (note: Newsletter was not sent; minutes are posted to the website)

### **Officers' report:**

#### **Treasurer's report:**

Checking balance forwarded: \$6928.50

Total income: \$2093.22

Total expenses: \$4130.22

**Income minus expenses: (\$2037.00)**

Checking ending balance: \$4891.50

Questions/Comments: Lisa confirmed the IL state tax is due to Lisa's residence in IL. Tim stated we have not dipped into prudent reserve since he's been in the position.

**Office Manager's Report:** The Intergroup office is now restocked with most literature but a few items are still not available. Grapevine has raised its prices so our prices will go up in the next year when new inventory comes in. The treasurer and I sent in the quarterly 941 payroll tax reports in October.

Anyone looking for service work for themselves or sponsees is welcome to volunteer as a backup office volunteer or sign up for our phone rotation. I am looking for volunteers to cover the office in the afternoons while I go out-of-town for Christmas.

Please notify the office of any holiday happenings (send flyers) so we can tell callers what is going on and can post them on the website. Thank you.

Call counts for October were 1 12-step, 56 information, 1 Al-anon and 41 visitors.

Our next business meeting will be December 5 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 out via text on Mondays and Wednesdays.

We have one opportunity for a phone position on the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month. The shift is from 5:30pm on Sunday evening until 9:00am on Monday morning. In love and service, Jennifer G

**Events:** Events chair was not present during the meeting, but a verbal report was given by Erica B. Events chair emailed the following report:

Not much to report for me: Tentatively planning the Winter Speaker Jam event for Saturday Jan. 28th at the West End Alano club. Waiting for confirmation from the West End group so there isn't a conflict of interest with meeting times. Starting & trying to find people interested in forming sub-committees for the upcoming events in 2023.

In love & service, Cassidy G., Events Chair

**Newsletter:** not present

**District 9 Liaison:** report given verbally, no written report submitted.

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

**Webmaster:** Hello Everyone, we had 2,635 users total but 2,277 actual users that were on the site for more than 30 sec., which is almost 900 more users higher than 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 heavy usage for the last week of the month, no real single day spike but the last week was noticeably higher usage. We still continue to have consistent daily usage, except for this last week. 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:** not present

**Bettendorf:** not present

**Big Book Study:** Big book study group attendance is good. Newcomers are coming in; we are reading out the Big Book in Bills Story. Our election is coming up this month. In loving service, Jerome J

**Blandine:** report given verbally, no written report submitted.

**Camden:** Camden's numbers remain strong. In addition to our quarterly business meeting, we will have a special meeting this Saturday to discuss the upcoming Holiday schedule. – Laura S.

**Central:** not present

**Courage to Change:** Courage to Change Group held their Business Meeting on October 25th. Elections were held for the new service year.

Topic discussed regarding potentially changing the verbiage in the Preamble from "A group of men and women" to "a group of people". No vote at this time. This was discussion only. Also discussed was potentially removing the Lord's Prayer at the end of the meeting and replacing it with the Serenity Prayer. No vote was held as this was discussion only. Home Group members have decreased slightly from previous Business Meeting. – In Love and Service, Carlee

**Dewitt:** not present

**Freedom Group:** not present

**Geneseo:** Geneseo Group is settled into their new location, a few minor things to finish but the transition went well. We had our 44th Anniversary celebration at the Isaac Walton League on 10/22/22 and had a good turnout, was hoping for campfire and Smores but had 80 degree weather instead. Elections for all positions will be held this Wednesday 11/8/22. Our next speaker meeting is on Friday, 11/25/22 at 7 pm. Jerry M from Galesburg will be speaking. Love and Service, Lynette

**Henry County:** report given verbally, no written report submitted.

**House Group:** report given verbally, no written report submitted.

**Knuckleheads:** not present

**Last Chance:** Our next speaker meeting is Friday the 18th, Matt T from Bettendorf group to share at 5:30pm. Potluck after, bring a dish to share.

We will be open all day for Thanksgiving with a meeting at 11am and one at 5:30pm. We will have a meal at 12:30, bring a dish to share.

We have decided to discontinue our Wednesday 5am Zoom meeting at the end of the year and have removed information from the intergroup website.

Attendance is good. We see a lot of newcomers on a regular basis, which is a wonderful thing to be a part of.

We continue to pass an extra basket for intergroup donations throughout the month.  
Our next business meeting is the last Sunday of the month. - Tracey

**Marquette:** Marquette Group canceled October business meeting. This was due to not enough officers available to hold a quorum. Meeting attendance has been good. Love and service. 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 in the working with others chapter. 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 had their business meeting October 13, 2022. Elections were held and Mary Ann G. will be Three Legacies Intergroup representative for 2023.

Three Legacies speaker, meeting at Asbury Methodist church on Thursdays at 6:00 P.M. is going well. Average people attending Thursday's speaker meeting is 29 and average children in daycare is 4.

The Three Legacies Big Book, Saturday, virtual meeting is 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 January 26<sup>th</sup>, after the speaker meeting.  
In Service and Love, Vickie S.

**West End:** report given verbally, no written report submitted.

***\*\*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 **December 5, 2022, at 6 p.m.** on Zoom.