

NORTHERN DELAWARE INTERGROUP MINUTES

Date: October 2, 2024

Call to order: 7:00 PM

Attendance: See Sign-in Sheets

Responsibility Pledge: I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA to always be there. And for that: I am responsible.

Anniversaries: Ed – 34 Yrs Rachael – 9 Yrs

Preamble was read aloud

Tradition 9 was read aloud

QUORUM: A quorum - minimum 35 - members. 40 eligible members present.

New Group Reps: Drew – Skyling Speaker Group

Minutes from Previous Meeting: Motion to accept: Accepted and Seconded.

Chair: George M. – Opened with that it's been an active month. As was noted at the Sept. 24, 2024 Steering Committee meeting, during the financial transition that's going on at the Intergroup Office, there was a discovery of a Zoom account that's being paid for from Intergroup 7th Tradition funds; approx. \$16.00 / month. The Zoom account was set up in 2020 to assist the hearing impaired community. It was confirmed that this meeting is in operation and that it's a national / international meeting that shows no sign of servicing the hearing impaired community. The Steering Committee voted to get in touch with the meeting contact person and inform them that the Intergroup office will discontinue paying for the account in October 2024.

Secondly, there are many service positions that need a person who's willing to step up to give back what's been so freely given. It's very important that these positions are filled in order to have a fully functioning Intergroup. Please take this to your home groups and spread the word. Thank you!

Intergroup is also looking to seat a new Finance Chair given Dick H.'s current and ongoing recovery and physical therapy. It would be a great benefit if someone with a CPA background could step up to this position.

Vice Chair: David O. – Started with resounding George's statement that many Wednesday volunteers are needed. Time is 9-3 but can break up to 9-12 and 12-3 if necessary.

As of the end of this month, October, Cathy T. will be stepping down from her position at the Intergroup Office. We are in need of someone who can step up and serve in this position. There's a flyer available describing the position and the needs of the position. The flyer will be posted on the NDIAA Website. October 24, 2024 is the cut-off date for all applications.

Treasurer Report: Gene M. – Opened by noting that 7th Tradition contributions are down and the bills and expenses are up. According to the Financial Summary Report provided, the Intergroup income is approx. 1% below previous year average, and the expenses are up approx. 19% above previous year average. The totals for the Prudent Reserve account reflect this downward trend.

Intergroup Office Report: Ena C. / Cathy T.

Contacts:

AA Info./12 Step: 30 Al Anon/Alateen: 0 Literature: 23

Visitors: 88 Member Misc.: 70 Total calls: 211

Home Answering: Patti R.

Looking for Meetings: 26 12-Step: 4 Spanish Speaking: 2

AA Info./Office: 2 Total Calls: 33

Committee Reports:

Area 12 Liaison: Mike C.: – Not Present. George filled in: Mike is unavailable tonight and has shared about the upcoming District 5 Sponsor/Sponsee Workshop, Saturday November 16, 2024, at Limestone Presbyterian Church, 1:30 PM – 4:30 PM.

Also, the Annual Area 12 Delaware State Convention is Nov. 1st – Nov 3rd, 2024 at Hyatt Place, Dewey Beach, DE. Make reservation as early as possible.

Bridging the Gap: Stas W. / Robyn P.: - Stated that BTG is quiet lately and that he and Robyn have had a difficult time getting into the email account. He stated that this is getting sorted out. He continued that he's getting together with Robyn and the Intergroup Office to put together information packets for distribution.

The difficulty accessing the email account for BTG has resulted from a change in the payment card previously used for this account. The payment card has been updated.

Corrections Commitments: Jack B. / Maureen M.: – Maureen stated she has 12 women signed up for service and 1 more that is awaiting approval through the clearance process.

Jack stated that he has 11 guys signed up for service that's going smoothly. He reported that there's also 5 of the guys signed up for the prison briefing meeting scheduled soon.

