

Illowa Intergroup Business Meeting Minutes/January 8th, 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.; Treasurer/Tim M.; Office Manager/Lisa W.; Telephone/Desiree K.; Newsletter/Julie B.; Webmaster/Randy C.
Events/Rebecca N.; District 9 Liaison/Amber J.: District 90 Liaison/Adam HC

Groups present: 8&8, Bettendorf, Big Book Study, Courage to Change, Henry County, Marquette, Three Legacies, West End

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

Officers' reports

Treasurer's report:

Checking balance forwarded: \$4933.19

Total income: \$6519.71

Total expenses: \$ 5327.10

Income minus expenses: \$1192.61

Checking ending balance: \$6126.67

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

Office Manager's Report: Hello from Intergroup,

Things are going well, I have had one week of training and Lisa will be back into the office January 9 to continue training. Our internet and Vonage phone service went down, so I ordered two new boxes at no charge and we are up and running again. Call counts for December were 4 12-step, 44 information, and 34 visitors. The next business meeting will be held on Monday, February 5th 2024 at 6:00 p.m. on Zoom. In love and service, Katie R

Telephone Chair: Hello, all is well with the phones. I do currently have openings for the first Friday evening of the month, the 3rd Wednesday evening of the month, and the 5th Sunday of the month. Hours are as follows: 5:20pm - 9am . If anyone is interested, please feel free to contact me at: desireekimmel@gmail.com We had a great deal of calls over the New Year holiday. The internet was down, so the phones were automatically transferred to me. I was very humbled by the amount of calls I received from people looking for meetings and looking for help in general. Helping them by talking to them helped me to start the new year with a new spiritual perspective and I am very grateful for that experience. In Love and Service, Desiree K.

Events: Hello All, Planning for the Intergroup Anniversary Event is in motion, and coming along nicely. I have filled all event chair positions and am so grateful they have the following individuals on board: Shawna S. - Raffle Chair, Maryann G. - Speaker Chair, Jaclyn M. - Decorations Chair, Vickie S. - Greeter Chair, Deann D. - Cake Chair. I will be meeting with the chairs via Zoom on February 3rd to confirm tasks, give updates, and for a general Q&A. Also, David H. has agreed to provide sound/DJ services for the event again this year. I have made contact with the event staff at Hickory Grove Event Center and have started working with them on pricing, coffee, and menu. I am in the processing of finalizing the event flyer and ticket information, so both will be available for distribution in February. Thank you for this opportunity to be of service, Rebecca N.

Newsletter: Hello everyone!

Reminder: an annual subscription for a paper copy of the newsletter is \$16, reach out to the intergroup office if you'd like to subscribe (subscribe yourself or your group). It costs nothing to receive an emailed newsletter; you can sign up on the aaquadcities.org home page or the Newsletter/Minutes section. And, of course, you can always just visit the website to access any current or past newsletter.

I did not include a Tradition of the Month page in January's newsletter, but I AM going to try to keep that going. That's all! Yours in service, Julie B.

District 9 Liaison: Corrections Chair: meetings are going well. Treatment Chair: Be mindful of wearing masks when going into treatment centers because some have had COVID outbreaks, the Abbey is doing their own scheduling for meetings and the treatment chair is working on getting in contact with their staff member to get meetings scheduled, they do need people to sponsor clients so reach out to MJ about that if you're interested, Rosecrance doesn't have their new meeting schedule yet after staff turnover. Grapevine: working on getting Grapevines sent to her. Literature chair: recommended going to AA's website and look at the resources they have available online. Discussed the District mini event and creating a position for planning the mini event. Treasurer: Forwarding balance- \$4,799.05 Income- \$250 Expenses- \$99.24 Ending balance- \$4949.81 Current balance- 5216.00. Dates to Remember: **January Service Weekend** – January 13th-14th. MACC, 709 South Center Street, Marshalltown, IA. Begins @ 8:30 Saturday morning. All GSRs are strongly encouraged to attend. The Chairs are not required to attend but are most welcome. **West Central Regional AA Service Conference** – March 1st-3rd. Grand Hotel Minot ND, 1505 North Broadway, Minot, ND - There is a Zoom option available for this event at a cost of \$25. **March Service Weekend**- March 9th-10th. MACC, 709 South Center Street, Marshalltown, IA. Begins @ 9:00 Saturday morning. All GSRs and Chairs are strongly encouraged to attend.

Webmaster: Hello Everyone, we had 3,357 users total but 1,444 actual users that were on the site for more than 30 sec., which is right in line with our current average of 1400. The Meeting Guide is still the most visited page, followed by the Events Page, and the Virtual Meetings Page is third. The Meeting Guide did an update that looks a little different and when you click on a meeting it will automatically show all the meetings at that location. However, there seems to be a glitch, it displays the list twice and I don't think it's supposed to. There was that spike on the 19th, but the rest of the month looked pretty normal. 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: Greetings from 8n8! Things are going well and attendance is still going strong. The next business meeting is Jan 12th at 6pm and the next speaker meeting is Jan 27th at 8pm with Al B from the west end sharing his ESH! If you haven't been to the 8n8 we'd love to see you. 8n8 meets everyday at 8am and 8pm online via zoom ID 6591910636. In love and service, Erica B.

Big Book Study Group: The Big Book Study meets every Tuesday from 6:30-7:30 at Asbury Methodist Church in Bettendorf. Our Business Meetings follow the regular meeting, the 2nd Tuesday of the month. Our meeting is a hybrid meeting and you can join via Zoom or in person. The meeting is either a Big Book Discussion or half discussion/half speaker meeting. Our home group members share on their anniversary date. Meeting attendance has been good; approximately 40-50 regular attendees.

Our next event is our 23rd Anniversary Celebration, Tuesday, February 27th. Doors open at 5, potluck & fellowship at 5:30, speaker at 6:30. Come and join us! In Love & Service, Kristin C

Marquette: Donated \$200 dollars, Holiday season meeting on the 6th of January. Went really well. Thank you. Angie

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. 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: 3 legacies meetings are going well. We meet every Thursday at Asbury church in Bettendorf from 6p-7p. That is a speaker meeting every week. 3 legacies does also offer childcare and donations are very much appreciated. We would love to see you all there. Love and service, Shawna

Old Business: All open Intergroup positions are filled.

New business: The group voted in favor of a \$200 budget for the office to purchase a new printer, as the old one needs replacement. The Office Manager made a motion to switch the Intergroup bank accounts elsewhere due to some concerns with the current financial institution. The group voted unanimously in favor of transferring all accounts to Ascentra Credit Union.

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