

Illowa Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes/October 2, 2023

Virtual Meeting called to order by Intergroup Chair, Cassidy G. at 6:01 pm with the Serenity Prayer.

Attendance:

Officers/Chairs/Liaisons present: Chair/ Cassidy G.; Co- Chair/Al B.; Secretary/Jennifer B.; Office Manager/Lisa W.; Telephone/Desiree K.; Newsletter/Julie B.; Webmaster/Randy C.

Groups present: 8&8, Bettendorf, Big Book Study, Courage to Change, Geneseo, Last Chance, Marquette, New Beginnings, Three Legacies, West End

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

Officers' reports:

Treasurer's report:

Checking balance forwarded: \$7527.27
Total income: \$2710.86
Total expenses: \$4483.67
Income minus expenses: \$-1772.81
Checking ending balance: \$5754.46

Motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the treasurer's report.

Office Manager's Report:

Hello from Intergroup,

Things are going well at the office. AA World Services has changed the covers on a few books to save money, and will no longer have book jackets on Big Books and 12 & 12's. They have also changed the covers on soft-covered Big Books. I will be out-of-town Oct. 3-10 but have volunteers lined up to cover my afternoons in the office. Thanks to all who stepped up! Call counts for September were 0 12-step, 66 information, 42 visitors, and 0 Al-anon. Our next business meeting will be November 6 at 6:00 p.m. on Zoom.

In love and service, Lisa W.

Telephone Chair: Desiree, recovered alcoholic,

I am continuing to add more people to the 12th Step call list, I emailed the new one out today. I am adding new people to the back up phones also. Right now, all phone positions are covered, and I'm happy to say that no one has multiple days. I'm also happy that we have plenty of back up people for the phone, and that our 12th Step call list keeps growing.
In Love and Service Desiree

Newsletter: Hello! I mailed the newsletter 2 days later than I normally do but it still arrived before Oct-1! Also, you may have noticed the District 90 minutes were missing; I had been notified there would not be a report/minutes but I could not decide on a good way to note that. I noticed this morning, though, the District 90 minutes page is blank on the aaquadcities.org website, so that helps and reinforces that minutes were not taken. I'm sure Randy thought of that, so thank you, Randy!

- Annual Subscription: \$16/year.
- Add a flyer: \$8 (needed by the 15th of the month)
- Receive newsletter via email: \$0

I hope you do, but if you don't currently review the business meeting minutes before each Intergroup business meeting, I encourage you to do so. The chairperson always asks for a motion to approve the minutes so voting in favor implies you've read and agree they are accurate. If something was captured incorrectly or your attendance was missed, etc., that is the time to get it corrected. That's all I have, please let me know if you have any questions.

Yours in service, Julie B.

Webmaster: Hello Everyone, we had 2,622 users total but 1,380 actual users that were on the site for more than 30 sec., which is slightly below at our average of 1400. The Meeting Guide is still the most visited page, followed by the Events Page, and the Virtual Meetings Page is third. There was a spike on Sept. 26 and the rest of the month continued to be wavy. 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:

8&8: This meeting is daily online at 8am and 8pm. There's a beginners meeting every Sunday at 8pm and a speaker meeting the last Saturday of the month at 8pm. The next speaker is Aaron M from the Henry co. Group on Oct 28th. The meetings have an average of 15-20 people and we would love for you join us.

In love & Service, Erica B.

Bettendorf: Our GSR attended the District the Area Delegate attended reporting on the General Service Conference. This information can be obtained from the dropbox. GSR is attending the Fall Conference in Dubuque. Annual picnic was held on 9/10/23 at the Bettendorf bandshell with good attendance. Our meetings have been relocated to the Canteen Rooms for all meetings except for the Tuesday morning 10 am meeting which is now in the Banquet Room. Relocation was necessary due to structural damage noted to our original meeting room. The city is hoping that repairs will be completed in no more than 2 weeks. Please enter building through the west doors. Is there a need to for this information to be posted on the website?

Love and service, Nancy R

Big Book Study Group: Hello from Big Book Study Study. Average attendance has grown to 43. We purchased a new computer for the group to keep up with our hybrid option. We are discussing as a group to offer childcare, there will be a committee created to determine viability. We will have our next business meeting on 10/3/2023 directly after the regularly scheduled meeting. We will be discussing what will happen to the group's property/assets should the group disband. Love and Service - Carlee

Courage to Change: We are steady and Traditionally we elect group positions in the month of October.

Geneseo: This is jessie from geneseo group. We celebrated our 45th anniversary at the izzack Walton October 7. We enjoyed an al anon speaker as well as an aa speaker. Thank you to all who helped and joined us for games and fellowship.

Last Chance: Hello, Last Chance's speaker meeting is October 20th at 5:30 with our very own home group member, Beth H. Potluck, following at 6:45. Attendance has been good throughout the week. There is a bit of a low turnout on Saturday and Sunday mornings, so if you are in the area, please stop by at 11 a.m. and share your experience, strength, and hope.
Love and Service, Ruby G.

New Beginnings: Hello Everyone, the Meeting times are Monday at 6:30pm. Wednesday at 8pm, and Saturday at 2pm is the Primary Purpose Big Book Study. We've had some members from outside the Lodge regularly joining us, which is very much appreciated, so I just want to say thank you to them. 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: Greetings everyone!

All is well at Three Legacies! Thursday meeting attendance is good. Our daycare is now a free-will donation, so if you know parents who need childcare during meetings – please pass along we meet on Thursday evenings at 6pm at Asbury Methodist Church in Bettendorf. We will be holding elections during our next Business Meeting on 19 October. I will pass along the new 2024 intergroup liaison for Three Legacies during the next Intergroup Meeting in November.
Love in Service, Mary Ann G.

Old Business: The new corrections meeting which was announced last month started on September 13th. If you would like to get involved, or have any questions, please contact Lisa W. at the Illowa Intergroup Office for more information. 309-764-1016

New business: Intergroup has both the District 9 Liaison, and the Events Chair positions open. If you are interested in service work and would like to get involved, please contact Lisa W. at Intergroup. These positions require 1 year of sobriety.

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 prior to the 15th 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 **Monday, November 6th at 6:00 p.m.** on Zoom.