CPC/PI: Ken H. – not Present. George filled in: Stated Ken attended a conference to raise awareness to the community last month through the Health & Social Services Dept. – Attack Addiction – held at Peoples Plaza, Newark. There are more facilities organizations covered by this position than just Peoples Plaza. There's a real need for more people to serve in this community. One person cannot do it all.

Finance: Dick H. – Stated he's glad to be back and discussed his recent medical progress and continued recovery. He also stated he needs to stay focused on his recovery and physical therapy rather than the service to the recovery community he's been known for over the years. He is stepping down from the Chair position.

Thank you for your service Dick!

Institutional Commitments: Tim W.: – Opened by saying thank you to those who have signed up for these commitments and have fulfilled them. He continued by stating the importance of these commitments and fulfilling them at the various institutions we're connected with. Further, he mentioned that it's a violation of our Traditions when we don't fulfill our commitments. If a group takes the commitment for the month, they are responsible for that commitment.

Literature: Fara D.: – Reported past events since the August Steering Committee meeting: DEYPAA Conference – Sold 49 pieces of literature for a total of \$532.50 and received \$23.50 in donations.

Future events requesting literature:

- October 5: Unity Speaker Jam - 1:00 PM – 7:00 PM - Patti and Robyn Covering this in Fara's absence
- October 13: Fall Breakfast - 8:00 AM – 11:00 AM
- October 19: okSOBERfest - 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
- November 1 - 3: Area 12 - Annual Conference
- November 16: District 5 Sponsor/Sponsee Workshop - 1:30 PM – 4:30 PM.
- November 29: Long-Timers Meeting

The supply of the following literature items are very low or sold out and suggest they be replenished:

- A Rabbit Walks into a Bar – GV-22
- Our Great Responsibility – B-70
- Emotional Sobriety – GV-17
- Dr. Bob and the Good Oldtimers – B-8

- Prayer and Meditation – GV-44
- Spiritual Awakening – GV-14
- Voices of Women in AA – GV-37
- I am Responsible – GV-16
- As Bill Sees It – B-5
- Living Sober – B-7
- Language of the Heart – GV-11

Fara has emailed the Intergroup office with the above information for their reference.

Newsletter: – Ann Marie B.: – Not Present. Ena filled in; Received a call from Ann Marie who said she's getting over Covid and will not be here tonight. She's also still working on the October Newsletter that will be published soon.

Special Events: Philomena P. – – Not Present. Ena filled in;

- NDIAA Fall Breakfast is coming on October 13th and that the speaker have been confirmed for this event. Doors open at 8:30, Hockessin memorial Hall
- Family Night at Ramsey Farms is planned for Saturday, November 2nd, 5:30 PM to 9:00 PM. Tickets available on-site: - \$12 per person, 5 years and under are free.
- Bingo Night planned for Nov. 9, 2024 at Limestone Presbyterian Church. Prizes of gift cards and a couple of baskets are also planned. Need the following supplies; \$46.94 Amazon, (9) \$20.00 gift cards, and a \$45.00 Grand Prize Movie Basket. Phil asked for the \$271.94 for these purchases. Motion to accept: Accepted and Seconded.
- Long Timers Meeting is planned for Friday, Nov. 29, 2024. There will be 3 speakers with 25 years or more and will speak for 15-20 minutes each. Speakers scheduled: Bill C., Jay L., David S.

Unity: Anthony B. / Carly B. – Anthony opened with the 3 Legacies Annual Speaker Jam is scheduled for this Saturday, October 5th, 1:00 PM – 7:00 PM. This is a Free Event. 6 Speakers, free food, coffee, snacks, potluck, 50/50 raffle, giveaways and fellowship. Limestone Presbyterian Church.

Web Chair: Laura D. – Not Present. No Report

Old Business: None mentioned.

New Business: George M. – The Steering Committee is in pursuit of receiving 2025 program and committee budgets.

Kyle: DEYPAA held its first ever young people's convention in September, it was a great success. Also, there are many upcoming DEYPAA Events. Visit the DEYPAA.org Website.

Lords Prayer/Adjourn: 7:45 P.M.